



Together we can do it – ka taea e tatou – together we are able

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Great Stuff! Thanks to the parents who attended last week's meeting of the Board of Trustees and Home & School committee. We are very fortunate at Mokau School to have a great group of people doing extraordinary things to enable the students to have experiences we otherwise could not provide. Time is running out for putting your name forward to join our Board of Trustees or alternatively nominating another parent or community member. Likewise it is the Home and School committee AGM this week. This is an opportunity to join a vibrant group of volunteers helping raise valuable funds for resources and experiences for our students. Those who attend this meeting or give an apology form the H&S committee until the next AGM. New members are welcome.

Thanks must also go to Merepaea, Tuera, Jackie and all the parent helpers for our wonderful Marae Day. I always find the powhiri an emotional experience and am immensely proud of the students, particularly those who took a lead role in such a special event – a fabulous achievement for young students! Miharo!

With Duffy theatre this Friday at 1.30 pm there will be a short assembly at 12.00 pm
Regards,
Diane Scott

Roopu Points: With no assembly last week due to Marae Day we haven't totalled the points for the roopu this week but ask your child who is winning as they all keep tabs on the race on a daily basis.

Te reo Māori:

Te Kupu o te Wiki for the week starting
Rāhina, te 16 o Haratui, 2016 is **pai**: good, nice
Kia ora Whaea mā te kai *pai* nei.
Thanks mum for this *good* food.

Certificates

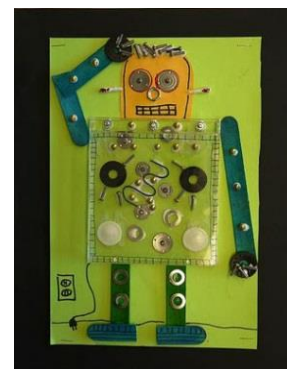
Duffy Reading Award – Connell for great discussion of the novel he is reading.
Student of the Week – Grace for being a quiet achiever.
Best Foot Forward – Merekara for making good choices and for playing fair.

Tabloid Sports

After much debate the cluster sports have been cancelled.

Creativity Challenge

Last week students were given the next creativity challenge. If you haven't seen the flyer the challenge is to construct a robot. There are no limitations on size or materials and robots can be 2 or 3D. Robots are due at school on Friday June 10. Have fun!



2016 SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

Board of Trustees
Elections



Nominations for trustees' elections should be back at school by noon on May 20th.
Nominations may be accompanied with a candidate statement which will be used in the event of an election. The parent roll is available for inspection at the school office. Voting papers will be issued on May 25th and voting closes at noon on 3rd June.

This Term's Dates for Dairies

May

- 17th Home and School AGM 7.30 pm
- 18th Manual Board of Trustees Meeting
- 19th & 20th Teura & Jackie at PD in Hamilton
- 20th Duffy Theatre 1.30 pm
- 25th Vicki Coll – Project Energise
- 26th Anne Purves visiting

June

- 1st Manual
- 3rd BOT Elections
- 6th Queens Birthday Holiday
- 13th First Time Principal's workshop
- 15th Manual Anne Purves visiting Board of Trustees Meeting
- 20th & 21st Education Review Office (ERO)
- 29th Manual
- 30th Anne Purves visiting

July

- 1st Winterfest – Dance
- Last wk Sir Peter Blake award
- 8th Last day of Term 2

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Manioroa Marae

The weather held off as waewae tapu (first time visitors) gathered at the Manioroa Marae gate. The boys supported the girls and woman as Ocean answered Merepaea's karanga (call) and lead the manuhiri (visitors) towards the wharenuī (meeting house).



Once inside Rico spoke on behalf of tangata whenua supported by Claude and the singing of the waiata Tēnā koutou.

Merekara replied for the visitors and was supported with the waiata Te Aroha lead by Dannielle.

Adults were immensely proud of the student's confidence in taking the lead roles of the Pōwhiri.

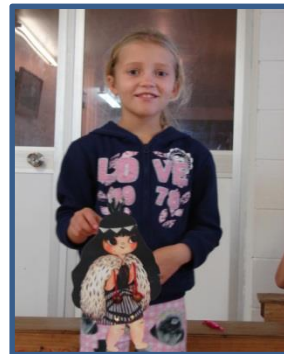
Following the whaikōrero (speeches) new families to Mokau school community were invited to hongi or harirū (shake hands) with tangata whenua and join together for kai, to lift the tāpu (sacredness) of the pōwhiri, in the wharekai (dining house).



Students prepared the vegetables for the lunch time boil up by peeling potatoes, kumara and pumpkin to add to the pots of pork and bacon bones and then settled to their first workshop of colouring and creating a 3D wharenuī.



Students sung along to waiata while experiencing the construction of either a poi swinging wahine or waka paddling tama, string games, knucklebones and rakau.



After a beautiful boil up lunch supplemented with both fried bread and traditional Rewena paraoa (Māori bread) students helped do the dishes before venturing outside to visit the urupa and hear the story of the anchor stone and its journey to rest at Manioroa Marae.



Back inside students meet in the Wharenuī where they shared the highlights of their day. The learning started at the Marae will be continued in the weeks to come at school.

