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Welcome Back

A warm welcome back to Term 4. Who would have thought we would be where we are now? But the move has been smooth. Thank you to the Smyth and O'Sullivan-Lobb families for helping Teura and I move all our gear, hopefully we haven't forgotten anything we need. We are very grateful Ahititi have been so welcoming and that they had the space to accommodate us all. Sadly due to the travel Ocean will now be attending Whareorino School for the remainder of her Year 8 year - best of luck Ocean we will miss you!

We have another busy Term planned kicking off with Agricultural Days and Art displays.

As you no doubt all know the School Agricultural Day is on Wednesday and the Tainui Boys' and Girls' 85th Anniversary Day is on Thursday and both these events will take place at the Tainui Domain. We wish our students well in these exciting rural schools events and look forward to the community gathering to support the children's efforts and seeing what costumes animal's will appear in this year. **We would appreciate a small plate of food for the judges' morning tea please on both days.**



Student will be doing flower arranging at school as part of their art week activities - **please send flowers and greenery from your garden to school on Tuesday** for students to share - all students will be given a jar as a vase but

this can be decorated, or camouflaged with something else if the student would like to bring another vessel from home.

Students wishing to enter a cake in the Cake Decorating Competition need to bring their cake on Wednesday morning.

The cake competition winner will be decided by the community who can vote for the cakes on the day. Every vote for a particular cake gives the voter a chance to win that cake.

When you come inside to look at the cakes and art don't forget to also look at the 'calendar' art on display - this is available to order in a variety of formats - calendars, note pads, cards & mouse pads.



Mt Messenger Roding Unit

Today we welcome a speaker from the Mt Messenger Alliance team who will introduce our students to our learning unit 'Connecting Communities'. This unit aims to raise student awareness about the new bypass for Mt Messenger and State Highway 3 (SH3). During the unit there will be opportunities for students to participate in practical activities to ascertain some of the history of SH3 and gain understanding of how the transport network supports economic and social development.

Term 3 Activity Reports

Many thanks to Teura for writing reports about our end of Term activities.

Life Education - Monday 25th Sep

Mokau school students along with Whareorino School enjoyed a day of interactive learning with Megan from Life Education. The juniors discussed and learnt about how do we know what other people could be feeling? What can we do when we have problems? and what is the importance of kindness? Whilst the seniors learnt about what does it take to be part of a team? How can we deal with change? What is an 'up stander'? How do we make decisions? And why is my reputation and identity important? All of the topics covered will assist our students to make positive choices at school and in life.



Soup Making - Tuesday 26th Sep morning

Vicki Coll from Project Energise came in to make soup and bread with our students. The students in groups of 4 prepared a range of vegetables and made pita bread. Hopefully this will encourage our



students to think about nutrition and making healthy eating choices. We later enjoyed a feast of vegetable soup, pumpkin soup and hot bread for lunch.

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Duffy Assembly - Tuesday 26th Sep afternoon
In the afternoon we had Sharon Holt come and talk to the students about her love of reading and how that turned into a dream to become a children's author. Her ready to read books include No Skipper and Skipper's happy tail. She now writes and publishes te reo Maori singalong books with the students participating in one of her many books that she had on display for sale. The students were later presented with their Duffy books of choice.

Literacy Quiz - Thursday 28th Sep (Evening)
Mokau School entered two teams into the quiz with one team taking away two prizes for the 'Nursery Rhymes' and 'General Knowledge' categories. Evan Lobb won a book in the audience question from the visual category. Our students were unlucky this time, but well done to all of you for your enthusiasm and participation on the night. Kio kio were placed first overall, with Otorohanga South 2nd and Kio kio were also 3rd.

Thank you to Evan Lobb for transporting students and to Mrs Karati for arranging snacks for the students to enjoy.

Notices for Parents

Stationery Accounts. There is still outstanding stationery account money. Could this please be settled with the office as soon as possible?

Trophies. We would like all Agricultural Day and End of Year trophies returned to school as soon as possible please.

Dental Clinic. The clinic will be at school this week and next week. You should have already received appointments for your children.

Roopu Winners

The final tally of Roopu points for Term 4 was Scooby Doos 61 points, Mickey Mouse Club House 66 points and victorious roopu - The Flintstones with 83 points. Congratulations to Heidi, Grace, Billy, Jordan, Mana and Kayla being rewarded for a well-deserved win.

Community Gardens

The vegetable gardens will soon be dug over in preparation for planting. If any community members have spare mini pots (the current giveaways from New World supermarkets) we would greatly receive them as a donation to school. We would also appreciate any spare seedling community members have or any green fingered volunteers to help in the garden area.

Like last year, our plan this spring will be to plant one garden in corn and the second garden in a variety of vegetables and herbs with a few flowers to attract pollinators.

Dates for this Term

Oct	16 th	Dental Clinic at School
	17 th	Flower and Art activities
	18 th	School Agricultural Day @ Tainui domain
		BOT Meeting - all welcome @ Tainui Domain
	19 th	85 th Boys' and Girls' Day @ Tainui Domain
	23 rd	Labour Day holiday
	24 th	Vicki Coll visit
		Running, jumping and throwing
Nov	7 th	Bike Ride Meeting 7.00 pm
		All welcome
	8 th	Enviroschools' staff meeting
	14 th	Vicki Coll visit
	15 th	BOT meeting - all welcome
	17 th	Tainui Athletics Day @ Ahititi
Dec	13 th	BOT meeting - all welcome
	18 th	Last day of school year

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Annual Bike Ride Meeting

There will be a meeting to start planning for the 2018 Bike Ride. This will be held on Tuesday 7th Nov at the Tainui Domain. 7.00 pm. All community members welcome



- To staff for managing a very busy end of Term. Well done.
- To Jenny Lewis for her wonderful donation of gourds - we can't wait to do something crafty with these once they have dried out. How exciting!
- Smyth and O'Sullivan-Lobb families for helping in our move to Ahititi School
- Thanks Rob for doing an afternoons spraying at school.

Te reo Māori

The phrase of the week is

Nō hea koe? Where are you from?

Try it out - try asking someone at Agricultural Day this question.

Congratulations to Sophia and Ocean for playing for midlands in the hockey tournament in Rotorua over the holidays - a full report of this will be in next week's newsletter.