



# Lower Moutere School

SCHOOL ROAD, LOWER MOUTERE

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Kia ora to whānau and friends of Lower Moutere School!

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We are close to hitting the halfway mark for the school year ... and chaotic would be one word that we could best sum up the term! I wish to really impress on you all the amazing flexibility and tolerance that everyone at school has shown, working around the building programme that is happening here. From week to week, we are altering where things are, what spaces are free – or not and how to work in to ensure that we do not disrupt the flow of work. Work is going well to the plan that has been prepared, and over the holidays, we will see a move to the junior area of the school – hence the large container that arrived this morning! It would be great to say that the building will all be complete by the end of term 3 ... Again, our thanks go to Ian Twinn building and his workers – for their great 'fitting in' with the school and on the side entertainment too! (dancing ... music ... singing ... and bit of banter!!)



## MATARIKI – 2023



With the Matariki celebration falling over the school holidays this year, we are taking a different approach to celebrating Matariki at school.

Next Thursday, all classes are going to be involved in collectively making soup for the class. **On Friday at lunchtime**, we welcome our school families to join us for freshly made soup, a bread bun and time to look at all the great things our school has been focusing on this term. Matariki is a time for celebration, this is a PERFECT way to conclude our term! We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible, from 12.30pm!

After a look around the school, parents are welcome to take their child(ren) home, and kick start the holidays!

## Reporting to Parents & Whānau

Thanks to the teaching staff for the time and effort that they put into writing school reports for our students. With each report taking approximately 1-2 hours each, staff start writing these around the middle of the term, and modify them as the term progresses. Take the time to enjoy reading about your child's successes and next steps. Early in term 3, we have a whānau connect time to discuss your school report. The discussion will focus around your child's progress academically and socially to date this year, and to unpack where they sit in relation to curriculum levels for their year. Teachers will be using this term's Mid-Year reports as a basis for the discussion. We encourage all tamariki to attend their whānau conference, as it is a great opportunity for supporting our tamariki in developing the ability to talk about their learning.

## From the Board meeting...



Thursday evening saw the Board meet for the second time this term, to discuss developments across the school and how we are working to meet the goals of our strategic plan.

Here are some snippets from the meeting!

- We discussed the new maths intervention to help students who are getting 'stuck' with their maths. All the students we have spoken to, all said how much more they enjoy maths and are feeling more confident!

- The building work is running to budget and should be completed in approximately 12 weeks.
- The Board will purchase a Verstaile shed to house all excess school furniture.
- We reviewed the procedures for the term – these can be found on the [www.schooldocs.co.nz](http://www.schooldocs.co.nz) – Lower Mouere and the password is respectful.
- All school camp documentation is being reviewed by the sub-committee on the Board.
- We are employing a Kapahaka tutor from terms 3 and 4!

Part of the discussion was about how our students greet adults who are in the school, and when in the office. The Board felt that our students were exceptional when it came to greeting other adults in the school, remembering to hold doors open and say thanks when something is done for them. Such simple things make an immense difference and impression – keep it up LMS!

## School Facebook page



The school Facebook page is an effective and efficient method for the school to communicate very general messages and celebrations to our school community and beyond. For more important messages, we will either email, txt or send home a paper notice. Should you wish to communicate back to the school, we ask that you either email/message, phone us or come in, in person. Many thanks!

## School Fleece's

There's an abundance of fleece tops – without names – in the school office. They have all been washed so smelling new and ready for a new home! So....if your child is feeling the cold, and doesn't have their fleece, we may well have the answer to your problem!!

## Celebrating staff week!

This week, across all primary schools, is Celebrating Support staff week. This is a way that schools can recognise the great work that support and all staff do in our schools. I'm sure that you will all agree that the staff at Lower Mouere do an exceptional job for our students and school community. A huge THANKS to our staff for the professional care, opportunities and effort that you put into our school and students each day!



Thanks for your support for Lower Mouere School! Enjoy the holiday break with your great kids and we look forward to seeing our families – plus a few more too!

