

MOSSTON MESSENGER

8 September 2023



Our Vision:

Nuture positive relationships and create lifelong learners.
Poipoiā te wairua o te temaiti kia puta aia ki te ao mārama

Our Mission:

To engage learners through quality education.
Tākaia te tamaiti ki ngā o te tako

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Michelle's Message

Kia ora koutou, ni hau, faakalofa atu, namaste, cyfarchion, konnichiwa, suostei, kia orana, groete, g'day, ahlan and hello.

A big welcome to our newest learners at Mosston School. Harper, Zach and Hunter began their learning journey in Hihi and Zeina who has joined Room 3.

What an amazing week it has been at Mosston School. The performance of Alice the Musical was absolutely fantastic and we have so much to be proud of and celebrate.

Preparation started back in Term 2 when auditions were held and competitions for the poster and ticket design were underway. The excitement continued to build as we got closer to the 6th September and we know you were not disappointed.



We are very grateful to Abby Richards who directed the performance and also the class teachers who choreographed their class items and organised the costumes to ensure everyone was a star on the night. Abby also designed and made most of the props - her artistic skills are greatly admired!

Tess Marryatt is just so creative and her input into the costume design and creation was so valued. Thank you also to Annette Hutchby for helping with the sewing of the costumes.

Thanks to Sue for taking on the tickets sales and programme design, Adam and Melina for their support with creating the

wooden props and the support staff and parent volunteers who provided support behind the scenes and helped us with managing the children out the back (not an easy task!). Also behind the scenes we had a group of Room 5 students moving the props and we are very appreciative of their help.

I also want to acknowledge the Mosston Board who provided financial support for the show. As you can appreciate there are many costs involved in putting on such a high level performance. Thank you also to Penny Buxton who relieved in Room 3 each week to provide consistency for the class.

The school has been buzzing for the whole week and I expect that we have some very tired staff and students so enjoy a restful weekend. The last two weeks of the term include - Māori Language Week, a lock down drill, HOOT pizza lunch, Soccer in schools, Chinese Language Week, school photos, a disco and end of term Ka Pai Kid celebrations- the fun at Mosston never stops!

Ngā mihi nui Michelle, mwatson@mosston.school.nz

OWL Awards (opportunities for wisdom and learning)

The OWLs flew into Room 3 recently. Emily and Emilia were both awarded OWLs. Emilia always gives 100% effort with her mahi and Emily shows a positive attitude and presents quality mahi. Ka pai kōtiro mā.



Is your child returning to Mosston in 2024?

The Board are in the process of determining if there are any spaces for out of zone students in 2024. If your child will not be returning to Mosston next year, please let Sue know.
(current Year 6 students do not need to respond).

Sunhats

With the days becoming warmer we encourage students to wear their sunhats on the sunny days. From the beginning of term 4 students will be required to wear a sunhat at all break times and during outside sport.

The dental team are leaving after just 3 weeks with big smiles. They have been very impressed with the teeth of Mosston School students. Well done whānau.



FOCUS AWARDS - CARES

Our recent focus was **active** – ngangahau.

This means:

- ☺ Collaborates and works well alongside others
- ☺ Joins in with school activities
- ☺ Actively involved in my learning
- ☺ Uses tools to support learning
- ☺ Asks for help when needed

We are lucky to have so many active learners at Mosston. Here are some who stood out recently; **Heidi, Noah B, Rylan, Thea B, Fiona, Jackson, Seth, Mason W, Rory, Lily W, Hollie, Sophia A** and **Nic**. Kapa! tō mahi tamariki ma. Good work kids.

Board Bit

Wow, wow, wow how great was the musical on Wednesday evening? What a truly remarkable evening. The children were and are amazing – such special talents. Thank you everyone from Miss Richards, to the teachers, performers, back stage crew, parents that assisted with costume and prop creation and everyone else involved. Your performance and dedication to the event was truly special. I can't wait for the next one.



As we have reached the end of Term 3 sports, we want to express our gratitude to coaches and parents as your combined efforts have made this season of netball, football and hockey remarkably successful. We want to thank our amazing coaches. It's because of your guidance and commitment, we could go ahead with the teams and witness some wonderful games. Thank you parents for your support. Your presence at games and words of encouragement have created an incredible environment for our tamariki.

To the players, how proud you have made us all with your determination and teamwork. Whilst it not always about winning, the sportsmanship you show each week continues to remind us how special you are. A big thank you to Lisa Preston for all your hard work in organising us all to be at the right place and time each week. Your efforts are truly appreciated.

Didn't we get lucky with the weather for the recent school cross country both school and the West Cluster event. Along with the amazing weather, it was such a pleasure to see the commitment and determination from all the students who huffed and puffed their way around the course. Way to go everyone! Good luck to those students who have qualified for the Aranui cross country.

Board of Trustees Election: Yes it's that time again, our mid term school board elections are to be held by the end of November. We have two vacancies to fill at this election. Nomination and further details will be shared soon. If you are interested in knowing more about what the roles involves please contact Kylie Harris our Presiding Member or any member of the Board who will be only too happy to discuss. Come get involved! Mosston is filled with amazing individuals everywhere you look.

Kia ora, Steven Whittaker

Student and Enviro Leader Daisy

Kia ora koutou. Although I've been at Mosston School since I was 5, I also spent quite a bit of my life before that in the playground and visiting the junior hub! I've looked forward to the opportunity of being a school leader as I thought I would do an amazing job. This is because I... am...C.A.R.E.S.



You can see this in the class, on the playground, in school groups and different roles I do. My favourite is the Enviro Group because I love being outside, helping to develop our garden and being part of caring for our environment. Remember-reduce, reuse, recycle! I am lucky to be a student leader, but it's especially rewarding to be an Enviro Leader too.

What's Coming Up - Important Dates

- 12th Sept. Lockdown Drill
- 13th Sept. Technology Challenge (Selected team)
- 15th Sept. HOOT pizza lunch
- 15th Sept. Soccer In Schools
- 17th Sept. Year 5 & 6 Dance Comp (Students opt in)
- 18th Sept. School photos
- 18th Sept. English Second Language (Chinese) parent meeting @ 2 30pm in the staffroom
- 19th Sept. Aranui Cross Country (Selected team)
- 21st Sept. HOOT Disco
- 22nd Sept. 2:20pm Whole School assembly
- 22nd Sept. Term 3 ends
- 9th Oct. Term 4 begins
- 9th Oct. Ballot closes
- 13th Oct. Ballot held
- 13th Oct. Year 6 to Whanganui Intermediate
- 14th Oct. NZ Election Day - Mosston Hall is a polling booth
- 20th Oct. School Assembly 2:20pm
- 23rd Oct. Labour Day - School closed
- 17th Nov. **Teacher Only Day - School closed**
- 15th Dec. Term 4 ends