

23 July 2024

Dear Parents and whanau of Lower Moutere School -



Welcome to term 3! The break must have been filled with many exciting times for our families. It has been magic hearing the stories of adventures that have spanned from Cambridge in the north right down to collecting stones at Gemstone Bay in the deep south – and travels everywhere in between too! I also hope that the break has served as a good 'circuit breaker' for all the bugs and viruses going around, which was hitting us hard towards the end of term!

We extend a warm welcome to our school, to the new families that have joined us this term! We trust that you will enjoy being a part of the Lower Moutere team!

This is just a quick 'hi' from us all at the school and to let you know about the happenings this term!

#### BREAKFAST CLUB! Tuesday & Thursday!

Thanks to the senior students who organise and run the Breakfast Club each Tuesday and Thursday morning! Students have the choice of WeetBix, Ricies or Cornies ... plus a spoonful of peaches!





#### SCHOOL BUS

A reminder to students who travel from Motueka, or other areas outside of our school bus zone, school bus fees are due by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August. The fees are \$40 per student or \$75 per family – which will pay for your 'bus pass'. Please see Sue in the office if you have any queries.

#### SCHOOL UNIFORM

The school uniform is now the winter uniform. Students may wear black fleece pants or shorts. If they are wearing thermals under their tops, please ensure that this is either black or dark blue. We are seeing a few variations come creeping in with the uniform, including hoodies – it is appreciated if we could stick to the uniform that the school has – thanks.

#### School policy & procedures

All policies and procedures for our school can be located on SchoolDocs – <u>www.schooldocs.co.nz</u> Our log-in is Lower Moutere and password – <u>respectful</u>. The home page will have a 'review' section, should parents wish to view what is currently being reviewed, and give feedback. If you wish to view any school policy or procedure, you will find them all on this website.



This term, we are having an integrated theme called, "Going for Gold!"



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This is presented through a Social Sciences and Physical Education lens, with the aim to support and encourage our students and wider community to understand and continue to experience the values and intentions of the Olympics. To give strength to this, we integrate other subject areas into this theme.

- Visual Arts Sculptures and other visual arts that link with the Olympic games
- Physical Education has a focus on readiness for the Winter Sports competition
- Writing has a focus on Folk Tales and Fantasy
- Our values focus is on 'By building a better world through sport, we learn the value of each other"

#### Parent Interviews/whanau connections - week 2

Yesterday, Whanau connect requests were sent home. These need to be returned to your child's teacher by tomorrow please, so that we can allocate times on Friday. This information will be in school bags! Interview nights are TUESDAY 30 July (3.30 – 5.30) and THURSDAY 1 AUGUST (3.30 – 7.30). If you have not yet had this notice, please contact the office!



#### Speed outside schools and local area

Some time ago, a number of students presented to the Tasman District Council, there concerns and worries about cycling to school, the speed of vehicles and how they felt as

cyclists in general. This presentation has really prompted the Council to listen and act – resulting in the changes of the cycleway outside the Lower Moutere Store, some sealing work that is yet to be completed (it is in the plan!) and then recently, changes to the speed around the school. As of yesterday, the following communication has been received by the school on this work....

The recommended limits would see School Road 60km with a 30 km variable extended to 525m from Main Road Lower Moutere intersection and Main Road Lower Moutere 60km with a 30 km variable 150m N of Northern gate to 150m S of Southern gate, 60km area from 150m S Southern gate to Hursthouse Road. If this recommendation is accepted, the changes would come into effect from 2025.

#### Hamper raffle!

If you are near the school office, pop in and see the amazing hamper raffle that is in there! Tickets are available through any of our Year 5 or 6 students, at \$2 each – or you can buy one at the office! Proceeds go towards the school camp, happening in 5 weeks time!

The Richmond Mall "Vote for your School" promotion is drawing to an end ... yesterday a HUGE shoe box full of coupons, apple stickers and receipts was put into our school box ... we can now just cross our fingers and see what the final result is! A big thanks to so many of you who were able to rustle up all sorts of support from all corners of the region! I'm sure we deserve something from this great effort!!



SAUSAGE SIZZLES ... will be returning this term, with the first being THIS FRIDAY 26 JULY! \$2 each!

Many thanks for your support of our school and our students! Here's to a great term ahead!

Chris Bascand – Principal (JP)











**Upcoming Events** 

JULY / AUGUST	
Tuesday 30	Parent Interviews
Thursday 1 Aug	Parent Interviews
Tuesday 6	Year 7 & 8 Quiz evening - Sprig & Fern - Motueka
Wednesday 21 - Friday 23	Year 5 & 6 camp - Teapot Valley
Thursday 22	Board meeting
Friday 30	Daffodil Day
SEPTEMBER	
Thursday 12	Dental van arrives
Friday 13	School Photos
Thursday 19	Board meeting
Friday 27	Last day of Term 3
OCTOBER	
Monday 14	First day of Term 4
Tuesday 15 – Friday 18	Year 7 & 8 camp to Totaranui
Monday 28	Labour Day
NOVEMBER	
Thursday 7	Board meeting
Monday 11	Motueka Schools Kahui Ako TEACHER ONLY DAY
Tuesday 19 & Wednesday 20	Interschools Athletics Day 1 - 8-10 year olds then
	Day 2, 11-13 year olds.
Thursday 28	Board meeting
DECEMBER	
Wednesday 11	End of year concert and Year 8 farewells
Thursday 12	Last day of school



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### MOTUEKA HIGH SCHOOL

invites Year 8 students, their parents/caregivers to our

# **Open Evening**

Wednesday 31st July 2024

commencing at 6.30 pm in the School Hall

Come along to experience the many rich opportunities available to your student.

Self-Paced tours available

We hope to see you there

Today's Learners, Tomorrow's Leaders

# SARAU WINTER SALE

Preloved Books & Clothing July 27th & 28th IIam - 3pm



MOUTERE HILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE A fundraiser for Sarau Community Trust

## MHS SENIOR A NETBALL FUNDRAISER

# ARRIVE 6:30PM

SATURDAY

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**RSA MOTUEKA** 49 HIGH STREET MOTUEKA

AUGUST

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Two Cards + Number for Lucky Cash Draw BUY ON NIGHT. Extra Cards \$5 each

TEXT OR EMAIL NETBALL.MHS@GMAIL.COM 027 366 9901

BINGO *Night* Sat 3rd Aug. 7pm. RSA Motueka ATTER SNR A FUNSDRAISER

> MHS CHILL PLATTER \$20 Sweet & Savory 4 Two

Selection of delicious chilled treats, cheese, crackers, nibbles & more. Ready when you arrive.

**RSA HOT PLATTERS** Not MHS Fundraiser , but will take pre-orders & organise 4U

\$15 Fish & Chips

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\$25 Mixed Platter

Also option to dine in from 5:30pm or order anytime during the night.

PRE-ORDER By Thursday 1st August

027 366 9901

Netball.MHS@gmail.com

38–9000–0492739–00 Fundraising Ref: Name/Platter



A panel of judges will select the five best artworks in each of the two age categories and Mayor Tim will announce them at the opening of a special art exhibition on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

Selected works will be sent to the Mayors for Peace Secretariat in Japan. The artwork that wins the Mayors for Peace President's Award International will be used to promote awareness of the importance of peace education on various occasions. Entries are open now and close on September 1. Entry form and more details about the competition are on our website Mayors for Peace Art competition 2024 | Tasman District Council