Chris Bascand – Principal (JP)

<b>JUNE</b>	
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term 2
<b>JULY</b>	
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Matariki - Public Holiday
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	First Day of Term 3
<b>AUGUST</b>	
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Trustees meeting 6pm in staffroom
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	School Photos
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Trustees meeting 6pm in staffroom
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Last Day of Term 3
<b>OCTOBER</b>	
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	First Day of Term 4
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Labour Day - Public Holiday
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Trustees meeting 6pm in staffroom
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Trustees meeting 6pm in staffroom
<b>DECEMBER</b>	
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of Term 4





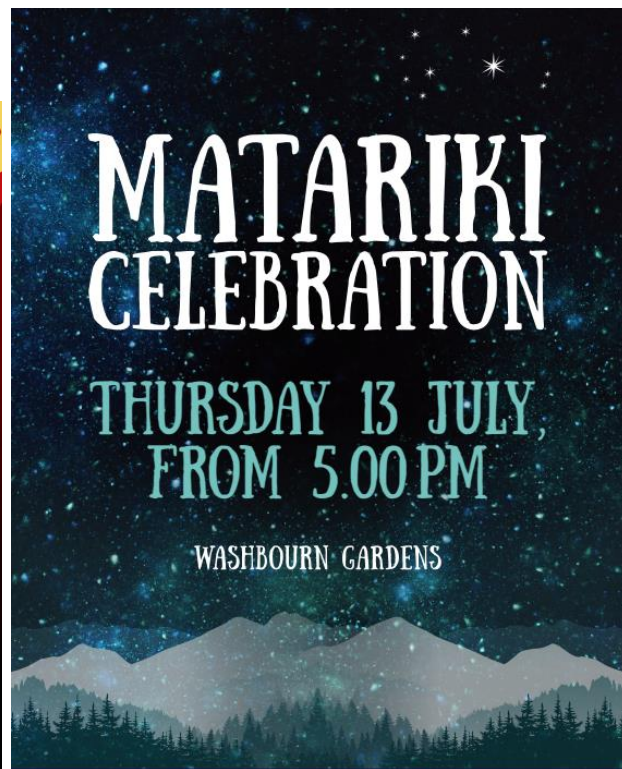
**LOWER MOUTERE SCHOOL**

**QUIZ NIGHT**

**THURSDAY, 6TH JULY**  
**7PM - MOTUEKA SPRIG AND FERN**  
**\$3 PER PERSON ENTRY FREE**

**RAFFLES AVAILABLE**

**Come and support our year 7/8 kids getting to camp!**



**MATARIKI CELEBRATION**

**THURSDAY 13 JULY, FROM 5.00 PM**

**WASHBOURN GARDENS**



*A time to celebrate*

**MATARIKI LIGHT COMPETITION**

A competition to embrace the Māori new year, a time of renewal and celebration. Create a light lantern, light sculpture or light display to celebrate Matariki and be in to win.


**CATEGORIES:**

- Best Business in Tasman
- Best School Class in Tasman
- Best Residential in Tasman

**CRITERIA** Your masterpiece should be:

- Battery powered
- Transportable
- Represent the meaning of Matariki

To enter, email a picture of your masterpiece to [events@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:events@tasman.govt.nz) by Friday 7 July.  
 For more information visit: [tasman.govt.nz/events](http://tasman.govt.nz/events)



