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Greetings Everyone

Firstly our thoughts go out to Merepaea and whanau at the loss of their loved one last week. It was very special for us to be able to support you in your grief. We continue to think of you and support you all.

This marks the second week of the term. Cross country training and speech preparations are under way. This year the junior have a chance to compete as well by reciting a poem. Details of this will go home today. Please support your children by asking them to practice at home.

Thank-you to the community for your overwhelming support of our Oxford Pie fundraiser. Over \$1000 worth of pies have been ordered and a 'slice of the pie' will come back to school as income. Awesome!

We have had over 12 applications for the position of Principal and the BOT are meeting this Tuesday to create a short list, ready for interviews on the weekend. The Ministry of Education has notified us that as of the start of next year we will only be funded, by them, for one teacher. The Mokau School BOT has a support plan ready and will be funding a second teacher for part of the time. It is very reassuring that the BOT has planned ahead for our children.

PRINCIPAL
Tanya Bunny

Brain of the Week: The Senior Room has been busy preparing their speeches ready for next week's competition. Lily Hutchinson has shown she knows that effective speeches require lots of hard work, researching information and then deep thinking to ensure she is able to entertain her audience. Well done Lily!

Duffy Award: Olly Hutchinson is our Duffy recipient this week. It is great to see him looking into words and using meaning clues to help him understand the meaning of what he has read.

Welcome: Sophie Churchill has now started school full time. Welcome to school Sophie and family!

Best Feet Forward: Karnia Robertson is putting her best foot forward. She is always ready for learning and makes great choices! Seth Warren knows what it takes to make a difference At Mokau School. He chose to fill the wood boxes before school to keep us all warm. Logan Adam knows what it takes to be an effective leader. He actively encouraged his cross country team to ensure everyone was able to do their very best.

Waikato Regional Council: We have been awarded close to \$4000 to put tracks, weta houses and seats in the bush planting between the top and bottom fields. Thank-you to Flyn and Lily who helped make this application possible. I will work alongside a project manager and Lily and Flyn to make sure this new and exciting project gets completed.

My Powhiri: There will be a powhiri held for me in Hastings on the 22nd of August. This is an open invitation for you all to come and be part of returning me home. We are looking into travel and accommodation and we have scope for a large number to come. Please let the school know if you want to join me. It would mean a lot to me if you did. There is a form to fill in and return about this attached to this newsletter **BY WEDNESDAY.**

Pie Orders Delivery: The Oxford Pies will be at school on Friday after 2pm for pick up. Please arrange to come and collect them.

Speeches and Poems: The seniors have been crafting their speeches and need to be practising these at home. The juniors have a poem to learn too. They will learn this at school and at home with you. A copy of the above named poems for each year group is attached.

Year 3 and 4: **Thunder and Lightning**
Year 1 and 2: **My Flower OR Manners**
New Entrants: (started school in last 6 months) **Baa Baa Black Sheep**

Home and School: There is a Home and School Meeting on the Wednesday the 25th of July at 7pm. at the school library. Everyone welcome