



Lower Moutere School

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Kia Ora families and friends of Lower Moutere School,

17 July 2025

It was wonderful to see so many refreshed and smiling faces around the school this morning. Our thoughts and best wishes go out to everyone affected by the flooding. If there is anything we can do to support your whanau please don't hesitate to contact us.

I am pleased to announce that after an extended period of sick leave Maureen Wilkinson is returning to the New Entrant Room this term for two days a week. Mo will be working on Thursday and Friday. I am pleased to announce that Rachel Woods has agreed to stay on and lead the teaching in our New Entrant room working closely with Mo to provide a seamless education for our Tamariki.

This term promises to be another exciting one, packed with engaging learning opportunities for all our Tamariki. Our overarching theme this term is: Let there Be Light - This will primarily be a science focus delving into questions such as: What is light? Where does light come from? How are shadows made? How can light travel through some things but not others? How can colours be seen when light bends or is split? How are colours created? Where do rainbows come from? What is solar energy and how does it work?

Our teachers have been busy planning a diverse range of activities in this area designed to spark curiosity and foster growth and I know the children will be thrilled with what's in store.

Just a few important things to keep in mind for the coming weeks:

- Winter illnesses: As we're still in the cooler months, please remember the importance of keeping your child home if they are unwell. This helps to protect our whole school community.
- Warm clothing: Please ensure your child comes to school dressed warmly each day, with plenty of layers as the weather can change quickly.
- Communication: Our doors are always open! If you have any questions, concerns, or just want to chat, please don't hesitate to get in touch with your child's teacher or the school office.

Let's Work Together - We're so incredibly proud of the positive and supportive learning environment we have here, and that's thanks to the strong partnership between home and school. Your continued support makes a huge difference to your child's learning journey, and we truly value it.

Parent Conferences

This is a time to celebrate your child's success by acknowledging their hard work and dedication shown in their school report. It is important to focus on their individual achievements and progress rather than comparing them to others. Make sure that you highlight specific areas where they have improved or excelled and express your pride and support. This positive reinforcement will encourage them to continue striving for personal growth and excellence – being the BEST that they can be!



Parent/Teacher conferences will happen in the second week of Term 3 - Monday 21st July and Wednesday 23rd July. This will be a time to discuss with your child's teacher, the school report itself, and next steps.



QUIZ NIGHT

TUESDAY 22ND JULY

FUN GAMES, RAFFLES & COOL PRIZES!

Are you ready to test your knowledge and challenge your friends? Join us for Lower Moutere Schools Quiz Night at the Motueka Sprig + Fern

**All proceeds from this quiz will go towards our
Year 7 & 8 Skiing Trip & School Camp!**

\$5 PER PLAYER • 7PM START

TABLE BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL PH 03 528 4684

Lower Moutere School Whanau Survey

As we start planning for Lower Moutere School's next three years, we'd love to hear your thoughts about our school. The information gathered from this survey will go towards helping us develop a new strategic plan which will guide the delivery of education and the strategic direction here at Lower Moutere School from 2026 to 2028.

Here is the link to a google form with the survey on it. We will also have paper copies available in the school office.

<https://forms.gle/XcixM9MDipai8Bzp9>

We need your help!

Now that we have a dedicated space back for our school library, we are looking to expand the selection of high-interest and good-quality books available for our students to read. If you have books at home that are no longer needed and would be of interest to our children, we would love to receive them. Please drop these into the school office.



School policy & procedures

All policies and procedures for our school can be located on SchoolDocs – www.schooldocs.co.nz

Our log-in is **Lower Moutere** and password – **respectful**. 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.

School Uniforms

With the cooler terms upon us, it is time to remind ourselves of the school uniform for the winter season. Students wear a school fleece (we have many spares at school), the school shirt (available from Whitwells) and either BLACK shorts or fleecy pants. If students are needing to wear a thermal, it can be either BLACK or DARK BLUE. Students can of course wear a jacket to school for extra warmth during breaks etc.

Breakfast Club

Volunteers are needed for the breakfast club, Tuesday to Wednesday. Contact Mrs Simkin.

ksimkin@lowermoutere.school.nz

Pie Day Friday

For Pie Day Friday, we need a helper to heat and distribute the pies, please contact Mr Lynch. This is a continuation of our fundraising efforts for the year 7&8 Education Outside of the Classroom (EOTC). Thanks in advance.

mlynch@lowermoutere.school.nz.

Community Notice - Cancellation of the Whole School Assembly this Friday

Just a quick message to let you know that there will not be a whole school assembly tomorrow. The staff and students will be using this time to practice for the Mihi Whakatau and opening ceremony of Room Nine on Monday 21st July.

After school care!