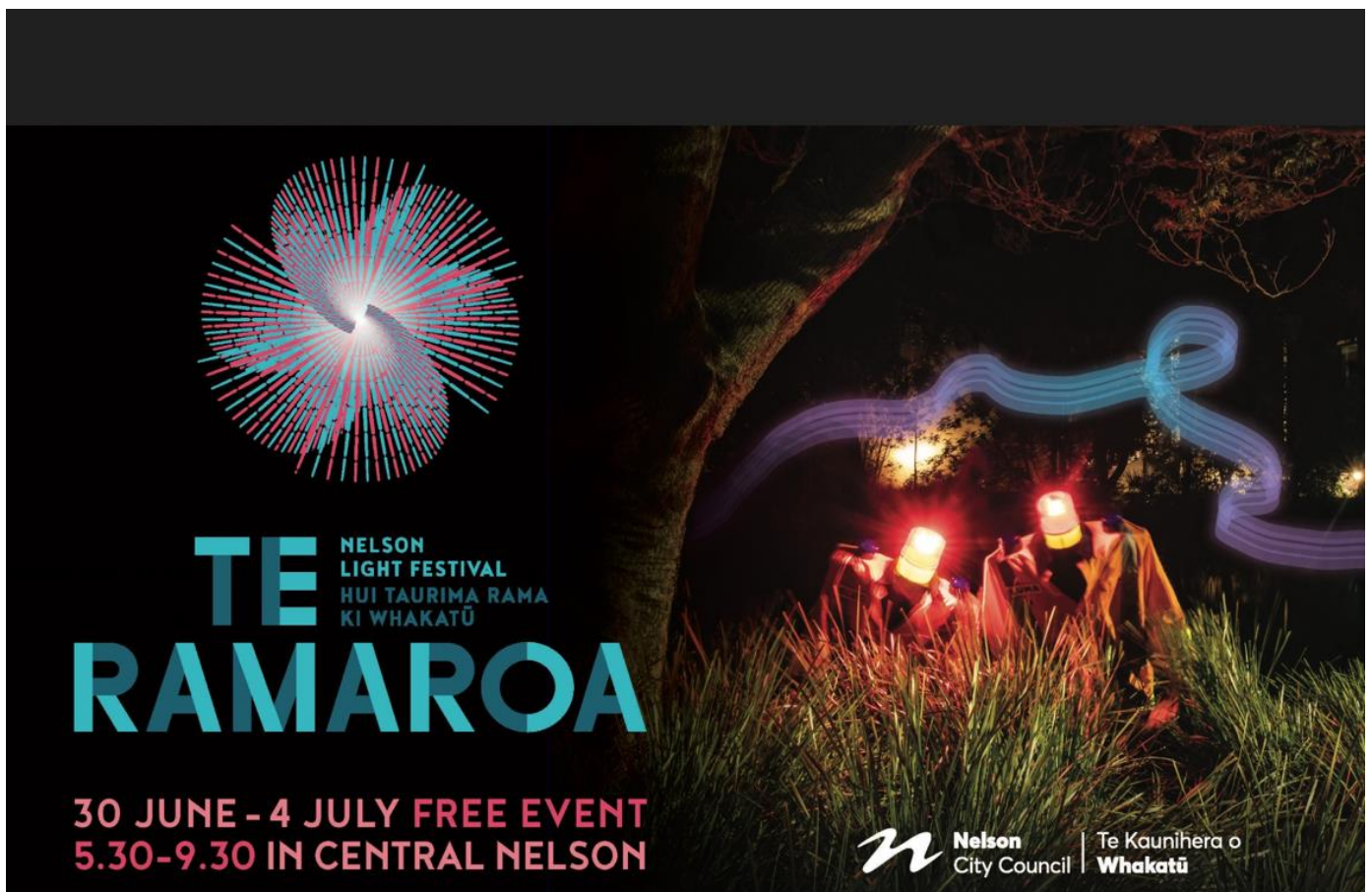
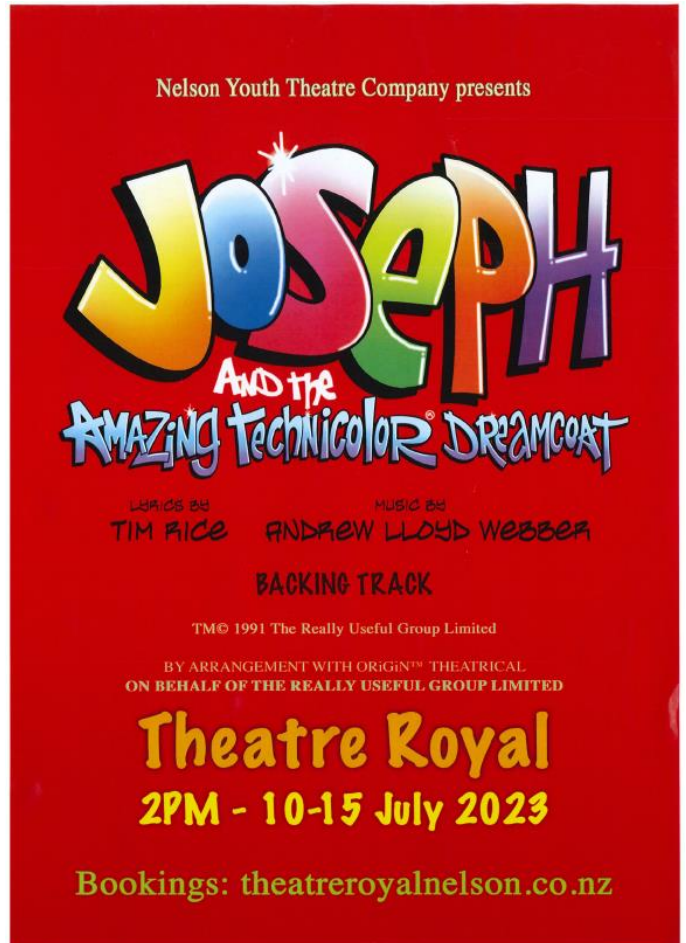
