

MOSSTON MESSENGER

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Dare to be Wise

Our Vision: To develop the whole person.

**Our Mission: To engage learners
through QUALITY education**

(Kia ako nga tamariki te taonga o te kura)

National Standards statement Newsletter 2

The views given in newsletter No. 2 were those of the Principal and Staff.

There are information meetings on the National Standards available to all parents on 11th March at Wanganui Intermediate school hall from 3:30 – 5pm and 7 – 8:30pm.

Board of Trustee Elections

Board of Trustees nominations will be called for from 15th March and close on 23rd April.

A nomination form will be posted to everyone on the voting roll.

ALL biological parents are eligible to vote in the BoT Elections regardless of where they reside ie not necessarily reside in the same house as the child. To this end I ask that if one of your parents has a different address to your child, can you please let the Returning Officer know as they are **entitled** to a vote. If either parent has a partner that has day-to-day care of a child, that person **may** also be allowed to vote. Check with Robyn about this.

Mouse Pads

Thank you to the Mackay family for the donation of mouse pads for the children. They are very much appreciated.

Focus Awards – Make Good Choices

Madison Bowie and Annalise Davies in Rm 1;
Zak Turner and Tegan Rhodes in Rm 2;
Emerson Hemingway and Troy Brennan in Rm 3;
Molly Green and Jecovi Wood in Rm 4; Ezerah Wood and Abi Chase in Rm 5; Jack Donaldson and Taylor Ward in Rm 6. **Congratulations**
Keep up the good work.

Secure box

There is now a bright orange box, and envelopes, in the foyer for you to put money, messages for the office when it is not manned. PLEASE put money in a named envelope and state what it is for. There is a pen on a chain by the office window.

Parent Helpers:

A special thank you to all those parents who assisted with transport to and from the pool for our swimming training sessions.

Thank you to the team who cut down the trees for us last weekend. What a difference it makes!

Thank you all those volunteers who have begun helping in the classrooms, with the fundraising activities for the year 6 camp, coaching the sports teams and other forms of help. What a great community!

Keeping Ourselves Safe

We have been continuing to focus on our Keeping Ourselves Safe unit. Thank you for your help with the homework that is being done. Constable Tania was very concerned at the number of children who would hop into a car with a stranger who had lollies, a puppy or a wrestling DVD. She said that a 9 year old was approached in Parsons Street last week and he got into the car. Fortunately he screamed and yelled and was let out of the car but it is a very real issue that she would like you to discuss with your children.

Paid Union Meeting

I recently informed you that the NZEI Te Riu Roa would be holding a Paid Union Meeting for teachers on *Tuesday 9th March*. Accordingly, I advised you that the majority of the school's teaching staff would be unavailable after *1 pm* on that date.

*NZEI Te Riu Roa has now informed the school that it is postponing these meetings until Term 2. **This means that Tuesday 9th March will revert to being a normal school day.***

NZEI has apologised to the school for any inconvenience caused and has advised that the round of meetings for teachers will now be held between 26 April and 13 May.

NZEI has indicated that they will notify us of the actual date and time of the meeting in the near future. As soon as the school has details of when the actual meeting will occur, I will send that information on to parents, along with advice about arrangements at school for the day in question.

Thank you for your support.

Graeme Whitworth

Principal

New Car Park

Construction will be getting underway from next week. The current carpark will be stripped of the seal and replaced with shellrock.


We really need your support and patience here. You may be asked to park over on the paddock rather than in the carpark area while construction is taking place.

Teacher Professional Development Day

The West Cluster Schools are working together on an initiative that helps us develop the Inquiry Learning model in our schools. For Mosston this is a major Professional Development focus this year.

It will be held on **Thursday 1st April from 1:30 – 3:30pm** (last day of term).

The school is officially open but teachers will be involved in this Professional Development exercise so we would appreciate your support in collecting your child at 12:30pm.

The  programme will be available to anyone who may require child care.

Parents Group

We are holding a meeting at 2:30pm on Wednesday 3rd March to share some fundraising ideas, the ideas of a coffee morning and to seek volunteers to help with a sausage sizzle on family fun night

Free Range Egg For Sale

\$5.00 doz

\$2.50 ½ doz

See Robyn or Mrs Loader

FOR SALE

WORM WEE. A natural garden fertilizer. \$2 for one litre - \$4 for 2 litres.

Coming Events

3 rd March	Parents Group meeting at 2.30pm.
5 th March	Meet the teacher evening / Family fun night
15 th March	BoT Nomination forms posted home from this date
1 st Apr-Thurs	End of Term 1 – staff training at 1:30pm. sKids available

New extended daily times – Bookings now being taken for April 5th – 16th

Wanganui Boys & Girls Gym Club, Oscar approved **SPORTS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME**

For 5 to 13 years, now from **8.15am to 5.30pm**

Daily Activities include Gymnastics, Swimming, Trips out, Ball Skills, and much more.

WINZ quotes available or \$35 per day

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