



Lower Moutere School



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Dear Parents and whanau of Lower Moutere School –

1 September 2022

Thanks for your fantastic support for Daffodil Day. Collectively, we raised \$650 to donate to Nelson/Tasman Cancer Society. That is brilliant. Our thoughts go out to the families and schools in the Nelson region, who have been hit particularly hard with the weather event last week.

PARENTS – you're welcome!

At the end of each day, a number of parents are waiting outside the school grounds. Please know that you are most welcome to come into the school grounds and wait at one of the many picnic tables! It is also a good chance to pop into a classroom and see the work that has been happening too! While all staff are on duty for the first 20 minutes, your child would happily celebrate some of their achievements with you!

BOARD ELECTIONS

An update on the elections process – by now, all families will have had posted to them, the voting papers for our next school board. If you have not yet received your papers, please advise Sue in the office. Sue is our Returning Officer, and she will be able to help. Please note that more than one voting paper can be returned in one envelope; the box for these is placed inside the school office, or you can return them by post.



Property works

Next week, we start the process of removing all fluorescent lighting in the school and replacing these with LED lights. We are also installing acoustic panels in classrooms, and for high pitched roof rooms, increasing the insulation. This will mean that for some classes, they will be spending a day in the hall!

Next Wednesday, the pool will be sand blasted so that will create a significant amount of dust in that area ... in case you're wondering what is happening! This will lead us into painting the pool and installing fittings for lane ropes.

WINTER TOURNAMENT

Well done to the Year 5 & 6 students last week, who enjoyed a great day in Motueka with the Winter Tournament. Unfortunately, the hockey players were unable to head across to Richmond that day ... and the Year 7 & 8 had theirs cancelled.

Reports back from the Rugby, Netball and Soccer were ... *'the LMS students were fantastic!', 'boy they played well and are such supportive team mates'* and from some of our seniors who managed teams, *'they are really well organised and work so well together.'*

When we reflect on our school values and vision – "To be the BEST that WE can be" and respectful citizens, it is awesome news to hear that this is happening when our school is on show! Many thanks!

LEOTC (Learning Outside the Classroom)

We are starting to turn our attention towards school camps, with proposals sitting with the Board, along with the planning documents. Due to the weather event across the top of the South, the planned trip into Mistletoe Bay has been cancelled – and we are seeking a new venue. The dates for this will remain the same.

Camps are so incredibly beneficial for students and at Lower Moutere School, we do ensure that there is a graduated approach towards these. In Year 4, we plan a 1 night stayover at school, staying in tents. Years 5 & 6 have this extended to 2 nights with Year 7 & 8 students having longer. Cost is a big consideration for us when planning and we work hard to juggle experiences with cost. Camps support students in their journey of growth – independence, tolerance and respect for others, and gives us all a chance to 'see each other in a new light'. We are so incredibly lucky to have the surrounds that we do, and our school works hard to make the most of what is on offer!



Thanks Mrs Fisher & Mrs Drummond

A big thanks and well done firstly, to our teacher trainee, Tanya Fisher. Tanya has now finished her last placement before graduating from Teachers College ... and having a baby too! Secondly, we said farewell to Jess Drummond, who is expecting her third child very soon too! Jess looked after the teacher release across the school. To both ladies, we wish them and their families, all the very best with the soon to be arriving babies! We welcome Becky Tucker to our school, who is our new Teacher Release teacher!



Heads up ... School photos are coming!

School photos are booked in for WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER.

Reading Together

Lower Moutere School is again, running the Reading Together programme for families in our junior school. *Reading Together* is a research-based workshop programme designed to provide parents with tips and strategies to support their children more effectively as they learn to read. One of the things that really helps children to become good readers is support from home. The *Reading Together* workshops show parents how best to do this. Reading is an important part of children's education. The programme consists of four workshops, each approximately one hour long. A big thanks to Mrs Sinclair and Mrs Matthewson, who run this in our school. Thanks too, to the parents who have signed up for this!

**Help keep our
Children safe
Please keep this gate
closed at all times**

Just a reminder for everyone to please help us to keep our children safe by closing the school gates at all times. If you have to collect you child/children during the school day please ensure the gates are closed when you leave. Many thanks.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

We wish all the Father's/Dads a very Happy Father's Day on Sunday. What every you are doing to celebrate, out for lunch, a day shopping, day at the beach, walk in the Abel Tasman Park or catching up with Netflix, have a lovely day!



