

# Newsletter

# Mokoia Intermediate



# Matua Rawiri's Shout Out

### **Tēnā Koutou Parents and Caregivers**

Congratulations to all kainga ako for their efforts in the waiata and haka competition yesterday. I am very proud of our students and staff being culturally responsive and aware. It is extremely wonderful to see so many of our students involved and enjoying the learning of Māori culture.

Congratulations to our EPro8 teams who participated in the EPro8 competition at Rotorua Intermediate on Wednesday afternoon, the Killer Burritos and the Mokoia Prodigies. We are very proud of your efforts. The Mokoia Prodigies achieved third place.

Basketball has started and we have eight teams in the competition, a total of 67 students involved. It is good to see we have had a positive start to the season. Thanks to the staff and parents giving up extra time to coach and take these teams for the season. Hockey and futsal are up and running; all the best for the season. Be humble in victory, and gracious in defeat!

We have been reviewing our emergency procedures, ensuring that our bell and PA system are in efficient order and managing other ways to communicate effectively if an emergency should arise.

Keeping everyone safe in our environment 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 4

• Friday 19th May - Pink Shirt Day

#### Term 2 Week 5

- Monday 22nd May Board meeting, 6pm
- Wednesday 24th May Friday 26th May Epro8 finals
- Thursday 25th May Year 7 Boostrix education session

### Term 2 Week 6

- Wednesday 31st May RGHS Legally Blonde Performance
- Thursday 1st June Jumping June

#### Term 2 Week 7

- Monday 5th June King's Birthday
- Tuesday 6th June Life Education starts

Term 2 Week 8

Term 2 Week 9

#### Term 2 Week 10

- 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

## 2023 Kapa Haka o Kainga Ako

Thank you to our kaiarahi i te reo, teaching and learning support staff from all learning centres, who enabled our ākonga to present their kapa haka performances in the annual house competition.

Our kaumatua, **Matua Paraone Pirika**, judged the groups. He had a huge smile on his face throughout. Judging was difficult because everyone looked amazing.

There had to be placings however. **Puarenga** was first in performance and **Kaituna** for being in house colours.

## 2023 Mokoia Intermediate Sports Codes of Conduct

Sadly every year we have to remind a small number of whānau about school sport etiquette.

We also remind our community that teachers are under no obligation to take sports teams and get no extra time or financial allowance to do so. Sadly we have lost keen teachers who now will no longer give up their personal time to coach and manage teams because of inappropriate parental input.

We do need parents to stand up and assist with coaching and managing teams. Coaching courses are frequently offered by local sports codes and organisations like Sport Bay of plenty.

We ask that students, coaches, managers, parents and caregivers complete and sign the forms which contain the following. They will be sent out on Seesaw and email or handed out by managers.

# <u>Students</u> who play in a Mokoia Intermediate sports team have an individual role and responsibilities:

- to be treated fairly and with respect
  - to have time on the court/field each game if they attend training
  - to be free of put downs from team members and adults
  - to be included as a team member
- to have opportunities to be trained/coached to improve their skill levels
- to enjoy being part of a team
- to treat others fairly and with respect
  - listen to the coach and referee
  - encourage and include other team members
  - be fair play/ good sportsmanship players and be a good winner and a good loser
  - inform the coach if they will be away
- to play their best practise and play hard
- to play to win, but not 'at all costs'
- to arrive at games and practices on time
- to practise and improve skills and fitness in their own time
- to take care of their uniform and sports gear and return it at the end of the season

# <u>Coaches and managers</u> of a Mokoia Intermediate sports team are volunteers who have an individual role and responsibilities:

- to be treated fairly and with respect
  - to be free of put downs from team members and adults
  - to be listened to by the team
  - to be acknowledged for their contribution
- to plan and implement regular training sessions as suitable for them
- to treat students and adults with respect
  - refrain from any form of verbal or emotional putdown
  - consider students' input
  - be on time to practices and games
  - inform students and their parents of changes to game/practice times
- to liaise with each other and with the school convenor of the sport being coached
- to give all players a fair share of game time
- to raise any concerns using the school's procedures
- to manage the conduct of players on and off the court/field (this includes removal from the game of students who use bad language, put down others or are disrespectful to others)
- to manage all gear, ensure it is maintained and is returned to the school at the end of the season
- to manage first aid issues, including hydration

