

MOKOIA INTERMEDIATE NEWSLETTER



TERM 3 WEEK 7 | 6 SEPTEMBER 2024

MATUA RAWIRI'S SHOUT OUT

Kia ora Mokoia whānau,

As we move towards the end of Term 3, we can feel the warmth of the sun returning, and it's great to see the weather improving. It reminds us that summer is just around the corner!

This week, there is an important message in the newsletter regarding the \$80 technology fee. We kindly ask all parents and caregivers to take a moment to read this. The fee helps our kura cover the cost of the materials students use in their technology projects. Whether it's hard Materials, Art, or Food Technology, these resources are essential for everything our students create and learn in this vital part of the curriculum. Your support in paying this fee ensures we can continue to provide quality hands-on experiences.

From this Saturday, 98 of our Mokoia Intermediate students will officially begin their AIMS competitions. A lot of time, effort, fundraising, and hard work has gone into preparing for this moment. We're thrilled to send over a quarter of our school to represent us in a wide range of sports. We couldn't be prouder of all our students who are competing, and we wish them the absolute best of luck.

I also want to take this opportunity to extend a huge thank you to all the people behind the scenes who have helped get our students to this point. To the coaches and managers who have given countless hours to organising and training, the parents who baked for fundraisers, transported students to practices, and supported them at every step - your efforts are deeply appreciated.

Lastly, a massive thank you to Mr. Upston, our Sports Coordinator, for your incredible work in organising our AIMS entrants. The logistics of preparing so many students for this event is no small job, and you've done an exceptional job ensuring no sport is missed. Your dedication to our students success shines through in the hard work you have put into organising all of this.

Ngā mihi nui

Matua Rawiri and the "A" Team

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



KEY DATES FOR TERM 3 2024

Term 3 Week 8 - AIMS GAMES WEEK

- Monday 9th September to Friday 12th September - Clued Up Camper
- Monday 9th September to Friday 12th September - AIMS Game
- Monday 9th September - Healthy Active Learning
- Tuesday 10th September - WHPS Open Day

Term 3 Week 9

- Tuesday 17th September - RGHS Sports Academy Day

Term 3 Week 10

- Friday 27th September - Last Day of Term / Haka Competition

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

KEY DATES FOR 2024

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Dear Parents and Whānau,

We wanted to do a reminder about the **\$80 technology fee**, which is essential for providing all the consumable materials that our students use in their technology classes.

This fee covers a variety of items that students need to create their projects, including wood for bird boxes and propagation stations, art supplies, and ingredients for the delicious recipes they make in Food Tech. Please note that this \$80 fee is separate from the \$150 contribution we receive from the government.

We understand that times can be tough in the current economic climate, and we appreciate your payment of this fee. If you do not wish to pay it in full, you are welcome to set up an automatic payment for any small, regular amount that works for you. This can be arranged weekly, fortnightly, or monthly and will go directly to your child's account to cover expenses like this.

If you have any questions or need further information, please don't hesitate to contact Sue in the office.

Celebrations

👍 Congratulations to all students who received a merit award this week.

👍 A massive congratulations to our **Chess** teams who competed in the **Rotorua Regional Chess Tournament** this week. After a fantastic effort and a nail-biting finish, we have secured **five spots in Nationals**.

👍 A massive congratulations to **Noah Evans** for a huge achievement last weekend. Noah competed in the **Pump Track Nationals** in Hawke's Bay over the weekend and finished in first place, so is now **NZ1 for 13-14 boys**.





MERIT AWARDS - KĀINGA AKO

K3	Emily Rossiter - We are very proud of Emily being brave and giving high jump a go. Also for her speaking on behalf of her group at the library trip. Well done Emily.
K4	Roxanne Coker - It was a real pleasure watching you shine when you presented your speech. You made it very enjoyable. Well done!
K5	Kilarhn Fitzell - You have impressed me with your speech writing the last few weeks. Your speech is very informative, interesting for your audience, and has a dash of humour. Fantastic effort!
P1	Makairi Toa - For the effort you are putting into your maths and speech the past two weeks. You are always kind to others and such a loyal friend. We are blessed to have you in P1!
P2	<p>Salara Fitzell - You are consistently working hard at writing your speech. It has been wonderful to see you check and double check that it makes sense for your audience, that you have all the relevant information and that it is the right length of time. I am excited to hear you present it. 😊</p> <p>Kalissa Fitzell - For your kind, calm, gentle manner. You have a wonderful sense of humour and such an empathetic nature. Thank you for consistently being you. 😊</p>
P3	Lazeilia Fitzell, Ethan Hucker & Lucas Dakin-Hoy - for the determination, passion and patience you showed when competing in the Regional Chess Tournament. Congratulations for winning a medal. We are very proud of you. 😊
W1	Amaia-Lee Grant - Well done on presenting your speech to our class!! I know that this was hard for you to do and you overcame some fears to do so!! I am so proud of you and you should be proud of yourself too!! Keep up the great work Amaia!! Ka Rawe!
W3	Jimmy West - For never giving up and working hard to present your speech, even when it was tough. You kept trying and finally shared your speech with the class, and everyone is so proud of your determination and effort!
W4	<p>Laurel Papps - For the awesome effort you put into your speech and for your great delivery to the class. You spoke clearly and with conviction which captured your audience. You are a great speaker in front of a big group. Tino Pai!</p> <p>Atareta Yorke - For showing courage and bravery by getting up in front of your classmates to present your speech on Basketball. I was very proud of you for doing it despite the resistance at the start. Your eagerness to do it again so you can improve your public speaking is very commendable. Well done.</p> <p>Tyler Druiff-Moss - For conquering your fear of public speaking and showing courage this week by presenting your speech on dirt bikes to the class. Well done for not giving into your fears Tyler and for sharing with us your interesting facts about the bikes you love. Great work.</p>



