



Moerewa School

TE KARERE O TE KURA

12 February 2020

Kia ora Koutou,

Welcome back to a new year, a new decade. As you all know Jason left last year to pursue his dream of becoming a builder. I hear that he is enjoying what he loves to do best, and that is working with his hands to design and create masterpieces. We wish him well in his new journey.

First week back for many of our students was absolutely fabulous! A powhiri was held to welcome our newest staff member, Juanita Brown. Juanita has whanau connections here in Moerewa and has actually "come home". Juanita is teaching years 5-7 in room 5, she brings with her many skills which I believe will benefit our students, whanau and staff immensely.

Keep an eye on our facebook page for updates, make contact with your child's classroom teachers if clarification is required for anything, or make a time to call in and see me if there is something that requires a more in-depth conversation.

Enjoy your week.

Nga Mihi,
Deborah Nolan
Acting Principal

School Beach Trip this Friday 14th Feb.

On Friday our school will travel to Tii beach in Paihia. The purpose of the haraenga is to develop relationships between our students, staff and whanau.

We will be travelling by bus, leaving school at 9.30 am and returning to school no later than 2.20 pm. Students can arrive at school in mufti but please make sure they have the following items.

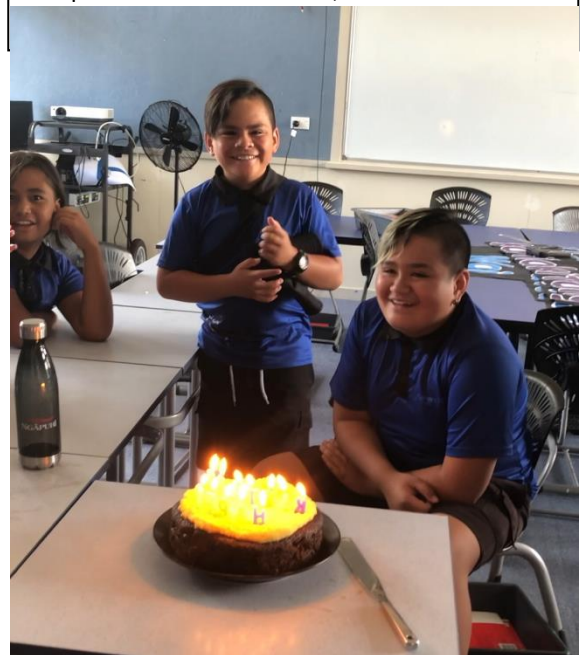
- A hat
- A drink bottle
- Lunch
- Togs, towel and a change of clothes
- Something to put their wet clothes into.
- The school will provide sunblock, milk and fruit.

To ensure we are responsible in taking care of our students near water and in the water, it is really important that we ask for whanau support. Offers of help with the supervision of our tamariki, in and around water will be greatly appreciated. Please note there will be plenty of room in the buses.

Pool Closed.

Unfortunately due to the current water shortage we are unable to run our school pool. The amount of water we need to keep it operating is well above council approval. We will let you know once it reopens, hopefully not too far away.

Start of term 1 and Kopunui has already celebrated the 11th birthday of Traeh-John Cooper. Ra whanau e Traeh, thanks for the cake



Newsletter dates for this term.

We aim to put out a newsletter on each of the following dates. 12 February, 11 March and 1 April.

