



Mokoia Intermediate



Matua Rawiri's Shout Out

Tēnā Koutou Parents and Caregivers

A huge mihi to all parents and caregivers who were able to make the three way conferences on Tuesday and Wednesday. It was an opportunity to meet your child's teacher, discuss their progress, achievement and social skills. Our booking data says that we saw 235 parents. I hope it was a positive experience for you all. I heard lots of awesome comments. Thank you to our staff for the extra commitment to stay later in the evenings. Feel free to make an individual time if you had to miss this opportunity.

On Wednesday we interviewed two applicants for the technology positions. I would like to congratulate **Whaea Claire Walker**, who is already filling our food technology position and **Whaea Fiona Wilcock**, who will begin teaching in Term 3. At the end of this week we farewell **Whaea Kimberlee** from W1. She has been a loving, caring and happy teacher. Thank you for teaching at Mokoia Intermediate Whaea Kimberlee and we wish you all the best. Kia Kaha, Kia Maia, Kia Manawanui!

Organising eight basketball teams and getting each player registered with uniforms, has been a tough task. Results of our first grading games can be seen below. More team practices will begin now that we are underway.

From **Bruce Davidson, Board Chair/Presiding Member** - *"Your children will have made you aware that there was a lockdown at 3pm yesterday. We had an agitated parent in the school office. As a large number of students come to the office after school to collect their phones, we decided it was best to keep students in so that they were not exposed to the incident.*

The police were called but the situation was quickly over and the children were released to go home.

Our apologies to the children who missed the school bus; our staff ensured that they got home. Our thanks and apologies to parents and caregivers who had to wait in the pick up bay. Thank you for your understanding.

We continue to ensure our students' and staff's safety is a priority."

Have a restful weekend everyone.

Matua Rawiri and the Mokoia 'A' Team

We are Limitless! We are Passionate! We are Mokoia!

Key dates for Term 2 2023

Term 2 Week 3

- **Tuesday 9th May** - Rip, Whip and Grip

Term 2 Week 4

- **Monday 15th May** - Acceler8 Taio programme on Mokoia Island
- **Friday 19th May** - Pink Shirt Day

Term 2 Week 5

- **Monday 22nd May** - Acceler8 Taio programme on Mokoia Island
- **Monday 22nd May** - Board meeting, 6pm
- **Wednesday 24th May - Friday 26th May** - Epro8 finals
- **Thursday 25th May** - Year 7 Boostrix education session
- **Thursday 25th May** - Acceler8 Taio programme on Mokoia Island

Term 2 Week 6

- **Monday 29th May** - Acceler8 Taio programme on Mokoia Island
- **Wednesday 31st May** - RGHS Legally Blonde Performance

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- **Thursday 1st June** - Jumping June

Term 2 Week 7

- **Monday 5th June** - King's Birthday
- **Tuesday 6th June** - Life Education starts
- **Thursday 8th June** - Acceler8 Taio programme on Mokoia Island
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Term 2 Week 8

- **Monday 12th June** - Acceler8 Taio programme on Mokoia Island

Term 2 Week 9

- **Monday 19th June** - Acceler8 Taio programme on Mokoia Island
- **Thursday 22nd June** - Acceler8 Taio programme on Mokoia Island

Term 2 Week 10

- **Monday 26th June** - Acceler8 Taio programme on Mokoia Island
- **Wednesday 28th June** - Year 7 Boostrix vaccination
- **Friday 30th June** - Term 2 ends

Want to see our full school calendar? Follow this link: <http://bit.ly/MokCal>

Basketball

Basketball Results - Wednesday 3rd May

Mokoia Achieve Y8 Girls 34 vs JPC Kotuku 10 - Player of the Day - **Mekita, Aiesha, Aria**

Mokoia Whakaiti Y7 Boys 18 vs RIS Te Rangiwaho 1 - Player of Day - **Whole Team**

Mokoia Girls Y8 Girls 25 vs MAS Girls 2 - Player of the Day - **Lydia Graham**

Mokoia Limitless Y8 Boys 24 vs Ngati Rongomai 44 - Player of the Day - **Lachlan Mead**

Mokoia Ūpoko Pakaru Y7 Girls 12 vs JPC Huia 16 - Player of the Day - **Kalicia Pohatu**

Mokoia Passion Y8 Boys 16 vs RIS Kaitakaaro 12 - Player of the Day - **Cooper Jones**

Mokoia Integrity Y7 Boys 14 vs JPC Whio 2 - Player of the Day - **Casey Coetzee**

Mokoia Kōmaitanga Y8 Boys 6 vs Kaitao Kaha 17 - Player of the Day - **Kai Turkington**

Please ensure basketball fees are paid to the office asap. This is a total of \$42.

