



MOKAU SCHOOL

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What a busy start to Term 3! Tamariki have been working hard, preparing for the speech and poem competition next week. Last Friday they entertained guest at the inaugural Community morning tea and were fabulous. There were approximately 20 attendees at this event. Ruma Tuakana has been participating in a mindfulness workshop and the online Lead Youth Conference this week.

We have also had a Duffy Book assembly and daily Cross Country Training.

Thank you

Thankyou to Sally Fenning for knitting some wonderful warm Winter hats for our tamariki. You are fantastic Sally! Taiapa whānau we really appreciate your valuable gift of New Zealand histories and Te Reo learning materials you have given us.

Rawina has spent several volunteer days weeding our vegetable gardens. Ngaa mihi nui koutou. We are so lucky to have the many volunteers who help us out.

Police Vetting

We are currently updating our Police Vetting of Parent volunteers. In accordance with our school policy we require parent helpers to be police vetted for camps and overnight stays.

Teachers only day

There is a teacher only day on the 14th of August. On Teacher only days staff focus on professional learning.

Ruma Tuakana

Mindfulness Workshop

On Wednesday we were lucky to have Rangatahi Pathways and Ebony Te Kanawa who specializes in MIndfulness with a holistic approach come to Mōkau School and run a mindfulness session with the tamariki in Ruma Tuakana. We learnt all about B3 (breathing), gratitude and the 5 steps to life. It was a very relaxed atmosphere that was warm, welcoming and safe! We are very grateful for the experience! We hope that our tamariki continue to practice their new learning.

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Lead Youth Conference

LEAD Youth Conference is an annual one-day event created to empower Year 6-9 students during this important stage in their school journey as young leaders. Through a blend of inspirational talks and energising group activities, students learned how to become active and inspiring leaders of their school and community. Students gained advice on how to make good choices, build their confidence and make a difference from inspiring and diverse guest speakers as well as live-streamed entertainment and pre-recorded short video clips, all with powerful key messages to inspire our tamariki.

Speeches/Poems

We will be having our school speech and poem morning at the Mokau Hall on Wednesday 9th at 11.00am. Everyone is welcome to come along and we ask that you are all seated before 11am so we can begin on time. Please ensure that you are quiet and cellphones are silent to support our learners while they are speaking. They have all worked extremely hard and noise while they are delivering is distracting for them. Students are selected from this to represent our kura at the Tainui Cluster Schools Speeches/Poems, **at Ahititi School** on the 11th August. We will need parent help to transport students to Ahititi to participate. It is a normal school day for everyone else.

Career Expo

Ruma Tuakana will be attending the Taranaki Careers Expo on the 21st of August. We appreciate the support of Aotahi and Rangitahi Pathways to transport them to this event. Permission forms are attached, please return the form as soon as possible. This trip will take place during normal school hours.

Cross Country training

This term we train for the Tainui Schools Cross Country daily. Please make sure that your child has suitable clothing and footwear if they require it.

**Wanted to rent
House for a school family**

Pete, Pj, Pedro and Diana are looking for a long term rental within 15km of Mōkau School. Peter is a qualified builder with farm experience. Current address has no cell phone reception. Text 0212597890
Peteathq2@gmail.com

Dates to remember

August

- 9th Mokau School Speeches, Mōkau Hall 10.45am
- 11th Tainui Cluster Schools Speeches @ Ahititi School
- 14th **Teacher only Day**
- 21st Career Expo @ New Plymouth (Ruma Tuakana)
- 23rd **BOT meeting 7pm**

Sept

- 5th Enviro Schools @ Ahititi
- 6th Life Education
- 8th Tainui Cluster School X Country @ Mimi School – Te Kura o Mimitangiatua
- 22nd Mōkau School Science Fair 1.30pm at Mōkau School.
- 22nd Last day term 3.



Den & Prue Olde
Thank you