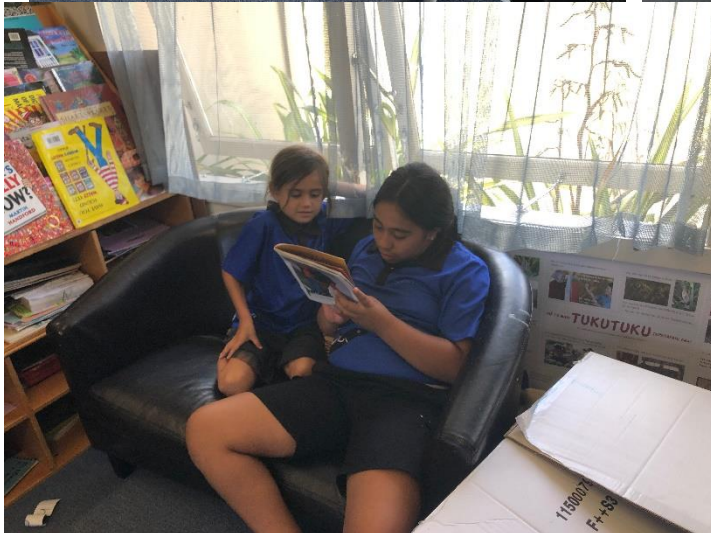
Individual classrooms may put out others from time to time. Also don't forget to check out our facebook page or check the website for copies of newsletters.



Powhiri first day of school for our new teacher and students. Naumai haere mai.



Whanau Kopunui and their buddy reading time. Tuakana me te Teina, Teina me te tuakana. Nga Hua o te whanau. "Fruits of the whanau"



What is Keeping Ourselves Safe?

Keeping Ourselves Safe (KOS) consists of a comprehensive range of child protection resources to help students at all levels of schooling learn and apply a range of safety skills that they can use when interacting with others.

There is a whanau hui on Tuesday 18th February from 4:30pm to 5:30pm. As part of the hui we will be informing whanau about the Keeping Ourselves Safe programme that will involve all students. Constable Hoani Hippolite will be doing a presentation at the hui and whanau are encouraged to ask questions.

Absenteeism:

Absentee children are a real concern. We intend to get on top of this!

Moerewa School is part of "Rock On", a combined truancy initiative in the Bay area, which help us in our effort to keep on top of attendance. As part of this Mrs Palmer will be ringing or texting caregivers everyday your child is absent without explanation. It is very important that you ring (08006637392 or 4041251) or text (021 08231476) to explain absences, remembering that you must give a valid reason to avoid children being recorded as truant. Constant or repeated absenteeism will be reported and followed up. With 'Rock On' you get two warning letters from school before the third is delivered to the home by Police Youth Officer (as in our Rock On agreement. We also use the Ministry of Education Attendance service when necessary.

Aims of KOS



To teach children a range of **safe practices** that they can use when interacting with other people.

To encourage children who have been, or are being abused, to **seek help**.

To contribute to an **overall community prevention** programme by making parents and teachers more aware of their responsibilities to help children avoid abuse.

Some Housekeeping. (aka, the Boring but Important Stuff, so our office can run smoothly)

Stationery. If you haven't received a stationery list yet please ask you child to collect one from the office. We have everything they need here.

Class sets. As a part of the stationery list we have a \$10 fee for class sets. This is to help keep costs down for each child but buys items such as glue sticks, colouring pencils etc that are shared in class. All children need to pay the class set fee.

Tech fees: There is a \$20 technology fee for year 7 and 8 pupils as they attend workshop classes with a

take home component. Please pay this as soon as possible.

Uniform. Most sizes are available though we do run out of some of the middle range of sizes. Please be aware that sometimes there is a wait.

Lunches: Lunches are ordered through the school office between 8.15am and 8.45am daily. We purchase our lunches from Pure Bliss Café. This café will be changing hands soon but we don't envisage any problems with lunch orders. Maybe an exciting new menu!

Tuckshop: Open at interval only. Flavoured Milk now \$1.20, Juicies \$1, Milk Biscuits \$1, Chips \$1.50.

Changed address / phone number?

Please contact us at the office to update any details. It is so important that we can contact caregivers in an emergency.

Bus Children: If children are changing from their regular routine and not catching the bus then we require a note from whanau first, otherwise we will expect them to catch the bus as per normal.

Messages for children: If you need to get a message to your children (especially if it is about where they are to go after school) make sure to ring prior to 1pm. Later messages may not get delivered in time.

