

# MOKOIA INTERMEDIATE NEWSLETTER



TERM 2 WEEK 7 | 14 JUNE 2024

## MRS JONES'S SHOUT OUT

Kia ora koutou,

What a wonderful week it's been, filled with amazing achievements and memorable moments! It was fantastic to witness the incredible talent on display at the Show Quest and Wearable Arts/Toi events. Our students truly excelled, showcasing their creativity and dedication in spectacular fashion.

In sports, we've had another successful week with impressive performances at the CBOP Cross Country and the Chess Competition. Well done to all our participants—you've made us very proud!

As we approach the end of the term and winter takes full effect, we are noticing an increase in winter illnesses. It's important for students who are unwell to stay home, rest, and recover fully. This week alone, we had 7 teachers and 67 students absent due to illness. If your child is unwell, please remember to contact the school to let us know. You can report absences through Hero, leave a message on our phone, or simply reply to the absentee message sent out. We understand this can be missed in the morning rush, but your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Looking ahead, we are excited to host the EPro8 Semifinals and Finals next week. We wish all our participants the best of luck in their challenges and know they will represent our school with excellence.

Have a wonderful weekend, stay safe, and keep dry.

Mrs Jones and the "A" Team

*We are limitless! We are passionate! We are Mokoia!*





## KEY DATES FOR TERM 2 2024

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### Term 2 Week 8

- Monday 17th June - Mokoia Intermediate School Board Hui
- Wednesday 19th -21st June - EPro8 Competition
- Thursday 20th June - Voices of Hope Talk
- Friday 21st June - Super 11 League / Student Council school visit.

### Term 2 Week 9

- Tuesday 25th June - BOP Cross Country Champs
- **Thursday 27th June - 3 Way Conferences**
- **Friday 28th June - Matariki Day - No School and Mokoia Art Exhibition.**

### Term 2 Week 10

- Tuesday 2nd July - Vision and Hearing Testing / RGHS Leadership Day
- Wednesday 3rd July - 7th July - Tai Mitchell Tournament
- Friday 5th July - Last day of Term 2 / School Haka Competition Block 4

## KEY DATES FOR 2024

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### Term 3

Monday 22nd July - Friday 27th September

### Term 4

Monday 14th October - Friday 13th December

Monday 28th October - Labour Day

Friday 13th December - Last day of year

Monday 16th December - Teacher's Only Day

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

## Mr Upston's Turf Talk

Well done to the strong team of 24 cross country runners who represented Mokoia on Tuesday at the CBOP Inter-school.

Those who finished top 6 in their respective age groups are now eligible to compete in the BOP Inter-school on the 25th June.

Just a reminder to parents/caregivers that sports fees are due/overdue and need to be paid. Please contact Sue or Karyn in the school office to check outstanding balances.

Thanks  
Mr Upston

## Celebrations

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👍 Well done to all our students who received merit awards this week.

👍 Congratulations to all of your students who participated in the Rotorua Chess Regionals Event on Tuesday. It was so neat to see so many of our students taking part. A massive congratulations to Koki who came away with second place with some strong competition.

👍 Congratulations to our students at Showquest and Wearable arts on Monday. It was just absolutely wonderful to watch. We are so very proud of you all for the effort and time you have put in.

👍 A huge congratulations to our Netball and Basketball players who have represented our kura each week in their respective sports. It is so lovely to get the weekly updates on how your games are going.