# <u>Parents and caregivers</u> of a child in a Mokoia Intermediate sports team have an individual role and responsibilities:

- to be treated fairly and with respect
  - to be free of put downs from team members and adults
  - to be acknowledged for their support
- to treat students and adults with respect
  - refrain from any form of put down or criticism of students or other adults
  - inform the coach/manager if your child will be absent from a practice/game
  - respect the coach/manager's training programme
- cheer on and encourage our whole team and show appreciation of good play from both teams
- to raise any concerns using the school's procedures
- to take their child to the games/practices on time (half an hour early for a game)
- to encourage their child to maintain fitness levels and to practise in their own time
- to ensure their child takes good care of their uniform and gear and returns it at the end of the season

The teacher in charge of the particular sports code is the first point of contact at the school:

- For Netball elukis@mokoia.school.nz,
- Sports Coordinator <u>gupston@mokoia.school.nz</u>,
- or Mrs J Jones <u>jjones@mokoia.school.nz</u> (Deputy Principal) are also available for matters related to sports teams. Phone 345 9071

## **Basketball**

Basketball Results - Wednesday 10th May

Mokoia Integrity Y7 Boys 13 vs JPC Weka 17 - Player of the Day - Zavier Hodge-Roberts

Mokoia Girls Y8 Girls 23 vs RIS Kotiro 36 - Player of the Day - Taya Ngamoki-Hohepa

Mokoia Upoko Pakaru Y7 Girls 24 vs JPC Kotuku 20 - Player of the Day - Hayley Gribble , Kheny Raureti, Isabelle Paul

Mokoia Komaitanga Y8 Boys 15 vs JPC Whio 14 - Player of the Day - Kai Turkington

Mokoia Whakaiti Y7 Boys 6 vs RIS Teina 50 - Player of the Day - Rawiri Wall

Mokoia Passion Y8 Boys 13 vs RIS Kaitakaaro 12 - Player of the Day - Asante Conley

Mokoia Achieve Y8 Girls 11 vs RIS Hine 8 - Player of the Day - Te Ariki Heretaunga, Rongomai Paul

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.

- Matua Rawiri, Basketball Coordinator

## Chess

On Thursday 11th May, seven keen chess enthusiasts participated in an online chess tournament - The CheckMate Challenge. This tournament is open to players from all over New Zealand and consisted of 72 players from over ten teams nationwide.

In the comfort of our school library, our Mokoia Intermediate team played hard throughout the five rounds, walking away with some great results from all involved. Our Mokoia Intermediate Team came away in fifth place for the event, which is a fantastic result and one that all students can be

proud of. **Koki Hara** came in a commendable 12th and **Khelan Shors** came in 14th place, whilst both being tied on points.

I am very proud of all of our participants and am looking forward to the Chess Regionals in a few weeks time where we will be able to have more students involved. A big thank you must go out to the amazing parents who were able to come in and help with the running of the event during the day yesterday.

**Madhuri Shors** and **Taemi Hari**, will be running chess sessions during a lunchtime at Mokoia. They felt it was important the students started practising this week as the regional tournament is on May 30th.

If you want to find out more, contact me.

- Whaea Jess Gibbs, TIC Chess, jgibbs@mokoia.school.nz

## Hockey

### Hockey Friday 12th May

Mokoia Maddogs (1) vs Ruamata 4pm

Mokoia Mighty Ducks (2) vs JPC Blue 6pm

Mokoia Magic (3) vs Kaharoa Blue 5pm

Mokoia Madness (4) vs JPC Red 5pm

Parents please check the Rotorua Hockey website for draws in the future. They are posted for the next few weeks (Round 1).

Mokoia teams are named 1-4 on the website. See above for clarification.