Games are every Wednesday at the Rotorua Sportsdrome: \$1 entry. Bring a mouthguard and arrive 15 minutes before your game. All the best for the season.

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- *Matua Rawiri, Basketball Coordinator*

North Island Mountain Biking champs 2023

In the holidays, eleven students competed in the North Island Mountain Bike champs. They all represented Mokoia with pride. All these students can be proud of their efforts. Thank you to Sarah for helping with Mokoia registration along with the parents who marshalled on behalf of Mokoia throughout the weekend. Mountain biking is a sport in which Mokoia is well represented and achieving pleasing results. The future is looking bright for mountain biking at Mokoia.

Here are notable placings achieved by Mokoia students:

Downhill U13 boys

1st - **Matthew Wallace**

2nd - **Noah Evans**

3rd - **Jasper Leuchs**

Cross Country U13 boys

1st- **Matthew Wallace**

Cross Country U13 girls

2nd - **Cate Phipps**

Cross Country U14 girls

2nd - **Georgia Davies**

Enduro U13 boys

1st - **Matthew Wallace**

2nd - **Noah Evans**

- *Gareth Upston, Sports Coordinator, gupston@mokoia.school.nz*

Rip, Grip and Whip Mountain Biking Event

Kia ora e te whānau. We are monitoring the weather closely naturally. Our priority is the safety and wellbeing of the children so our policy has always been to proceed if light showers, anything more we cancel. We must also be mindful of the track conditions and our effect on them. We are consulting with Rotorua Trails Trust and will make the call on Monday whether to go ahead or not. Many thanks for your ongoing support. Stay dry and hope for a break in the weather.

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Rock Climbing

On Wednesday 3rd May, thirteen Mokoia students braved the terrible weather to take part in the BOP Intermediate Rock Climbing Competition at Rocktopia Mount Maunganui.

The competition was very tough but every single student gave it their all so a huge thank you and well done to **Max W1, Daniel W1, Anaru P4, Tyler W1, Evan W2, Luke K5, Elsie P4, Trixie W1, Evelyn W1, Lydia W1, Briar K4, Maya K5** and **Emily K3**.

After some amazing climbs, Mokoia came away with **Max Stratford W1** placing sixth in the Year 8 Boys and **Maya Gebert K5**, placing fifth in the Year7 Girls. An incredible effort.

I'd like to thank Maya's mum **Annett** who helped with transport & made chocolate Brownies & Max's mum Sarah for the Gingercrunch.

I was so proud of each and everyone of them.

- Whaea Karyn, kthaine@mokoia.school.nz

ShowQuest

This is just a reminder to all ShowQuesters that the Wednesday rehearsals start this week, 10 May starting at 3:30, finishing at 5pm.

I know that there are several performers who have hockey practice, so I would appreciate it if they could join us straight after their hockey practice.

- Many thanks, *Glen Law, TIC Performing Arts*, glaw@mokoia.school.nz

Merit Awards

K1	Blake Gillard-Kake - For demonstrating our school values and being a role model student.
Rūmaki	Tairongo Mohi-Dickson - He poutokotoko iwhēnuku, he poutokotoko iwhērangī!
K3	Casey Coetzee - You were so engaged during our maths lessons and your questions helped others develop their understanding. You are awesome! Noah Evans - You are so focused during class. You offer opinions, ask good questions and put your hand up to help whenever it is needed.
K4	Levi Pohio - You have settled in well in K4 and already showing strong work ethic