Thanks for supporting our school!
Chris Bascand – Principal (JP)



SEPTEMBER	
Monday 5	Conservation Week
Tuesday 6 & 20	Reading Together - Room 3
Wednesday 21	School Photos
Thursday 22	Board Meeting
Friday 30	Last day of Term 3
OCTOBER	
Monday 17	First day of Term 4
Mon 18 - 21	Year 7 & 8 Camp
Monday 24	Labour Day
Tuesday 25	Reading Together
Thursday 27	Board Meeting
Mon 31 - 2 Nov	Education Review Office visits
NOVEMBER	
Friday 4	Gumboot Friday - wear your gumboots to school!
Monday 7 - 9	Year 5 & 6 Camp
Wednesday 16	Top Team Day for Year 7 & 8's across district
Thursday 24	Board Meeting
DECEMBER	
Wednesday 14	Last day of Term 4

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DISABILITY SWIM CLINIC

Nelson Marlborough Region

Date: Saturday 3rd September
Location: Richmond Aquatic Centre
Ages: 8+

Disability types: Intellectual, invisible, hearing, brain injury, vision, short stature, and various physical impairments.

What to expect: Meeting new people and time in the pool!

All levels of water experience are welcome!

For inquiries please phone / text 022 456 9793

5 Tips to Reduce Sugar



-  Add fresh fruit and cinnamon to cereal instead of sugar
Weetbix, corn-flakes, rice bubbles and porridge are good options
-  Swap out jam, honey and nutella for marmite, peanut butter or banana
-  Choose low sugar snacks between meals. Cheese, crackers, fruit and vegetables
-  Cut back sugar in home baking by half or more
-  Drink water or milk instead of juice, fizzy or flavoured milk

Nelson Marlborough Community Oral Health Service
Phone: 0800 825 583

SUPPORT UKRAINE

ART AUCTION

to support humanitarian efforts in Ukraine

POSTPONED: NEW DATE
Thursday, 6 October 6pm @ NCMA

25 August
6pm
at NCMA

Art by local artists • Live music performances • Drinks and nibbles



THE WAKATU DANCE THEATRE
PRESENTS

NEW DATES!

9 SEPTEMBER | 7PM
10 SEPTEMBER | 1.30PM, 7PM

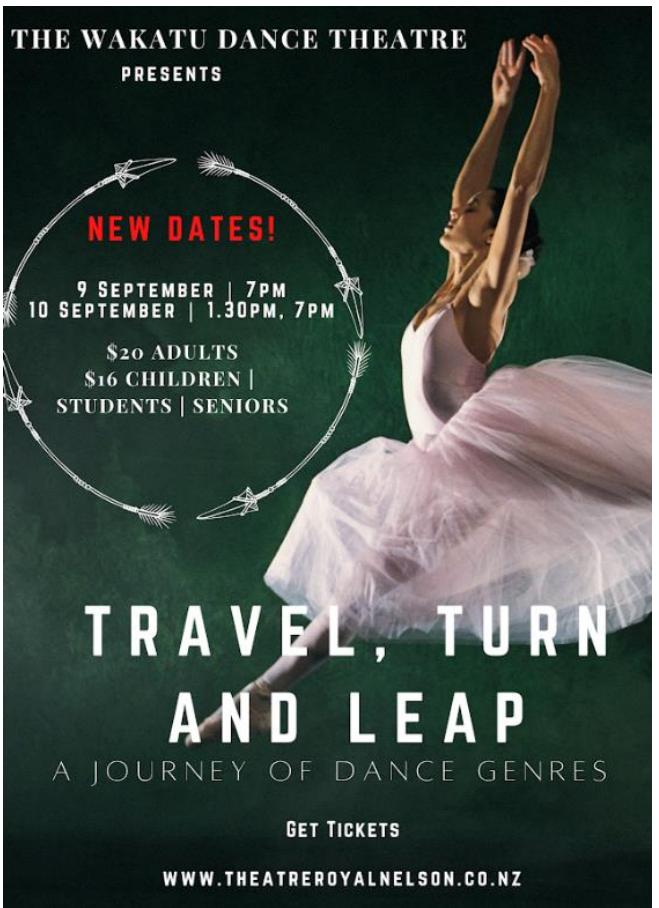
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WEDNESDAYS 4-5PM FROM OCT 19TH
MOUTERE HILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE
\$25 PER PLAYER FOR TERM 4

FOR YEARS 1-8

COACHING & EQUIPMENT PROVIDED -
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