

Kia ora to families and friends of Lower Moutere School –

16 February 2024

The cooler mornings are creeping in – as I travel down the Moutere Valley in the mornings, there are a few trees now starting to change colour ... it seems a bit early really!

Thanks for helping our students get back into the routine of school again – everyone is happy to be back into the rhythm of school again - focused on great learning! That's awesome!!

## HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR SCHOOL!

- The new sandpit is fantastic! Thanks, Casey Fordyce, for building this for us. The next addition to this is a water tank and pump ... watch this space! Apologies ahead of time if uniforms get a bit mucky – all in the name of creative play!
- Sports teams are starting to get sorted. Registrations are out for Touch Rugby and Ki o Rahi.
- Our Janszoon team are off on their first weekend adventure this year. Our Janszoon ambassadors, Cordt, TK, Mateo and Liam are heading to Totaranui for their summer retreat! Thanks Mr Fitz who goes along to support them with this!
- As a result of the community consultation, the school has quickly acted on the following initiatives ...
  - Our school community requested greater exposure to music and the chance to learn an instrument. The school has purchased a class set of ukuleles and keyboards. Room 2 is our current music space, and Kathy is now teaching each class one hour per fortnight, music!
  - Our school community asked for the possibility of more vege gardens at school and students having the chance to be more involved in growing vegetables. Thanks to Bunnings Richmond and Motueka Contracting, this has now happened too!
  - Your thoughts about how our school can continue to 'be the best it can be' are really valuable and we appreciate the time taken by many of our families to talk to us and share ideas!

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES news

The school Board will meet for the first time next week.

As the school year starts, it is a good time to remind our community of who is on the Board and the roles. We thank the following members for taking on the following roles:

**Board Chair – Presiding Member** - Nellie Bell, **Deputy Chair Presiding Member** – Daisy Cole, **School Finances** – Eric Gardner and **Staff Representative** – Mike Lynch. Other members of the Board are: Tamanui Uerata, Casey Fordyce, Rachel Parkins and Heather Baigent.

## School gates

We have a number of younger students who are known to see a gate and will head out onto the road. Keeping the gates closed is vitally important to their safety. If you go through a gate, we ask that you check that it closes behind you. We have now painted **RED** lines inside the grounds near each exit. We are now teaching students to wait behind these lines before exiting the school. This is an important learning for many of our younger students. Thanks for your on-going support with this.





## LMS Try-athlon!

Our school try-athlon is coming up really soon! Students have started preparing for this at school. We look forward to having a great event held here at school on Friday 1 March.

Details for the event are as follows:

9:00am start with Year 4 & 5 students, followed by Years 1,2,3 and finally Year 6, 7 & 8s.

We are planning a practice on 29<sup>th</sup> February (Thursday) for everyone. Therefore, if bikes and helmets could be brought to school on Thursday for the practice. The bikes will be kept at school, locked in classrooms overnight and brought out again for the Friday event. Please make sure children have togs on these days. A good idea is for students to wear their togs under uniforms for ease of changing. Footwear is essential for cycling! Many thanks!

## School swimming programme!

With the district swimming champs approaching (Wednesday 13 March), the school pool will close on the Friday of that same week (Friday 15 March).

A special thanks to the Tasman District Council who donate \$1000 towards the running costs of our pool and to all the users over the holidays who make use of this great asset!

### Whats ahead of us this term...

Board meeting	Thursday 22 February	Staffroom	-
LMS Try-athlon	Friday 1 March	School grounds	All students
LMS Swim champs	Monday 4 March	School pool	All students
Life Education	4 – 8 March	Harolds van	All students
Mana Whaitake	Tuesday 5 March	Kaiteriteri	Senior students
Motueka Swim champs	Wednesday 13 March	Motueka High	Swim finalists
Year 7 / 8 immunisation	Thursday 21 March	School	All Y7 / 8
Board meeting	Thursday 28 March	Staffroom	-
Easter break	Thursday 29 March – 2 April	-	School closed
Last day term 1	Friday 12 April		
First day term 2	Monday 29 April		
<b>TEACHER ONLY DAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY 4 JUNE</b>		<b>All schools – Motueka district</b>



### SCHOOL PROCEDURE REVIEW

At Lower Mouere we use SchoolDocs to maintain a comprehensive, up-to-date set of policies and procedures. These policies and procedures follow guidelines and legislation and best practice and have been tailored for our school. Staff and our school community all have access to SchoolDocs, which can be done by going to <https://www.schooldocs.co.nz/> and searching Lower Mouere School. Once you are logged in you can use quick links under the 'parents and whānau tab' on the left-hand side.

Throughout the year we will advise you via our newsletter what policies are up for review.

The community user name is: lowermouere The community password is: respectful

Currently, the procedure that is being reviewed is...

- Community Conduct expectations
- Parent involvement
- Communicating with parents

Thanks for your support for Lower Mouere School!