# CBOP Interschool Cross Country Results

## 11-Year-Old Boys - Race 7

Placing	First Name	Last Name	School
1	Carter	Smith	Otonga
2	Max	Schuster	John Paul College
3	Zach	Goodson	Rotorua Intermediate
4	Reuben	Barter	Mokoia
5	Kobe	Rapana	Mokoia
6	Mac	Hereford	Mokoia

Placing	First Name	Last Name	School
1	Sofia	Chapman	Mokoia
2	Lily	Fisher	Mokoia
3	Ava	Fiske	John Paul College
4	Laksmi	Leuchs	Mokoia
5	Anika	Greyling	Mokoia
6	Millie	Coull-Roberts	Mokoia

## 12+ Year Old Girls - Race 10

Placing	First Name	Last Name	School
1	Charlotte	Halliday	John Paul College
2	Grace	Fry	Mokoia
3	Olivia	Filipo	Mokoia
4	Mata	Wairepo	Rotorua Intermediate
5	Nethalie	Ralage	John Paul College
6	Charlotte	Hodge	Mokoia

## 12+ Year Old Boys - Race 9

Placing	First Name	Last Name	School
1	Matthew	Wallace	Mokoia
2	Jack	Bradcock	Mokoia
3	Marcus	Ryan	Rotorua Intermediate
4	Axel	Garmonsway	Mokoia
5	Kade	Fraser	Kaitao
6	Taine	Dyson	Mokoia

## CHECK OUT OUR AMAZING VALUE - KŌMAITANGA

Whānaungatanga is one of our new Mokoia School values, embodying the concept of relationships. The representation with the colour red ties its connection to the Tino Rangatiratanga flag.

Whānaungatanga is about understanding that by working together, building relationships and supporting each other, we all succeed together. Whānaungatanga is a concept at Mokoia that we strive to encompass every day. In our classrooms, our Kāinga ako, and coming together as one to tautoko each individual when they are taking part in sport, performances or anything academic.

### **Hinemaru - Ko wai te tupuna? - Who is the ancestor?**

Hinemaru is the eponymous female ancestor who lived upon the shores of Lake Rotorua, at Ōwhata. She is the daughter of Uenukukōpako. Her husband Umukaria left the Rotoiti region to live with her at Ōwhata. Together Hinemaru and Umukaria begat three mighty children who all rose to power in their own right. The most powerful of them all was Hinemoa.

### **Why was she selected?**

Hinemaru was chosen by the Kāhui Ako and aligned to represent the value, Whanaungatanga. As the daughter of Uenukukōpako and grandmother of Hinemoa, her inclusion is absolutely necessary.

### **Whānaungatanga in our school community**

Whānaungatanga at Mokoia looks like students fostering and maintaining friendships and interpersonal relationships through a deep sense of community and belonging. All adults within our kura play a pivotal role in creating a supportive environment where students feel connected to their place, family, and heritage, and can enhance their sense of identity. Being a good team member, showing empathy, and helping others with one's knowledge are integral to this approach. Additionally, an understanding of the significance of Te Roro o te Rangi to Mokoia Intermediate, further enriches these relationships.

### **What does it mean to us?**

**Mrs Jones** - Whānaungatanga is about connectedness and being together. It is about meeting new people and appreciating their differences.





