



tasman school

Est. 1913

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday 17 March

Muddy Buddy

Wednesday 20 - Friday 22 March

Life Education Bus

Friday 29 March

Good Friday - Easter

Monday 1 April

Easter Monday - Holiday

Tuesday 2 April

Easter Tuesday - Holiday

Thursday 4 April

Student/Parent/Teacher Goal
Setting Conferences

Monday 8 April

Waka Hourua Festival at
Kaiteretera (Kaiteriteri) - Ruru
Class

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora koutou,

Thank you to our parent supporters who transported Weka Class to Tahunanui on Monday for the Mana Whaitake event that was part of a Seaweed initiative.

On Wednesday, 32 of our students from Year 4 - 8 attended the Motueka District Interschool Swimming Sports. Thank you to parent helpers who supported us to attend this event. Our students participated well and by all reports demonstrated excellent behaviour. We are still awaiting official results, so hopefully we'll be able to publish these next week.

Muddy Buddy is upon on us and we can breathe a sigh of relief that the weather is looking good. Plenty of hard work has gone into the preparation of this event. Our Tasman School Fundraising Association has an awesome team that organise and manage this event. It is hard to believe what this relatively small group of people achieves each year. This is made more impressive when we consider the juggling of tasks around their own professional workloads.

Good things take time ... Each era of the Tasman School Fundraising Association (TSFA) leaves behind a legacy. Our current school community benefits from the work of a different era in the form of the Tasman School Community Swimming Pool. Muddy Buddy contributed to us having a substantial fund of \$75,000 that allowed us to get the ball rolling with the swimming pool project. Such decent sized funds allowed us to apply for the big grant for the swimming pool. We received a figure of \$126,000 to start the swimming pool construction and from this point onwards other sizeable donations allowed us to complete the project to the state that it is now in and not have any debt.

A similar approach is being taken with a new playground project. The Tasman School Fundraising Association has been asked to hold funds raised from Muddy Buddy, so that there is no confusion within school accounting. This money is in term deposit. TSFA has recognised that financial times are tough and some smaller amounts have been allocated to the school to reduce costs for parents in the form of school camps and day trips, such as Whenua Iti. This occurred last year and a contribution will be made this year. After this weekend's Muddy Buddy we are most likely at a point in which we can attempt a grant application for a significant contribution towards a new playground.

We look forward to everyone's support on Sunday to make this a successful event.

Ngā mihi nui,

Rob

Principal's Weekly Comment

Weekly Community Comment - Term 1 Week 8 2024 - Monday 18th - 22nd Friday March / Poutū-te-rangi

"He aroha whakatō, he aroha puta mai"

- If kindness is sown, then kindness you shall receive.

Weekly School Goal: *Nurturing learners who care about those around them and the world we live in, so that all maintain good health.*

Key points for this week:

Monday / Rahina 18th

- Cindy is in Kea Class
- Maia is out for CRT and SENCO hui - Melanie is in Kererū Class
- Hui at 10:00am
- Staff meeting at 3:15pm

Tuesday / Rātu 19th

- Cindy is in Kea Class
- Cindy is out for CRT - 9am - 11:45am - Melanie is in Kea Class
- Ally is out for CRT - 11:45am - 3pm - Melanie is in Tūi Class

Wednesday / Rāapa 20th

- Life Education Bus and Harold the Giraffe visiting
- Lisa is out for day off
- Cindy is in Kea Class
- Maia is out for day off - Melanie is in Kererū Class
- Alex is out for a medical appointment in the afternoon - Rob to cover

Thursday / Rāpare 21st

- Rob at Motueka Kāhui Ako Principals' meeting at 7:45am
- Life Education Bus and Harold the Giraffe visiting
- Cate is in Kea Class

Friday / Rāmāre 22nd

- Life Education Bus and Harold the Giraffe visiting
- Cate is in Kea Class
- Rob is away for booked leave