A reminder that Lower Moutere School offers an after school care programme – that runs through to 5.30pm each evening! WINZ subsidy is available – so if you are needing that care after school, look no further!!

To book in, call 027 358 7233 or you can email kidzklubafter3@gmail.com for further details!

We look forward to catching up over the term ahead.



School Payments

If you have Motec, bus, sports fees or anything else on your children's account and are concerned about this please get in contact with us. You can contact the office or your child's teacher, in person, phone or by email and have a discussion. Remember we are here to help!

Please ensure your Payee Details have the family name and the payment reason.

School Bank Account Name: Lower Moutere School Board of Trustees

School Bank Account ASB Number: 12-3158-0184739-00

Absentee Messages

Phone: 03 526 7775, Text (only): 027 339 8801 or email the office at office@lowermoutere.school.nz

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

It is important that you advise the school office of any absence for your child/ren.

If you are letting your child's teacher know, please ensure you also advise the school office.



Community Oral Health Service

For dental treatment prior to the Mobile Clinic return next year, contact the Community Oral Health Service for an appointment Ph 0800 833 846 or 528 1160 Option 7. For any urgent dental care, parents should contact a contracting dentist in their community.

Many thanks for your support for our school!

Bevan Clark

Principal / Tumuaki

JULY	
Monday 14 th	First Day of Term 3
Monday 21 st July	Parent Teacher Conferences
Tuesday 22 nd July	Sprig and Fern Pub Quiz Fundraiser
Wednesday 23 rd July	Parent Teacher Conferences
Thursday 31 st July	Board Meeting in Staffroom at 6pm
AUGUST	
Friday 29 th	Daffodil Day - Mufti Day
SEPTEMBER	
Thursday 4 th	Board Meeting in Staffroom at 6pm
Friday 12 th	School Photos
Friday 19 th	Last Day of Term 3
OCTOBER	
Monday 6 th	First Day of Term 4
Monday 27 th	Labour Day - Public Holiday
DECEMBER	
Thursday 18 th December	Last Day of Term 4

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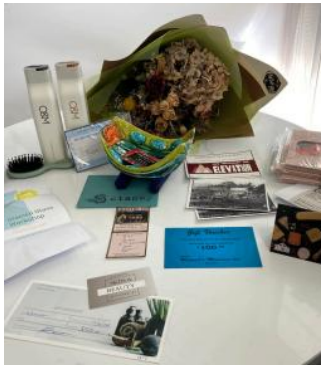
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- Sleeps 10, ideal for two families
- Subject to availability
- Valid for use until 19 April 2026
- Valued at over \$1200
- \$10/ticket



Additional runner-up prizes;

Katie Gold Pottery, Kimiora Day Stay 2x\$35, Moutere Gold vouchers, Mako Family Pass \$150, Paper Plus Voucher \$200, Whitwells \$100, Moutere Inn \$75, Floral Bar Dried Flowers, Stained Glass Art Class \$175, Haus of Hair Pack \$135, Stacey \$50, Fleur Woods Lens Cloth, Heartstone Baskets Blessing Stone, Elevation \$40, Hamish's IceCream, Junction Cheese Shop, Orinoco Honey, Al's Cut & Colour, WOW family Passes, WOW Gift Pack, Nail Refinery, Fox & Grape, Brows & Beauty, Moutere Hills Community Centre Gym Pass

BE IN TO WIN!
Drawn 31 July

Tickets available from Y7/8 students, Moutere Gold, PaperPlus Richmond & school office during school hours
- Thank you for your Support -

DISCO

Y6-Y8 \$5
KOHU ENTRY
BRING CASH/
FOR GOODIES

FRI 25 JULY
6PM-8PM

MOTUEKA HIGH SCHOOL GYM

mhs.netball@gmail.com

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PLEASE WRITE ADULT CONTACT
ON CHILD'S ARM




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**SARAU
WINTER SALE**

Preloved Books & Clothing

July 19th & 20th

11am - 3pm

MOUTERE HILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE

A fundraiser for Sarau Community Trust

MOTUEKA HIGH SCHOOL

Invites Year 8 students, together with their parents/caregivers to our

OPEN EVENING
WEDNESDAY 23 July 2025
 commencing at **6.30pm** in the School Hall.

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

Self-paced tours

OPEN AFTERNOON
FRIDAY 1 August 2025
 from 1.45pm—3.00pm

Please rsvp to:
Karen.wells@motuekahigh.school.nz

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JULY 22ND 5-7PM

**ST THOMAS ANGLICAN CHURCH
101 HIGH ST, MOTUEKA**

FOOD SONG GAMES

CHILDREN UNDER 14 MUST BE SUPERVISED BY AN ADULT