MERIT AWARDS - TECHNOLOGY AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Art/Toi Ataata	<p>Zavier Wright P3: Zavier well done for the excellent screen printing that you produced last lesson in Art tech. You managed yourself like an absolute pro! It is a pleasure to have you in the Art. I can't wait to see what you create next!</p> <p>Devon Murray P1: Devon you have been creating beautiful work in Art this term! You are thoughtful, hardworking and it is a pleasure having you in the class. I can't wait to see what you create next. He whetū koe!</p> <p>Paige Ramson K3: Paige the positive energy and enthusiasm that you've brought to Art this term is fantastic! You are always one of the first people to support and encourage others in the class. Thank you for your kindness!</p> <p>Campbell Porter K4: Campbell the positive energy and enthusiasm that you bring to Art is excellent! You are not afraid to explore new ideas, experiment and take creative risks with your work. The way you get stuck in is brilliant! He whetū koe!</p> <p>Katara Daniela W2: Katara the thought, care and effort that you quietly put into your work in Art is excellent. You have created some beautiful mahi toi and should be very proud of your efforts. Ka mau te wehi!</p> <p>Laurel Papps W4: Laurel the positive energy, enthusiasm and skill that you always bring to Art Tech and Art Extension is amazing! You have a wonderful creative mind and it is exciting to see your original and innovative ideas take shape. Thank you for always inspiring those around you. Keep shining bright!</p> <p>Kayla Walker K2: Kayla the mahi toi that you have been creating in Toi Ataata this term is beautiful! You have demonstrated amazing skill when working with uku. I can't wait to see what you create next. Ka mau te wehi. He whetū koe!</p>
Science / Putaiiao	<p>Phillip Swart K5 - Thank you for the wonderful manaakitanga you've shown in Hard Materials Technology to the year 6 manuhiri visiting our kura. We are lucky to have you as one of our inspiring leaders!</p> <p>Simon Lescheid W1 - Thank you for the wonderful manaakitanga you've shown in Hard Materials Technology to the year 6 manuhiri visiting our kura. We are lucky to have you as one of our inspiring leaders!</p> <p>Macy Green P2 - Thank you for the wonderful manaakitanga you've shown in Hard Materials Technology to the year 6 manuhiri visiting our kura. We are lucky to have you as one of our inspiring leaders!</p> <p>Joshua Myburgh K5 - Thank you for the wonderful manaakitanga you've shown in Hard Materials Technology to the year 6 manuhiri visiting our kura. We are lucky to have you as one of our inspiring leaders!</p> <p>Hayley Gribble P4 - Thank you for the wonderful manaakitanga you've shown in Hard Materials Technology to the year 6 manuhiri visiting our kura. We are lucky to have you as one of our inspiring leaders!</p>



MR UPSTON'S TURF TALK

AIMS

Aims 2024 begins tomorrow with both Futsal teams beginning their tournament. Other team codes begin on Sunday and Monday. Live scores and updates can be found on the AIMS games App, and you can download this for free from any App store.

Individual competitors have a range of starting times/days. Parents managing their own children please regularly check the App/Website for updated info and draws/seedings. Be mindful traffic can be horrendous in Tauranga throughout the week, allowing for delays.

Lastly students give it your all whether competing within a team or as an individual. It's a privilege not a right to compete in an AIMS team. Work together for your team's common goal. Teams that succeed are teams that communicate and encourage each other, promoting confidence within the team environment. Never give up. Be humble in defeat and victory. Lastly, have FUN !!

Tarawera Trail term 4

Classroom teachers will be in contact in the coming weeks asking for parents who are willing to help. We only need a certain number of parents per classroom. Your child's teacher will confirm who's required. This is a compulsory learning experience within the PE programme, students shouldn't be staying home to avoid attending. We allow plenty of time for everyone to complete the trail. Please see the newsletter sent home or posted on Hero in coming weeks for dates your child's class will walk the trail.

CHECK IT OUT!

! **School Lunches** - Unfortunately, we are no longer receiving donated lunches each day for our ākonga. This is very sad for us, but we are continuing to offer toast and warm Milo at Breakfast Club, and the school is purchasing fruit each week to supply to our students. We understand we have students that might need kai and will do the best we can to offer fruit if we can.

! **Breakfast Club** is now open three mornings per week, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 8:15 am - 8:45 am. We serve Milo, toast, and Weet-Bix. We also purchase fruit from a local supplier and serve it at morning tea, and St Vincent de Paul contributes sandwiches for the students one day a week. 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.

For more information, go to our Facebook group page, Mokoia Intermediate 2024, or the Hero app.

<http://bit.ly/MokoiaFacebook>



CHECK IT OUT



Advanced Outdoors Camp
Week 2 (7th-11th October):
@ Ngamuwahine Lodge (NEW VENUE!!)
\$675

We have an amazing week lined up with bush walks, archery, air rifle, fire building and cooking, hut building, orienteering, kayaking, high ropes, rock-climbing, paintball & laser tag.

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