Upcoming dates

Term 1

- Good Friday public holiday - school closed - Friday 29th March (Term 1, Week 9)
- Easter Monday public holiday - school closed - Monday 1st April (Term 1, Week 10)
- Easter Tuesday school holiday - school closed - Tuesday 2nd April (Term 1, Week 10)
- Parent/Teacher/Student goal setting conferences - Thursday 4th April (Term 1, Week 10)
- Waka Hourua Festival at Kaiteretere (Kaiteriteri) - Ruru Class - Monday 8th April (Term 1, Week 11)
- Last day of Term 1 - Friday 12th April (Term 1, Week 11)

Term 2

- First day of Term 2 - Monday 29th April (Term 2, Week 1)
- King's Birthday public holiday - school closed - Monday 3rd June (Term 2, Week 6)
- Motueka Kāhui Ako Teacher only day - school closed - Tuesday 4th June (Term 2, Week 6)
- Year 8 Leadership Camp - Hanmer Springs - 3rd - 7th June (Term 2, Week 6) - survey sent last year, more information to follow soon)
- Matariki public holiday - school closed - Friday 28th June (Term 2, Week 9)

Class Awards

Lexia Award

Scarlett Manderson

- Tūi**
 - Rumi Illingworth
 - Kitianu Ropiha
- Kea**
 - William Cliff
 - Sylvie Thomas
- Kererū**
 - Jazmine Taylor
 - Sienna Fenn
- Ruru**
 - Florence Forster
 - Ayran Moody



The poster for the Muddy Buddy Adventure Fun Run features a bright yellow background with a dark, splattered mud graphic in the center. The text 'tasman school' is at the top, followed by 'MUDDY BUDDY' in large, bold, yellow letters. Below that, it says 'Adventure Fun Run' and 'SUNDAY 17 MARCH 2024' at 'TASMAN SCHOOL'. A photograph shows three people covered in mud, smiling. Text below the photo lists amenities like 'FOOD | COFFEE | SILENT AUCTION | WHITE ELEPHANT STALL & MORE!' and 'GREAT SPOT PRIZES! Incl. 2 BIKES from MY RIDE RICHMOND'. It also mentions 'PRIZES FOR THE BEST ECO DRESS-UP!' and provides entry details: 'ENTER ONLINE | \$15 per person | \$40 family', 'ENTER ON THE DAY | \$20 per person | \$50 family', and 'SIGN IN 9.30-11am | RACE STARTS 11.30am'. At the bottom, it lists lap options: 'EACH LAP APPROX 1KM | 1 LAP - Kids, Family Fun, Open | 2 LAPS - Open | 3 LAPS - Open' and the website 'www.tasman.school.nz'.





MĀPUA

Fridays | 4.30pm | Year 6-9

16 Feb - 22 March

Māpua Domain

Free

REGISTER AT: yeahgirls.nz | dustin@nelsoncricket.org.nz

Did you know Motueka has a Swimming Club?

We swim at the Motueka High School pool and have a range of levels available.



MOTUEKA

SWIM CLUB

Swimming Season: November - March



Penguins Squad: (Swimming NZ Level 2)

7 years and over, who are water confident and can swim a basic freestyle. Coach is not in the pool with children. (2 sessions/week)



Dolphins Squad: (Swimming NZ Level 3)

Focus on correct freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke technique. (2 sessions/week)



Orcas Squad (2 sessions/week):

10 years and over, confident swimmers that wish to improve their techniques (including butterfly) and increase their endurance.

Training Squad:

Trains 4 sessions/week, may attend meets. For swimmers who still want to improve technique and train as a squad but may not want to swim competitively.

Competitive Squad:

Trains 4 sessions/week, attend meets, intense focus on perfecting stroke technique, speed, and endurance.

Email motuekaswimclub@gmail.com for more information.

Enrolments beginning October 2024.

If you are keen for more competitive swimming, we do offer winter swimming at ASB Aquatic Centre in Richmond – and opportunity to compete at Swimming NZ meets.



Motueka Swim Club