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	and Mana when learning the school song.
K5	<p>Ty Van Doorne - For using your initiative during reading on Wednesday. I was super impressed when you took it upon yourself to come and work with me. You were encouraging to the other people in the group and offered support when you were able to. Keep it up Ty!</p> <p>Angus Macklin, Luke Partelow, Kevin Bhandari, Koki Hara - Congratulations for being selected to represent Mokoia Intermediate in EPro8!</p>
P1	Brody Cunningham - For the fantastic effort you have been putting into your work with Whaea Anna. You worked really hard to complete all your tasks and show your understanding. Keep it up Brody!
P2	Maddi Young - You consistently show our school values both in the classroom and outside in the playground. You are a quiet, humble and diligent student. Keep being you Maddi.
P3	Ellie Smith and Sophie Bell - For your amazing effort during our haka performance. You show discipline, passion and so much mana. Your pukana is impressive. You are a fantastic role model. I am so proud of you. Tumeke!
P4	Britney Yip - You are consistently focused on the job and making sure that you put your best effort into everything you do. I appreciate your focused attitude.
W1	<p>Chloe Maytham-Windle and Milli Stratton - For the dedication and effort you have put into your documentary planning and research. You have shown perseverance and a positive attitude towards your learning.</p> <p>Class of W1 - Thank you for being such a wonderful class to teach. It has been a real privilege to be your teacher for term one and I am looking forward to hearing about all the amazing things you go on to do throughout the year. Have fun and remember to always keep smiling. Arohanui, Whaea Kimberlee</p>
W2	Pauline Houghton - For supporting her peers and helping her teacher settle every day.
W3	Cate Phipps and Ruby Johnston - For the dedication and effort you have put into your documentary planning and research. You have shown perseverance and a positive attitude towards your learning.
W4	Angel Xiong - For your stunning creation of your visual pepeha. You thought creatively and abstractly to create images that represent yourself, your family, and your culture, whilst intertwining them all to show the family connection. I was proud of how you were able to describe your visual pepeha during our three way conference too. Keep up the awesome work and effort Angel!

Multi Materials	Lachlan Mead (P1), Larissa Murphy (K4) - The mahi you completed this week showed perseverance and resilience. Fantastic effort.
DigiTech	Noah Evans (K3), Juvan Van Staden (P3), Hori Niha (K2), Sidak Singh (W2) - You were a risk taker this week at Tech. You shared your ideas and understanding with peers and it is very much appreciated. Tino pai.
Art/Toi Ataata	Leo Salgado (K3) - For quickly understanding the high level of conduct in the art room. Leo, although you were delayed and entered the class in the middle of the lesson, you seamlessly joined in and contributed to class discussion positively. Well done.
Science	Lizzie Emtage (P4) - For your ability to understand and calmly carry out tasks in the lab. Lizzie, you are a fantastic listener and understand the high level of maturity required in the science lab. Perez Titoko-O'Brien (W1) - For your ability to understand and calmly carry out tasks in the lab. Perez you are a fantastic listener and understand the high level of maturity required in the science lab.
Food Technology	Ziera Campbell (K5) -You are very focused in the kitchen, showing initiative and skills! Best vegetable chopping I have seen. Tumeke Ziera! TK Paora (P4) - You are a determined young person, doing your best to follow recipes with enthusiasm and a beautiful smile. Jack Parsons and Noah Croucher (W3) - You have a great partnership which really shows when you are creating your masterpieces. You are focused and show initiative in the kitchen. Tumeke masterchefs!

Celebrations

👍 Congratulations to this week's recipient of our values trophy, **Leilani Fitzell-Waru, K1**. This award is given out each week to a role model student. *"All that I value I will uphold - he tohu whakamanawa."*

Well done to our merit award winners this week.

Thank you to everyone involved in the Mini Marathon this morning, particularly **Whaea Deana, Mrs Bocock, Whaea Moana and Matua Hori**.

Congratulations to newly elected deputy student council chairperson **Sophie Green** and secretary **Niko Weir**.

👍 Our lockdown this week showed us all what an amazingly tight team of staff we have. You rock!

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👍 For more go to our Facebook group page, Mokoia Intermediate 2022.

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Our School Values

Ūpoko Pakaru

Ēhara tāku toa i te toa takatahi, engari he toa takitini.

Our strength is not made from us alone, but made from many.

One of the things that becomes more and more emphasised is the strength of teamwork. We celebrate the team work of our students as they do well in sport, in student leadership situations and as kainga ako competing in their house competitions. And we celebrate the team work of our staff, for whom you need to be grateful. Your children are in great hands.



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