



# Lower Moutere School

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Dear Parents and whanau of Lower Moutere School –

15 September 2023

As the term draws to an end, it is really great to reflect back over the achievements that we have made – how awesome our students are and all the experiences that enrich their time at school!

The first of our school camps kicked off 2 weeks ago with our Year 7 and 8 students experiencing a winter camp, based at Lake Rotoiti. Many of us will remember the lodge there, as we visited during our own schooling experiences. It was a cold place back then ... uncomfortable beds, not the best of showers and the open fire that filled the room with smoke! Recent upgrades have certainly made a significant difference and despite it being freezing outside, the lodge was incredibly warm and comfortable.

The senior group were outstanding to take away. It is no easy task, taking a school camp and a **huge thanks** go to both Kara and Mike who planned this for our students. Another **big thanks** goes out to the parents who gave up their own family life and work, to accompany the students. Without this support, we are unable to have our students involved in the school camp programme!



Skiing the Rainbow ....



The 'Great Race' ... a steady hand needed here for the rock stacking!



Orienteering around the National Park ...



Water testing activities ....



... and some free time too!



## DAFFODIL DAY

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Daffodil Day fundraiser. Our school raised \$354.50 for the Cancer Society. That is a fantastic amount – which goes directly to the Nelson/Tasman branch!

**THANKS!** To Versatile Garages! We have recently purchased a garage for the school – and not only have they given a significant discount, but they have also arranged free delivery! We really appreciate your support for our school!



Lower Moutere School is a SUN SAFE focussed school. We know the long term dangers of exposure to the sun, and therefore do all we can to ensure that safe practices are in place at our school. Next term, all students and staff are required to wear a sunhat whenever they are outside. Please ensure that your child brings their named school hat to school. If you are needing a new school hat, this can be purchased from the school office.

We strongly recommend that the hat is left AT SCHOOL so there is no risk of it being left at home during the week. Students without a hat after the first week (a week of creating the habit) will be asked by duty staff to play in the allocated shaded areas of our kura/school. We encourage our students to protect themselves with sunscreen and have this

available in classrooms. You may have your own preference for lotion, and you are most welcome to pop this into schoolbags before heading to school.

The best practice is to apply sunscreen before leaving home, allowing time for it to soak into skin and become effective.

Thanks for working together to keep our students safe!



The Board met last night – the last meeting for the term! The following are some main points from the meeting:

- How does our school raise student achievement in maths? How are we going?? At the start of the school year, we asked the question – what is the barrier for some students to achieve in maths? We have trialled a new intervention, and have had incredible results! Here they are ...

At the end of term 1...

21% of students were not achieving where they should in maths.

76% of students were achieving where they should be in maths

3% of students were achieving at a level higher in maths.

At the end of term 3 (Now!)

6% of students are not where we expect them to be, in maths

75% of students are achieving at the expected level in maths

19% of students are achieving at a higher level in maths



The dedication of our staff towards supporting students to learn, and the desire of students learn, is what raises achievement at our school.

The question was also asked ...*what happens with students when something goes wrong at school... how is it managed?*

That is a great question as yes – things do go wrong from time to time and as a staff, we do need to navigate situations that can, be quite uncomfortable. Ultimately, upholding the values of the school will underpin all that we do.

- We respect ourselves - **Anga mai koe**
- We respect others - **Te whakaute ētahi atu**
- We respect our school and it's property - **Rawa te whakaute**

This means ensuring that all parties are treated with respect – they are all heard and then we work through a restorative process to get things right. If school is a place for learning .. maths, art, reading ... it is also a place for learning about how we treat each other, and what to do when we have upsets. As a principal and dad, the question that runs through my head whenever working through any situation is this ... *if this was my child, how would I like them to be treated? How does this reflect the school values?* With this as our foundation, I am always impressed with how students can quickly reach a point where they can reflect and want to make a change.



**We invite our school community to Lower Moutere School next FRIDAY at 1.30pm, to have share the learning and achievements of our school over the past term!**

**We have been exploring eco-systems ...with the focus on bees! Come and have a buzz around our school and then head away for a great 2 week break!**

Many thanks for your support for the school!

