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MOKAU SCHOOL

"Together We Can Do It!"

WEEK3 TERM4, 31st October 2014

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Kia Ora Everyone: What a windy week we have had. I hope that everyone still has their roof firmly attached and feared better than one of our local's properties. Mokau School were well represented and had a very successful Tainui Day coming away as overall points champions by a very small margin with Mimi close on our hooves. Our students were introduced to our production this week and liked the idea of Red Riding Hood weaving her way through the forest meeting other fairy tale characters while on her epic journey to deliver her precious cargo. Student's hands were all very quickly raised to nominate themselves for the various roles which are now being finalised. It is sure to be an entertaining, fun-filled play where everyone will get an opportunity to shine. Our gardens are looking great and we have created our own gardening group. Thanks to Wends and Liz who have offered to help with Athletics.

**Ben Single
Principal**

**Happy Birthday to Lily Single (5)
who started school on Wednesday
also Reece who turns 7 on
Saturday.**

Awards

Duffy: This week's Duffy Award goes to Joshua Black for Reading! We know you are a great reader Josh, keep up the good work.

Best foot Forward: Francis O'Sullivan-Lobb for nurturing and watering our seedlings to ensure their survival.

Brain of the Week: Oliver Hutchinson for improvement in writing, what a great Agricultural Day newspaper article!

Sunhats

Can all children please ensure they have a sun hat to wear each day as they will be required to wear one in the playground.

Absences

If your child is going to be absent can you please contact the school or send a signed note with the reason for the absences. Also can parents please ensure that their children are at school before the 9 o'clock bell.

People Savers: Next Thursday our senior class will be travelling to Ahititi for the day to be involved in the "People Savers" programme run by Red Cross. People Savers introduces and familiarises students with basic hands-on first aid skills for emergency situations and is facilitated by a trained New Zealand Red Cross first aid instructor. Upon completing the course, each student receives a self-completed first aid manual they can take home with them and a People Saver's first aid certificate. The course will run from 9.15 to 2.15 and students will be provided transport. We apologise about the short notice but this was too good an opportunity to pass up. Can permission forms please be returned on Monday.

Mokau School Calf results

Senior Calf Rearing

1st Tessa Smyth
2nd Gemma Jones
3rd Gemma Jones

Senior Calf Leading

1st Gemma Jones
2nd Dylan King
3rd Tessa Smyth

LIC Ribbon

Tessa Smyth

School Photos: We will be having our school photos on the 10th November. Please return envelopes with payment to the office before this date.

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Trophies: Could all Athletics trophies be returned to school as soon as possible please.

Athletics: We will be travelling to Ahititi School for Tainui Athletics on Friday the 14th Nov. Permission & travel forms are attached.

School Pool

We are aiming to have the pool open from the weekend of November 15th. Keys will be available from our school office until the end of term then will be available from Whitebait Inn. We will confirm the opening next week.

School Production:

Next week our students will be getting familiar with our story line for our production. We will then be looking for our actors, actresses, singers, dancers and entertainers. Our production is based on popular fairy tales with a twist. If you are interested in getting involved with this year's production then please get in contact with us. We will be looking for people to help with props, costumes and other roles.

ARCHERY Course: Costs for the beginners course (2 x 3hr **Saturday** lessons) will be \$120 each if they are held here in Mokau or \$90 each, including petrol if we travel to New Plymouth. All equipment provided. This looks to be the cheaper option. 4 places remaining. Contact Te Waitiehu 7529-761 a.s.a.p.

Garden: Over the next few weeks our students will be starting to set up our composting and worm farm. If you have experience with this or are interested in finding out more please contact Diane or Ben. We have also received some more donations of seedlings for our garden and have planted out some pumpkins in the Wildside. If you have spare plants or produce that is excess please contact the school and we will either use it or distribute it back into the community.

School Uniforms

Please have a look for any school uniform items that may have gone home as there are a few items missing. If you have any please return them as soon as possible.

What's coming up?

Term 3

November

6th People Savers @ Ahititi

10th School Photos

14th Athletics @Ahititi

December

11th School Production TBC

17th Term 4 Ends Potato Weigh In & Family Fun Day.