Chris Bascand (JP) Principal

**Absentee Messages** - Please notify the school of your child's absence before the start of school each day.

**Please note:** When texting the school cellphone please include your name, so that we know who the message is from, as we do not have contacts stored on this phone.

**Ph:** 526 7775 or **Txt:** 027 339 8801

Please provide the following details: Your child's name, room number and reason for absence – thanks!





How can I help my child **SUCCEED** in school?

Stay involved and feel free to contact your child's teacher with any questions or concerns.

Do not talk negatively about your child's teacher or school.

Make sure your child is getting plenty of sleep and is ready for school each day.

Help your child with his/her homework every night.

Ask your children about school and encourage them to talk about their day.

Read with your child every night.

Teach your children to be responsible for their actions and their schoolwork.

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AT WILLOW BANK HERITAGE VILLAGE





**SUNDAY MARCH 3RD 10AM - 3PM**

1KM SOUTH OF WAKEFIELD

Willow Bank Heritage Village continues the "Children's Suitcase Market"

Each child brings a suitcase and sells toys etc out of it. They can set up for however long they like, and can just pack up when they've had enough. No need to book.

**THIS MONTH EVERYONE WHO HAS A STALL GETS A FREE ICECREAM!**

The Suitcase Market will be a part of many other features and activities we have on offer at our Open Days. Follow our event on Facebook for more info.

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**OPEN DAY**  
MARCH 3

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1KM SOUTH OF WAKEFIELD  
WAKEFIELD N.Z.

**ENTRY FEE:**  
\$7 PER ADULT (AGES 18+)  
\$3 PER CHILD

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**SUNDAY 10AM - 3PM  
MARCH 3RD**

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## 2024 Nelson Hockey Junior Program I

Thursday 22nd February to 28th March 2024 - Saxton Field Hockey Turfs

Register online at [www.nelsonhockey.org.nz](http://www.nelsonhockey.org.nz)

- Kindy Sticks:**  
 3 & 4 years old, fun fundamental skill games  
 3.45pm - 4.30pm  
 \$40 for six week program
- Fun Sticks:**  
 5 & 6 years old, learn the basics of hockey, some fun games  
 3.45pm - 4.30pm  
 \$40 for six week program
- Mini Sticks:**  
 6 to 8 year old, skill development and game  
 4.30pm - 5.30pm  
 \$45 for six week program.
- Kiwi Sticks:**  
 9 to 13 year old, skill development and game  
 5.30pm - 6.30pm  
 \$50 for six week program
- Please make payment using child's name as reference to:  
 03-1354-0452914-16
- Registration spaces are limited and will close 15th February



Regional Development Manager Daniel Hobbs  
 rdm@nelsonhockey.org.nz or phone - 03-5479988



## 2024 Term 1 - Year 7+8 Social League

Six week program Monday 19th February to 25th March 2024

4:00pm to 5:00pm - Saxton Field Hockey Turfs

- \$30 per player**
- Six a side, half turf, 20 minute games
- We are hoping to have enough teams enter to play twice per day
- Teams can enter as girls, boys or mixed.
- Equipment provided by Nelson Hockey
- Play with your mates or your school.
- Direct debit with reference of 'name' and 'youth' to:  
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- Registrations close:  
 12:00pm, Thursday 15th February
- For further details, contact:  
 Daniel Hobbs  
 rdm@nelsonhockey.org.nz



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**Special Promotion - For schools that register a FULL TEAM, we will be offering a 50% discount per child**





## UPPER MOUTERE FIRE BRIGADE

### COMMUNITY AWARENESS NIGHT

Monday 19th February  
Moutere Hills Community Centre  
6 - 8pm

**COME JOIN US FOR:**

- sausage sizzle
- kids fire engine rides
- try your hand at putting water on our 'fire' images
- fire safety education
- find out how to become a volunteer

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SIGN IN 9.30-11am | RACE STARTS 11.30am

EACH LAP APPROX 1KM	1 LAP - Kids, Family Fun, Open	2 LAPS - Open	3 LAPS - Open
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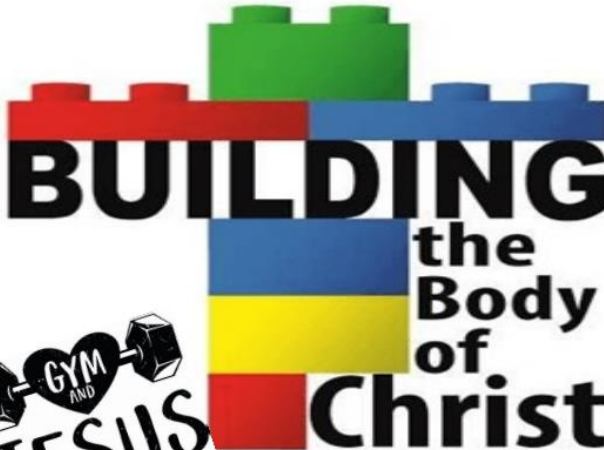
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