## MERIT AWARDS - KĀINGA AKO

<b>Rūmaki</b>	<b>Rongomai Paul</b> - He iti rearea Kahikatea ka taea. Maitaki tāhau aronga ki tāhau mahinga. Māuruuru maitaki e hine.
<b>K3</b>	<b>Cordell Toa</b> - Cordell has been working hard in class and listening carefully to instructions. Keep it up Cordell!
<b>K4</b>	<p><b>Tregin Marukore-Sakeo</b> - I am so proud of all your hard work and commitment shown towards your participation in the Toi wearable arts competition. It was wonderful seeing you shine on stage. Ka rawe Tregin.</p> <p><b>Emily HARBORD</b> - I am so proud of you and the commitment, dedication and resilience you showed during show quest season. It was truly magnificent watching you shine on stage and seeing you beam in class. Well done Emily!</p> <p><b>Millie Coull-Roberts</b> - I am so proud of your show quest performance! Your commitment and beam on stage were truly magnificent. Well done, Millie.</p>
<b>K5</b>	<b>Casey Coetzee</b> - for your quiet focus in class. Casey, you are discovering that there is a time to be formal and a time to be informal. Understanding these concepts, is a true sign of maturity and academic confidence.
<b>P1</b>	<b>Ariana Anderson</b> - I am so proud of the way you push yourself to continuously achieve your success criteria in writing. You have made great progress the past few weeks 🌟 Mahi tika ana!
<b>P2</b>	<p><b>Kalissa Fitzell</b> - For consistently showing the school values and working hard to meet your high expectations that you set yourself. It is lovely to see your positivity and enthusiasm everyday. Thank you 😊</p> <p><b>Destiny Apirana</b> - It is wonderful to have you in P2, you make an excellent addition to our whanau. It is fantastic to see how hard you work and the effort you put into completing your work to a high standard. I enjoy your cheerful morning greetings Destiny, thank you 😊</p>
<b>P3</b>	<p><b>Caylin Von Loggenburg</b> - for the way you have settled into new routines in P3. You always listen beautifully and have lovely manners. Your bookwork is amazing and you complete your work on time and to a high standard. Thank you Caylin. 😊</p> <p><b>Lucas Dakin-Hoy</b> - for working cooperatively with your team to produce an impressive inquiry about Chinook Salmon. You can work independently and you set yourself very high standards. It has been lovely to watch you grow in confidence. We appreciate the humility you show towards your classmates. Keep being you Lucas. 😊</p>
<b>P4</b>	-
<b>W1</b>	<b>Maddy Newcombe</b> - Well done on your fantastic mahi this week. You have been working so hard to catch up on the mahi you missed whilst you were away - what a great attitude you have and tremendous work habits too. Keep up the amazing work Maddy. Ka Mau Te Wehi Maddy.
<b>W2</b>	<p><b>Blu Rayne Wetini Wahia</b> - Whanaungatanga - Blu Rayne is engaging in all aspects of his learning and taking the lead and demonstrating how to be reliable and responsible. Ka Mau Te Wehi Blu Rayne!</p> <p><b>Tama Samuels</b> - Manaākitanga - Tama participated in our chess competition this week. He showed respect and offered kindness to our visitors. Miharo koe Tama!</p>
<b>W3</b>	<b>Fergus Herries</b> - Fergus I have noticed just how hard you have been working in class lately. You have really put a lot of effort into making sure you are on task and not distracted. I am really impressed with the quality of work you are producing and how far you have come with your handwriting and book presentation. Keep it up!
<b>W4</b>	<b>Ollie Pemberton</b> - For your constant hard work and dedication to all areas of your learning. You are always focussed and on task, ensuring all of your work is completed on time and to a high standard. You are a terrific role model for your peers, an absolute pleasure to teach, and we love having you in W4. Keep up the fabulous effort Ollie!