Staff 2020

Acting Principal: Debbie Nolan

Deputy Principal Debbie Nolan

Team Leaders

Acting Senior Teacher Matariki / Senco Meriana Lipsham

Senior Teacher Marama Juanita Brown

Senior Teacher Kopunui Margie Mathews

Senior Teacher Kopu Dot Bolous

Teachers:

Matariki Whanau: Room 2 Whaea Karen Williams Y1

Room 4 Whaea Honey Tautari Y2-4

Room 6 Whaea Aggie Tipene Y5-7

Marama Whanau: Room 5 Whaea Juanita Brown Y5-7

Room 3 Whaea Sophie Brown Y2-4

Room 7 Whaea Raewyn Davis Y8-10

Kopunui Whanau (immersion):

Room 8 Whaea Margie Mathews Y5-8

Room 9 Whaea Anita Jones (Rm9) Y1-4

Kopu Whanau: Food Technology Teacher: Whaea Dot Bolous

Workshop Design Tech: Matua Ian Edwards

Release & Specialist Teachers Whaea Lily Allsopp

Whaea Josie Thompson

Support Staff

Teacher Aides: Myrene King Debra Marsh Betty Reihana

Sue Williams Sam Kemp Diane Beazley

Lauren Tana

Office Manager: Jayne Barnett

Administration Assistant: Jean Palmer

Caretaker: Mike Scott

Gardener: Wylie Keretene

Resource Teacher of Maori : Huru Tipene

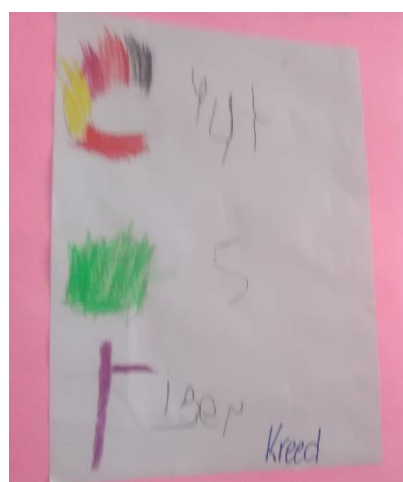
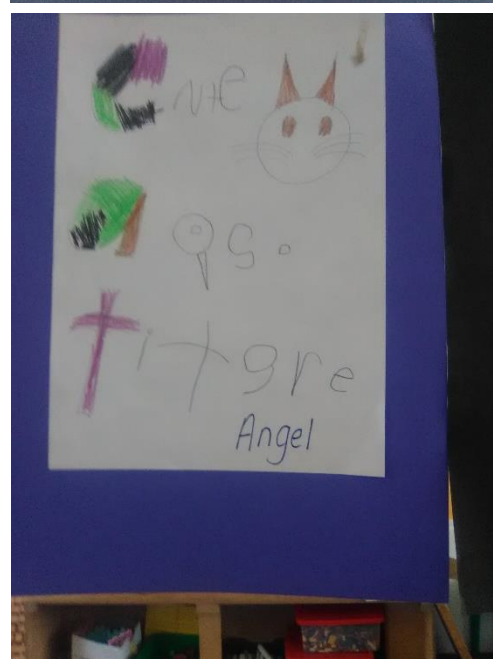
Oscar Supervisor: Sue Williams

Oscar Assistant: Betty Reihana

SWIS (Social Worker in Schools) Tammy Nathan

Room 2 Acrostic Poems

We have been learning how to create an acrostic poem. We had to think and talk about words that started with the letter.



INTRODUCING ROOM 4 2020

Kia ora Whanau. We are the awesome students and teacher in Room 4 this year.

The other day we went to show our new student around the school. We ended up at the plum trees.



Whaea Hon showed us how to pick the good plums off the ground and not from the tree. Then Whaea shook the tree and some plums fell. We picked some and ate them.