Chris Bascand (JP) - Principal

<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 students to Motec
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Last Day of Term 3
29 <sup>th</sup> September – 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Dental Bus
<b>OCTOBER</b>	
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	First Day of Term 4
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 5 & 6 Camp - Marahau
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Labour Day – Public Holiday
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Board of Trustees meeting 6pm in staffroom
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Gumboot Friday – Wear your gumboots to school!
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Junior Athletics
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 & 4 Camp
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Senior Athletics
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Trustees meeting 6pm in staffroom
<b>DECEMBER</b>	
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	End of year prizegiving
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of Term 4



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Rico Bearman

# NEW SEASON ABOUT TO START

## HAVE A GO DAY SAT 14th OCTOBER

COME & SEE WHAT BMX IS ALL ABOUT

On Saturday the 14th of October, Nelson BMX will be having a club day of racing AND will include separate 'Have a Go' sessions for anyone wanting to come and see what BMX racing is all about. Come down and you'll get to watch some club racing and then the club will have two 'Have a Go' sessions between races. There is no cost for 'Have a Go' sessions and all you need is long pants and long shirt, close toe shoes and gloves. The club will have a few bikes and helmets available to use.

You are welcome to bring your own bike to this event

Sign in is at 9:30am and racing starts at 10am.

For more information, contact the club via their Facebook page or webpages below.

### NELSON BMX

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/nelsonbmx>

<https://www.facebook.com/nelsonbmxclub>

Tahunanui Recreational Reserve, Beach Road, Tahunanui

# BMX

COME TRY BMX

\* FOR BACK UP RAIN DATES PLEASE CHECK FACEBOOK

### SPORT TASMAN WEEK 1 SPRING HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES 25th Sept - 30th Sept

25  
MON

- \* Badminton & Pickleball  
10am - 12pm \$5
- \* Basketball Coaching Sessions  
1pm - 3pm \$8
- \* Public Skating  
1pm - 4pm \$5 Entry \$8 Hire

26  
TUE

- \* Fun Zone, 10am - 1pm \$5
- \* Indoor Soccer Coaching  
1pm - 3pm \$8
- \* Climbing Sessions (Bookings Recommended)  
2pm - 3pm & 3pm - 4pm \$8

27  
WED

- \* Badminton  
10am - 12pm \$5
- \* Basketball Coaching Session  
1pm - 3pm \$8
- \* Pickleball  
6pm - 8pm \$5

28  
THU

- \* Sports Zone 11am - 3pm \$5
- \* Climbing Sessions (Bookings Recommended) \$8  
2pm - 3pm & 3pm - 4pm
- \* Badminton  
6pm - 9pm \$5

29  
FRI

- \* Volleyball Coaching Session  
1pm - 3pm \$8
- \* Climbing Sessions (Bookings Recommended)  
2pm - 3pm & 3pm - 4pm \$8
- \* Basketball  
6pm - 8pm \$4

30  
SAT

- \* Badminton  
10am - 12pm \$5
- \* Basketball  
1pm - 4pm \$4

For More Information Visit Our Facebook Page  
(Motueka Recreation Centre) Or Call Us On (03) 528 8228

### SPORT TASMAN WEEK 2 SPRING HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES 2nd Oct - 7th Oct

2nd  
MON

- \* Badminton & Pickleball  
10am - 12pm \$5
- \* Basketball Coaching Sessions  
1pm - 3pm \$8
- \* Public Skating  
1pm - 4pm \$5 Entry \$8 Hire
- \* Basketball  
6pm - 8pm \$4

3rd  
TUE

- \* Sports Zone, 11am - 3pm \$5
- \* Indoor Soccer Coaching  
1pm - 3pm \$8
- \* Climbing Sessions (Bookings Recommended)  
2pm - 3pm & 3pm - 4pm \$8

4th  
WED

- \* Badminton  
10am - 12pm \$5
- \* Basketball Coaching Session  
1pm - 3pm \$8
- \* Pickleball  
6pm - 8pm \$5
- \* Public Skating  
1pm - 4pm \$5 Entry \$8 Hire

5th  
THU

- \* Fun Zone, 10am - 1pm \$5
- \* Organized Sports Games  
1pm - 3pm \$4
- \* Climbing Sessions (Bookings Recommended) \$8  
2pm - 3pm & 3pm - 4pm
- \* Badminton  
6pm - 9pm \$5

6th  
FRI

- \* Volleyball Coaching Session  
1pm - 3pm \$8
- \* Youth Skating  
1pm - 5pm \$5 Entry \$8 Hire
- \* Climbing Sessions (Bookings Recommended)  
2pm - 3pm & 3pm - 4pm \$8
- \* Basketball, 6pm - 8pm \$4
- \* Public Skating  
6pm - 8pm \$5 Entry \$8 Hire

7th  
SAT

- \* Badminton  
10am - 12pm \$5
- \* Public Skating  
1pm - 3pm \$5 Entry \$8 Hire
- \* Basketball  
1pm - 4pm \$4

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## Choices vs Consequences



**Sept 26th 5-7pm**



**St Thomas Anglican Church**  
101 HIGH STREET MOTUEKA  
0204727474

**COME AND ASK, COME AND LOOK, COME AND SEE**  
Children under 14 years old must be accompanied by an adult

## YOUTH YARNS



### What does peace mean to our youngsters?

Young artists are invited to join this year's Mayors for Peace art competition and share their vision for peace.