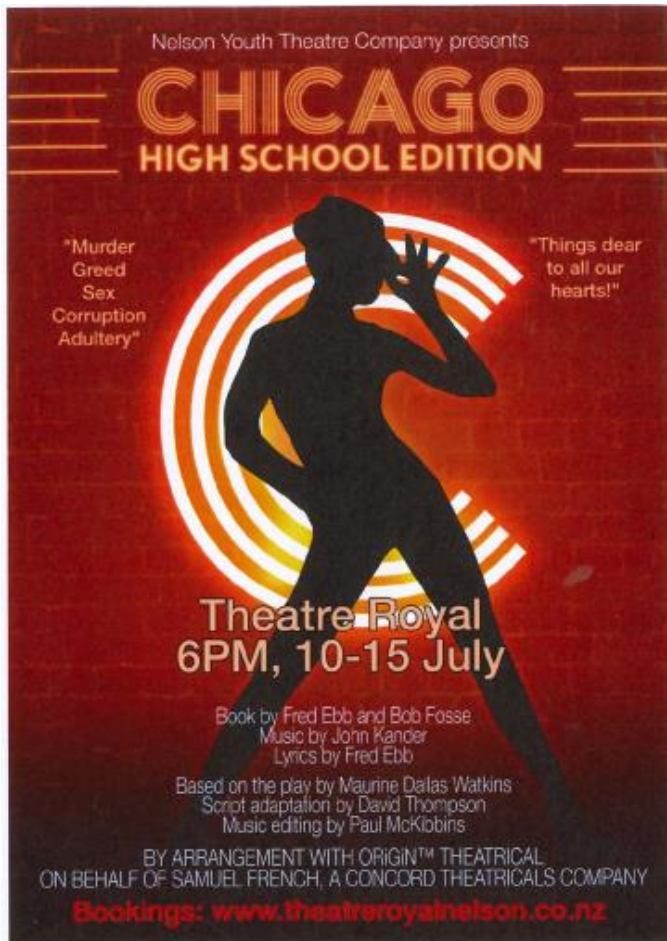
**JULY 14TH 6-8PM**