Plums are:

plum jam tasty soft red inside

red juicy sour have a stalk sweet

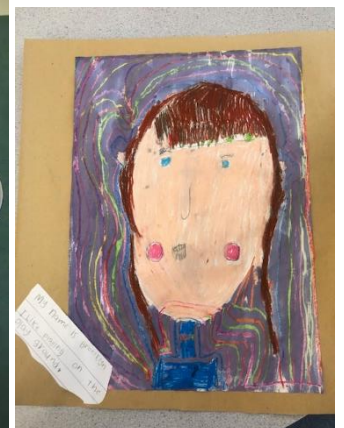
grow on a tree hard squishy plum sauce

can give you a sore puku Can be different colours

yummy rotten smooth has a seed inside

Birds and possums like them too.

Room 3 engaged in learning: Art Work. Self Portraits.



Breakfast Club NEW TIME

- School Days 8am to 8.30am OSCAR building

OSCAR AFTERSCHOOL

- School Days 3pm to 5pm FEES: \$5 a day per child

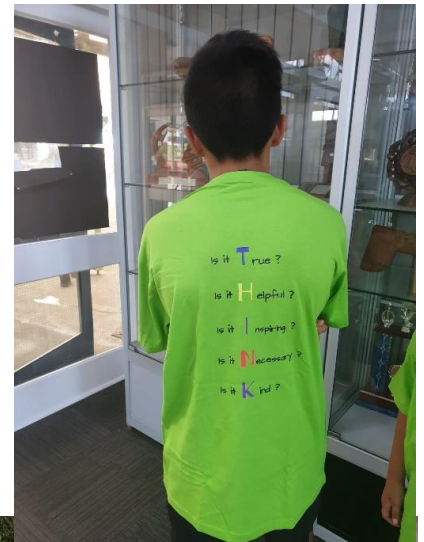
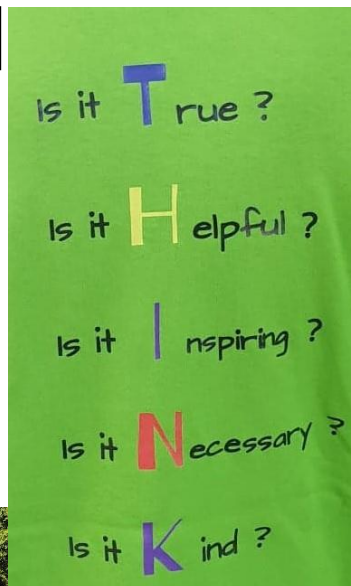
No Charge for non-attendance.

WINZ available (check with Oscar Staff to see if you are eligible).

REMINDER: 2020 Enrolment Forms need to be completed and returned.



New OSCAR T Shirts



OSCAR Holiday Programme



Butler's Point Whaling Museum



HOLIDAY PROGRAM: Awesome week last December, activities at school then finished off with a camp at Lonsdale Park. Day visits to Matauri Bay we saw the Rainbow Warrior Memorial. A visit to Butler's Point Whaling Museum and gardens. Fantastic place with local history and beautiful scenery.

BIG THANKS TO OUR WHANAU HELPERS AND MOERewa SCHOOL FOR YOUR SUPPORT.



MOERewa JUNIOR RUGBY MUSTER 2020

Tuesday 04th, 11th & 18th February

Time: 5.30pm

Simpson Park Moerewa

For children in all age grades—come along and check out how much fun playing rugby can be!

Any enquiries please contact:

*Simmy 021 846 240, Lizzie 021 172 3421 or Charn
021 175 0840*

We also need amazing adults to support these teams so please come along and share your skills!

16 Feb 2020

In Aid Of
**BAY OF ISLANDS
ANIMAL RESCUE**
"Never Ending Story"

Bark in the Park

- Bouncy Castles
- Food & Stalls
- Talk Tent
- Police Dog Demo
- Dog Competitions
- Working Dogs Demo

- Agility & Obedience Demo
- Dog Cool Off Zone
- Ask the Vet
- Professional Advice
- Puparazzi and MORE ...

spot prizes

CHILDREN UNDER 13 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT
DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH AND UNDER CONTROL AT ALL TIMES
ALL DOGS MUST BE VACCINATED

United Kawakawa Rugby Club, Kawakawa, SH11
10.00 am - 4.00 pm NO EFTPOS