- Gareth Upston, Sports Coordinator, <a href="mailto:gupston@mokoia.school.nz">gupston@mokoia.school.nz</a>

## **Merit Awards**

K1	<b>Daniel Parker</b> - For his diligence and willingness to work through challenges and strengthen his skills in Mathematics.
Rūmaki	Rongomai Paul - Maitaki roa! He ihuoneone kia manuia ai!
К3	<b>Xavier Peters</b> - You led our learning centre in our morning hui with confidence and you have been working diligently in class. Keep up the good work. You are proving you were a good choice for our class councillor.
K4	Briar Herris - You always push yourself and participate in extracurricular activities

	outside of school. You are a great role model for our year 7s.
K5	Kiri Riley - For the respectful and considerate way that you conduct yourself in the classroom and wider school. You are a reliable student who is always willing to help the people around you. Thank you for being you!
P1	<b>Felix Poole</b> - For the effort you consistently put into all your literacy and mathematical learning. You are pushing yourself, and taking your time to learn and use new strategies. You have such a positive attitude to learning and it is so great to see.
P2	Hayley Gribble - It has been wonderful to watch you grow in confidence this term and really have fun. You have been enthusiastic with your class and reading group discussions offering an insight to your localised knowledge and building on what you know. Well done Hayley.
P3	Suri Harris - For the way you have settled into Mokoia and P3. You always have beautiful manners and give everything a go. We love having you in our classroom Suri.
P4	Olivia Leach - You were a friendly and kind support to our new student. Thank you for showing the values so well.  Mekyla Ventner - Welcome to P4. Thank you for taking an active part in all of our experiences this week. You fit into P4 perfectly.
W1	<b>Evelyn May</b> - You have worked so hard this week on your documentary and should be proud of the finished product. Keep up the amazing work Evelyn! You are well on your way to being ready for high school! Ka Rawe!
W2	Piarimu Pukepuke -Taurua - A well liked and supportive member of our class/ learning centre. Piarimu is an all rounder, caring and supportive class member - we love her energy in our class - KEEP UP THE MAHI PIARIMU.
W3	Kai Turkington - Creating an authentic piece of music to use for their documentary on the city of Rotorua. You have worked well within your team Kai. Awesome work.  Manawa Curtis - Creating an authentic piece of music to use for their documentary on the city of Rotorua. You have worked well within your team Manawa. Awesome work.  Blake Morgan - Creating an authentic piece of music to use for their documentary on the city of Rotorua. You have worked well within your team Blake. Awesome work.
W4	Charlotte Woerd - For the amazing dedication and effort you have put into your documentary. You have collaborated extremely well with your partner, both managing your time effectively and constantly setting an excellent example for others. I look forward to watching your documentary next week.  Harriet Wright - For the amazing dedication and effort you have put into your documentary. You have collaborated extremely well with your partner, both managing your time effectively and constantly setting an excellent example for others. I look forward to watching your documentary next week.

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# **Celebrations**

Congratulations to this week's recipient of our values trophy, Cate Phipps W3. 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.

Puarenga are having an amazing trip today for their Puarenga stream exploration.

The sun is out!

Thank you **Matua Bert,** for dealing with the huge piles of leaves and the blocked drains that have come with the wild weather.

Congratulations to **Maddy Newcombe**. Maddy raced at Oceania BMX champs during the school holidays. She won the 10-11 girls and now has the rank of 01. Maddy also currently holds the ranks of NZ1 (11 girls), NI1 (10 girls) and SI3 (10-12 girls). She has also raced for and made the Mighty 11 team (as reserve) and will travel to Australia to train and race for 10 days from 30 June 2023. She has 2 x four hour training sessions each second weekend with her team, and also trains hard on her own in between those times. Maddy is also racing for NZ at the world champs in Glasgow, Scotland in August, in the 11 girls.

For more go to our Facebook group page, Mokoia Intermediate 2022. http://bit.ly/MokoiaFacebook

## **Our School Values**

### Whakaiti

### Nā tō rourou, nā taku rourouka ora ai te iwi.

With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive.

This whakataukī encapsulates the notion that while working in isolation might result in survival, working together can take people beyond survival and onto prosperity.



This is a relevant thought this week as we talk about school and community working together to create sports opportunities for our ākonga.

## **School Loop App**

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