**matariki**

**6PM. MATARIKI PERFORMANCE BY TE ORO HĀ**  
**645PM MATARIKI STAR GAZING**  
**7PM MATARIKI KANIKANI, DANCE FOR ALL**

*Decks Reserve, Te Noninga Kumu the Motueka Library*







## MOTUEKA HIGH SCHOOL



invites Year 8 students,  
their parents/caregivers to our

### Open Evening

Wednesday 26th July 2023

commencing at 6.30 pm  
in the School Hall

Come along to experience the many rich  
opportunities available to your son or daughter

Self-Paced tours available

*We hope to see you there*

*Today's Learners, Tomorrow's Leaders*

### Parent & Whānau Information Evening



Wednesday 19 July, 7.00pm  
Garin Gymnasium

Come and hear about your Catholic college  
This evening is aimed at providing information to parents  
and whānau, students can also attend

### Open Day at Garin College for Year 8 Students

Wednesday 26 July, 12.00pm - 2.20pm

Come to your Catholic college for lunch and a look around

#### Programme

- 12.00pm Welcome from Principal at the gym  
Lunch, compliments of our catering team  
Presentations from Garin College Leaders  
Guided tours to see the school in action  
Return to the gym for band performance and farewell
- 2.20pm Visitors depart and return to their own schools

**ABEL TASMAN**  
**SEA SHUTTLE**  
*Enjoy the Best*

**Kids Travel Free!\***

**School Holiday Special**  
**0800 732 748**

**20 YEARS**  
SUPPORTING LOCAL - 2020



**Being with Horses**  
Equine therapy & activities



## Horsing Around !! Holiday programme

Ages 9+

Spend time with the herd learning the horse talk - language of the horse, how to care for your horse.  
Learn horse skills and play some fun games.



No riding on the ground fun only!!

Limited to six children per group

Facilitated by Julie Smith EquineTherapist/ Registered Social Worker 6330

**WHEN TIMES**  
6 & 7th July  
MORNING 9.30 - 12.30  
AFTERNOON 1 - 4

**WHERE COST**  
Being with Horses Starnes Road Lower Moutere  
\$40 Per child

**MORNING AND AFTERNOON TEA PROVIDED**

**CONTACT** [beingwithhorsesnz@gmail.com](mailto:beingwithhorsesnz@gmail.com)  
021 944459 for further information and to request a registration form.



Are you needing a bit of help and support?

If so, check out our website for more information



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- Parenting chats
- Ebooks
- Free sleep resources

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**sleepharmony.co.nz**



## KIDZ KLUB AFTER 3 MASSIVE WINTER HOLIDAY FUN

3 July - 14 July 2023

8.30am - 3.30pm

(aftercare may be available to 5.00pm depending on numbers)

**UPPER MOUTERE SCHOOL HALL**

**\$40 per day**

To get an enrolment form for your children contact

Cindus Colonna (027) 358 7233

[Kidzklubafter3@gmail.com](mailto:Kidzklubafter3@gmail.com)

**BE IN QUICK AS SPACES ARE STRICTLY LIMITED!!!**

<b>Monday 3 July</b> <b>CARNIVAL DAY</b> It's a fun filled day. Come along and play all the theme park games to win a chance at buying some really cool stuff 	<b>Tuesday 4 July</b> <b>TECH GAMES</b> Bring along your own electronic device of choice. Think outside the box bring a remote control car, race track or fighting robots! 	<b>Wednesday 5 July</b> <b>SHOP KEEPERS</b> The Kidz Klub shop is now open. You get a chance to shop and then be the shop keeper 	<b>Thursday 6 July</b> <b>MEDIEVAL FEAST</b> Lets take a step back in time. Come dressed in your medieval costume and lets have a feast and party games from days of the lords, knights and ladies 	<b>Friday 7 July</b> <b>WOOL CRAFTS</b> How long is a ball of wool? We are making some cool crafts with wool today so we will find out! 
<b>Monday 10 July</b> <b>GAMES TIME</b> A day full of team, individual and fun challenging games to keep you busy 	<b>Tuesday 11 July</b> <b>MOVIES IN THE MOUTERE</b> Grab your ticket, some popcorn, and an ice cream, and get ready for lights out for the movie today 	<b>Wednesday 12 July</b> <b>CRACK THE CODE</b> A day of puzzles and code games to keep your mind spinning 	<b>Thursday 13 July</b> <b>kidpower</b> The team at Kidpower are going to take us for a workshop to teach us how we can keep ourselves and others safe, and some ideas about how to deal with bullying 	<b>Friday 14 July</b> <b>MATARIKI</b> <b>No Programme Today</b>