## MERIT AWARDS - TECHNOLOGY AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

<p><b>Art/Toi Ataata</b></p>	<p><b>Emily Thomas W3</b>- Emily the care, skill and enthusiasm that you bring to Art is fantastic! You are not afraid to explore new ideas, experiment and take creative risks. I'm excited to see where your wonderful imagination takes you this term. He whetū koe!</p> <p><b>Chance Kemp P2</b>- Chance thankyou for the thoughtful, insightful and kind contributions that you made to our class discussion when we were exploring artist Shaun Tan's animated film. You have an amazing imagination and by sharing your thoughts so openly with the class you inspired us all! We are lucky to have you in Toi Ataata. He whetū koe!</p> <p><b>Atarau Eapapara K5</b>- Atarau the perseverance, thought and care that you have quietly put into your mahi in Toi Ataata is really paying off. Your recent drawing is excellent! I can see you developing your own artistic style which takes a lot of skill. You should be really proud. Ka mau te whehi!</p>
<p><b>Science / Putaiao</b></p>	<p><b>Laila Clayton-Kent K4</b>- for owning your learning and lifting your academic confidence. Laila, speaking up in class is an art that must be practised. Whether you are right or wrong, it is the attempt that is important. This award is for your active participation in classroom discussion.</p> <p><b>Millie Olphert K4</b> - for your positive participation in class. Millie, you are discovering that your approach to learning is just as important as the learning itself. Keep your self talk positive, and good things will follow.</p> <p><b>Layla-Rose Wiringi P3</b> - For your graceful focus and positive participation in science. Layla - Rose you are able to quickly make connections with concepts surrounding science. Being curious about how the world works, is one of the attributes of science literacy,</p> <p><b>Eben Shaw P2</b> - For your developing academic confidence. Eben, you have the ability to understand and describe the difference between atoms, elements, compounds and mixtures. New learning is supposed to be challenging, but you the necessary resilience to make sense of new concepts.</p> <p><b>Keira Baker W1</b> - For your excellent participation in class. Keira, material science is easy for you, and you have a natural talent in this learning area. Be sure to explore the sciences at high school. You may actually enjoy it.</p>
<p><b>Food Technology</b></p>	<p><b>Harper Moore P1 - Upoko Pakaru</b> Harper you a self directed learner, who listens carefully then gets on with the learning task, you always feedback in discussions all whilst bringing the "Harper energy"</p> <p><b>Jessica Ward P4 - Komaitanga</b> Jess you show a clear understanding of the learning tasks and are able to work independently and then complete detailed reflections. Tumeke!</p> <p><b>Abbey Garden P3 - Whanaungatanga</b> Abbey, you are a wonderful classmate that will happily give up your time and use your knowledge to help others. You are a pleasure to have in food tech.</p>
<p><b>Health and Physical Education</b></p>	<p><b>Mokoia CBOP Cross Country runners</b> - All 24 who represented the school on Tuesday ran their best. Awesome resilience and perseverance.</p>

## DON'T FORGET

**School Lunches** - We, unfortunately do not qualify for the Government lunch programme. We do however try our best to provide kai for those who need it.

Breakfast club is now open three mornings per week, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 8:15am - 8:45am. We serve Milo, toast and cereal.

We also purchase fruit from a local supplier and serve it at morning tea and St Vincent de Paul who donate to our breakfast club.

We would be grateful for any donations.

How you can help;

- Donate kai - we always need margarine, milo and toast.
- Donate a koha through the school bank account
- Volunteer to run breakfast club on Tuesday or Thursday morning.

**Due to allergies, we would please ask that no Peanut Butter and Nutella is donated.**

Mokoia Intermediate has a **Mokoia School Board Hui once a month**. This is **held in the staffroom from 6pm**. **The next Board of Trustees Hui is Monday 17th of June at 6pm.**

For more information go to our Facebook group page, Mokoia Intermediate 2024 or the Hero app. <http://bit.ly/MokoiaFacebook>

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**AGE 5-13 YEARS**

**8-19th JULY**

# SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

**DAILY SCHEDULE:**

- 8-9.30: Intro and Games
- 9.30-10.30: Gym Sport Skills
- 10.30-11.00: Morning tea break
- 11.00-11.30: Free Play
- 11.30-2.30: Daily activity & lunch break
- 2.30-3.00: Quiet games (SHORT DAY ends)
- 3.15-5.15: Afternoon tea and play

**ACTIVITIES:**

- GYMNASTICS
- CIRCUITS & GAMES
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- TRAMPOLINE CHALLENGES
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**Aronui Arts Festival**  
28 May at 18:22 · 🌐

E te Iwi, how are you celebrating Matariki this year?

We're just over one moon cycle away from Matariki rising during Tangaroa ki Pipiri, heralding in the new year for the people of the Rotorua region.

Join us at the Rotorua Lakefront for our show 'Matariki', where 160 drones will take the sky to tell the story of how our whetū are connected to the taiao.

Where: Rotorua Lakefront  
When: June 27 & 28. Markets from 5PM. Drone Light Show at 8PM.

Bring the whānau and join us in celebrating the new year.

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