Last year, local students Aria Robertson and Lucy Gauntlett took out two of the top placings in the international Mayors for Peace Children's Art Competition and entries are now open for this year's event.

As a member of the international Mayors for Peace network, Tasman Mayor Tim King is encouraging our young people to join this global art competition to explore and promote peace in our communities.

We're looking for drawings or paintings created by youngsters aged between 6 and 15 who live or study in Tasman.

A panel of judges will select the five best artworks in each of the two age categories and the winners will be announced in September. Selected works will then be sent to the Mayors for Peace Secretariat in Japan.

This year's theme is 'what peace means to me' and the deadline for entries is 31 August.

Find out more at [tasman.govt.nz](https://tasman.govt.nz), search 'art competition'.

**Deadline Extended**  
**10th October 2023**

## WILDERNESS CANOE TRUST

### School Holiday Canoe Camps

LIFE SKILLS THROUGH ADVENTURE

**My First Canoe Camp**  
9 - 10 year olds  
Mon 2 - Tue 3 Oct '23  
Parapara Inlet,  
Golden Bay



**Wilderness Canoe Camp**  
11 - 13 year olds  
Thu 5 - Sat 7 Oct '23  
Whanganui Inlet,  
Golden Bay

Email to reserve a place: [info@canoejourneys.co.nz](mailto:info@canoejourneys.co.nz)



# MOTUEKA SKATEPARK

## Official Opening



Join us for a skate competition and sausage sizzle  
11.00 am, Saturday 30 September (7 October rain day)  
40 Old Wharf Road, Motueka

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tasman YOUTH COUNCIL Te Kaunihera o te tai o Aorere

# Outdoor MOVIE NIGHT

## MAMMA MIA!

FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER  
DECKS RESERVE MOTUEKA  
MOVIE STARTS AT 7PM

FREE EVENT  
BYO FOOD/DRINK/BLANKET  
NO ALCOHOL  
RAIN DATE: SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER

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ELECTORAL COMMISSION  
TE Kaitiaki Take Kōwhiri

# Help your community vote.

Register to work at the  
2023 General Election.

For more information,  
visit [work.elections.nz](https://work.elections.nz)

The West Coast-Tasman Electorate is recruiting for roles to deliver the 2023 General Election in your community.

Whether you want to work for a couple of weeks or just for a day, there's a range of options to suit you.

Apply today: [General Election 2023 - West Coast-Tasman Electorate - Electoral Commission \(elections.nz\)](https://work.elections.nz)

# GARDENS OF THE WORLD

MONET BANKSY POINTILLISM




Lego Wars      Explore Art      Archery

Primary Age Childrens Holiday Programme

# Spring Holidays

MONDAY 2ND TO FRIDAY 6TH OCT  
[www.yikesnelson.com/holidays](https://www.yikesnelson.com/holidays)



# Oasis Education Centre

Children 3 – 5yrs  
Mon – Fri 8:00am-5:00pm



Curious minds,  
Great fun,  
Big learning

Where fun, friendships and passion for learning ignite, to challenge children's bodies and minds.

Our motto is  
"If you don't give it a go,  
you'll never know!"

12 Wilkinson Street, Motueka  
(03) 528 4656  
[www.oasispreschools.co.nz](http://www.oasispreschools.co.nz)

Early Childhood Education  
Specialising in getting children ready for school

## START CARE

### Children's Asthma Study

Do you have asthma?  
We want to find the best inhalers for kids/tamariki with asthma.

**SCAN ME!**

**What does it involve?**

- Try turbuhalers to manage your asthma symptoms
- Attend 6 visits over 1 year for asthma reviews, education, and breathing tests
- Reimbursement for travel expenses for parents, and gift card koha for children

**To take part you must:**

- Be between 5 and 11 years old
- Have asthma
- Take separate reliever and preventer inhalers

**Get in touch to learn more:**

(03) 528 8866 | [richard.fuller@mrnz.ac.nz](mailto:richard.fuller@mrnz.ac.nz) | [is.gd/startcare](https://is.gd/startcare)



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THE GOLDEN EDGE NELSON

# A&P SHOW

25 & 26  
NOVEMBER 2023

RICHMOND  
SHOWGROUNDS

GATES  
OPEN AT  
9 AM

MORE INFO AT  
[WWW.RICHMONDPARK.NZ](http://WWW.RICHMONDPARK.NZ)

