

# SCHOOL ROAD, LOWER MOUTERE

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Kia ora to families and friends of Lower Moutere School -

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Our theme of 'a safe and healthy me' continues to drive the learning across our classes at Lower Moutere, and we are really grateful to the many organisations that we can utilise to help support the messages. For example, St Johns are delivering 'Weaving Well-being' to our senior students, with this purpose .. We want young people to be comfortable in their own skin and develop into happy, thriving members of our communities. We help make life-changing differences with our communities, and this is one of the programmes giving life to this mahi (work). Karli Adams-Stachurski from Foodstuffs is working with classes in Years 5 & 6 on informed food choices. They even give us vouchers courtesy of New World to then make class purchases! How generous is that! Life Education – a hugely sponsored programme has worked with all our students, focussing on lifestyle decisions such as sleep, device exposure and diet. The New Zealand Police have supported learning with the Keeping Ourselves Safe programme.

All of these providers, often costing schools little to nothing, work together to help our students and their happy and healthy lives. By ensuring that our students have the knowledge to make the right decisions at the right time equips them to be 'the best people that they can be!'









Thanks to one of our parents, Jo Wood, she has arranged for Elen Nathan to deliver to our families, the following presentation...



Elan Nathan is a passionate presenter with an Occupational Therapist background. Her skills and knowledge in this area is invaluable in helping us all navigate our way through our parenting journey!

<u>Lower Moutere Memorial Hall</u> - Lower Moutere, Motueka Thursday 11 April 2024 6:30pm – 8:00pm

You can book using this link ... <a href="https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2024/coaching-kids-through-big-feelings/motueka">https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2024/coaching-kids-through-big-feelings/motueka</a>

If you are able to get along to this, you will certainly find it incredibly worthwhile. She has two children of her own, has significant expertise in supporting families and children, in particular helping them work through feelings, what they mean and how we can help as adults.



# **New Zealand Ukulele Trust**

Te Rūnanga Ukurere o Aotearoa

A HUGE thanks to the New Zealand Ukulele Trust who have gifted to our school, 12 brand new ukuleles! We have signed up as a Kiwilele School which gives us access to loads of great resources to help our school and students become expert players!! We wish to acknowledge **Kala Brand Music** and their NZ Agent **Lyn McAllister Music**, for making this donation possible.



A big thanks to the many families who have been out selling tickets for our current wood raffle! With a cold winter ahead of us, what a great prize!

All funds raised from this raffle will support the schools purchase of Kapa Haka uniforms.



# Have you heard!??

We are opening our Discovery space each day as a LEGO Café! Opening from 8am each day, students will have the chance to register to have a week as a visitor to our Lego Café! We look forward to posting lots of photos of creations and excited faces exploring the LEGO world!

Our Learning Support Coordinator – Fraser Campbell, School Social Worker – Julie Woodley and myself attended a seminar in Christchurch last week on how we can use Lego to support children and their learning. We look forward to being able to utilise this amazing resource in multiple ways!



# Just a reminder to our families ..

This FRIDAY is GOOD FRIDAY – therefore school is closed.

The following MONDAY and TUESDAY, school is closed as well. The TUESDAY is not a public holiday however schools do close for this day.

I was recently asked why Tuesday is a holiday ... well here is the explanation I was given ... when we once had three term years, Easter was the time when uniforms changed from summer to winter. The extra day in Easter break gave families a chance to go to town and purchase the winter uniform – especially those who lived rurally and their children were 'boarders' or had to travel distances to the nearest town for uniforms. There we go!



**POOL KEYS** ... do you still have a pool key hiding at home? Could this be returned to school before the end of term – many thanks!

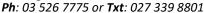
## **CUSTOMISED SCHOOL SPORTS SHIRTS**

For those of you who ordered a school sports shirt - these should arrive before the end of this term.

**LAST DAY OF TERM 1** ... we welcome our families and friends of the school to come along and join us at 2pm – to share the learning from the current term, and maybe sample some products of our learning too!

Thanks for your support for Lower Moutere School! Chris Bascand (JP) Principal

**Absentee Messages** - *Please notify the school of your child's absence before the start of school each day.* <u>Please note:</u> 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.



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



# **Upcoming Events**

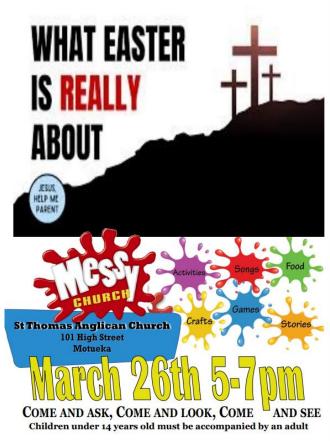
Board meeting	Thursday 28 March	Staffroom	
Easter break	Thursday 29 March – 2 April		School closed
Last day term 1	Friday 12 April		
First day term 2	Monday 29 April		
Kings Birthday	Monday 3 June		School closed
TEACHER ONLY DAY	TUESDAY 4 JUNE		All schools – Motueka district

# GOLDEN ES

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We swim at the Motueka High School pool and have a range of levels available.

Did you know Motueka has a Swimming Club?



# MOTUEKA Swim elub

Swimming Season: November - March



Penguins Squad: (Swimming NZ Level 2)

7 years and over, who are water confident and can swim a basic freestyle. Coach is not in the pool with children. (2 sessions/week)



Dolphins Squad: (Swimming NZ Level 3)

Focus on correct freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke technique. (2 sessions/week)



Orcas Squad (2 sessions/week):

10 years and over, confident swimmers that wish to improve their techniques (including butterfly) and increase their endurance.

### Training Squad:

Trains 4 sessions/week, may attend meets. For swimmers who still want to improve technique and train as a squad but may not want to swim competitively.

### Competitive Squad:

Trains 4 sessions/week, attend meets, intense focus on perfecting stroke technique, speed, and endurance.

Email motuekaswimclub@gmail.com for more information.

# Enrolments beginning October 2024.

If you are keen for more competitive swimming, we do offer winter swimming at ASB Aquatic Centre in Richmond – and opportunity to compete at Swimming NZ meets.









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