



# Moerewa School

## Kura Kōrero

1 September 2023

Tena tatou e te whanau!

As the Term 3 begins to wind down we are at the business end of the year!

### LEARNING

We have had significant shifts in our school wide reading data this term! We have also implemented our Toe by Toe reading programme this year which is managed by our amazing Pouwhirinaki and compliments the classroom reading programme.

### COMMUNITY

**DOGS!!** We have had concerns about roaming dogs, aggressive dogs and dogs turning up to school uninvited! As a school we are concerned about the safety of our tamariki having safe passage to and from school each day. We will be reporting incidences of roaming and threatening dogs to Animal Control. If you have concerns about dogs you can contact Animal Control on **0800 920 029** or visit the following link and make a request for service. <https://www.fndc.govt.nz/Our-services/Dogs-and-cats>. We will not tolerate roaming and aggressive dogs threatening the safety of our tamariki.

### WELLBEING

Hauora Hub is a regular feature each month with the lovely Khyla Rupapera from the Ngati Hine Health Trust coming in to check our tamariki for sore throats and general health checks. We also have our Public Health Nurse, Kate Townsend visit each fortnight. Sore throats matter whanau! **15-25% of sore throats are caused by the Strep A.** Health advice for those who have tested positive for Strep A. They should not attend school for 24 hours after starting the first course of antibiotics. This will help prevent the infection spreading to other people. We offer throat swabbing at school through our Health Nurses.

#### Last Day of Term

Teacher only day will be on the last day of Term 3 – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of September 2023. Last day for pupils will be Thursday 21 September.

Term 4 starts Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October.

### BOARD PARENT BY-ELECTION

#### Moerewa School Board Parent By Election 2023

##### Nomination round

Our school will be undertaking a parent by election for **1 School Board vacancy**. This process will start with the issuing of nomination papers to our caregiver community by **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023**.

We have employed CES to undertake the election process on our behalf. This year with legislative change, our nomination form and full instruction on how to place your nomination into our own School's Election website will be emailed to you if we have your email address in our database or you will receive it by post if we don't have your email in our database.

Nomination papers will also be available at the school office. The school will send those on to CES for processing upon receipt from candidates.

**Nominations close on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 12 noon.**

We look forward to your participation in this process.

Wayne Jamieson

Returning Officer

CES

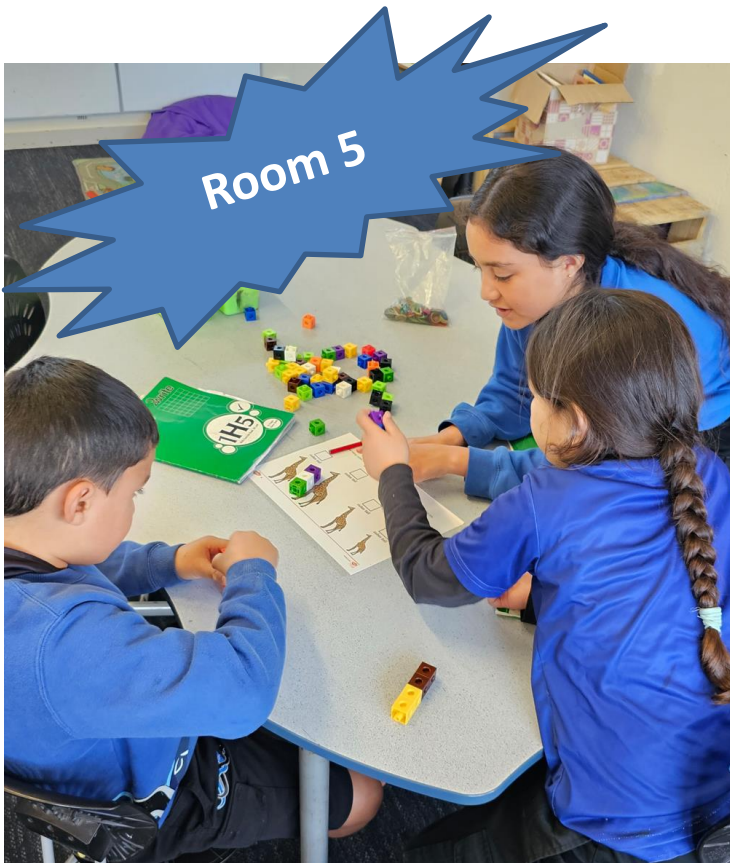
### BEACH TO BUSH COOK-OFF!

In Week 9 we have our annual inter-whanau cook-off between Tere Awatea, Taumarere, Otiria & Waiharakeke. Who will take out the competition this year? Participants are required to use key ingredients from the moana, ngahere or the awa. They will receive support from their Pouwhirinaki.



Some of the matariki art in office hallway.





Collaboration taking place in room 5 to problem solve, and come to an agreement with a math problem I had given them. Not everyone agreed as their conversations were loud and very robust!

Determination and working together as a team was the best outcome for all concerned. Once their answers were checked, everyone shared the pure joy of getting it right! The look on their faces, said it all. Great work room 5. 🙌







We had a great time during our whanau technology unit which focused on smoking kai, especially fish and kutai. Smoking kai can indeed add a delicious smokey flavour to the kai making it tasty and yummy. The process involves exposing the food to smoke from burning wood (manuka) which impacts a unique flavour to the kai and also helps to preserve it. Smoking kai is a traditional way of preserving food which is still practiced today. Sharing kai is a wonderful way of bringing people together and sharing memorable moments.



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## TERM 3 KAUPAPA - NGA WHETŪ O MATARIKI

This term we have been learning lots about *Nga whetū o Matariki*. Students have been looking at the attributes of each whetū, making connections to their own attributes and strengths and those of their whanau.

Students have been have been researching the whakapapa of *Nga whetū o Matariki* and have also learned and recited karakia associated with their chosen whetū. Towards the end of this unit of mahi, students will participate in our annual a *cook-off*, aptly named, *Beach to Bush*. Each Whanau are tasked with the challenge of foraging ingredients from either the moana, the ngahere or the awa to include in their signature dish. Each whanau will put forward 4 students to represent their whanau, prepare and cook a meal/dish to be judged!

As Term 4 approaches, Whanau Waiharakeke will continue to participate in our Year 8 Hononga alongside other Year 8 students from local schools. Our next hononga is on Wednesday 7 September at Kawakawa Primary School. As a roopu we attended the High School Musical at BOIC recently. It was an awesome opportunity to see some of our old Moerewa School students performing!

Whaea Hope Mauri has joined our kura and is doing some relief work at our school. We are lucky to have her join us for the remainder of the year and she will be teaching regularly in Room 7 until the end of Term 3.

