

MOSSTON MESSENGER

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Our Vision:

Nuture positive relationships and create lifelong learners
Poipoia 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



Michelle's Message

Kia ora koutou, ni hau, susada, sà wàt dii, namaste, Selamat siang, konnichiwa and gidday.

Welcome Reuben and Keon to Hihi, we hope you enjoy your start to Mosston School.

It was very exciting to have Jayson Herewini bless the **all weather turf** for us on Tuesday and for the children to be able to begin to use it. We invite whānau to make use of the turf after hours but ask that you follow the 'rules' as listed later in the newsletter.



We will be having our **Meet The Teacher** Learning Conversations on the 12 and 13th March. School will close at 2pm so these can take place between 2 and 5pm each day. Bookings are open now and information about how to do this is in this newsletter and will be shared on Facebook. We hope to see all children and their parents during this time.

Can you help? We were very sad to lose the expertise of whaea Lisa Reweti as she has taken up a new position with the Whanganui Museum. If you know of someone who would be keen to take on a **tikanga role** within our school, we would love to hear from you. This is a paid position and has in the past been 1.5 hrs a fortnight. Please see Jayson Herewini or myself if you are able to help or can perhaps share someone who can.



We are also on the look out for any parents that may have a **special talent** to share with our learners. We have a number of students who have a special ability in art, drawing, sport and music. Perhaps you have a skill in one of these areas or another and have an hour to spare over a 6 week block. Please pop in and see Miss Addenbrooke or myself.

This year I will continue to monitor **student attendance**. In line with our Board Policy we contact parents if a children have absences of 15% of more. Absence this high affects learning and we like to see how we can support you to ensure your child is here as often as they can be. (Illness excluded, but a medical certificate is needed



for absences over 3 days)

The teachers and myself will be attending **paid union meetings** on Tuesday, 19th March at 1:30pm. School will close at 12:30pm on this date. While we regret the inconvenience to parents, it is important we stand up for better outcomes for our learners and our profession.

Have a great weekend and remember I am always happy to chat with parents anytime ☺

Ngā mihi, Michelle

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BoT Bit

Tena koe

The trustees had their first official meeting for the year on Tuesday. I have been re-elected as Chair up until the upcoming elections when the new board takes office in June this year. Have a think about joining the team, it's not as daunting as you think and very rewarding. Don't hesitate to have a chat to any of the trustees. There will be 3 positions available. Sue has been appointed as our Returning Officer and she will be calling for nominations in May.

The strategic plan was our main focus at this meeting and targets and goals have been set for the year. I wish all the students the very best for their learning journey. The turf is in and looking very flash indeed! I'm sure the students will enjoy using this fantastic facility.

That's all for me, until next time, Nic



Upcoming Events - also visit www.mosston.school.nz

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| 6 Mar | Parents' Group meeting in Room 1 (Kereru) at 3:15pm |
| 8 Mar | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Student leaders speeches• Mid term mufti-bring an Easter item• Fitzies lunches |
| 15 Mar | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Senior school swimming sports• Junior duathlon |
| 28 Mar | Junior tabloids |
| 29 Mar | Senior triathlon |
| 12/13 Mar | Learning conversations (meet the parent). School closed from 2 pm both days |
| 19 Mar | Paid union meeting for teachers- school closed from 12:30pm |
| 12 Apr | Last day Term 1 |
- Pita Pit lunches every Friday www.lunchonline.co.nz**

Te Reo Phrase

Kikino! Mean

Whakanui Wall

We love to share in your children's lives outside of school. Please feel welcome to send along a picture of your child or a whānau event to school or email it to the class teacher and we will print it for you.

Uniform

Thank you to those parents who have donated uniform to the school that we are able to use as spares or on sell to parents. It is much appreciated. Parents are expected to ensure their child is in correct school uniform. This is in fairness to those parents who dress their children correctly and maintains our pride and standards. We have a large number of second hand items at the office at present. Please name all school uniform.

Have a concern?

If you have a concern, we like to help before it becomes a complaint. In the first instance please discuss any concerns with the class teacher but if you do not feel this is successful please pop in and see Michelle.

Parenting Tip-5 MORE powerful ways to wish a good day to your child

- ☺ Don't forget to be awesome!
- ☺ Be the best YOU today!
- ☺ Have courage and take risks
- ☺ Make yourself proud
- ☺ Be a leader

Sport News

A huge thank you to all our wonderful parents who are helping out with our teams this season. Without you our children will miss out, so we really appreciate your time and efforts you give to these teams. Sports fees can be paid to Sue in the office anytime now.

Please keep an eye on the calendar as there are a lot of sporting events coming up from Swimming sports, tabloids, duathlon and triathlon - we would love you to be there!

Did you know?

The Discovery Centre is open until 3 30pm on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Mrs Butters is available to help with book selection, issuing or returning books or finding information.



OWL Awards (Opportunities for Wisdom and Learning)

OWLs were recently awarded in Kiwi Hub. Iona received her OWL for being a kind, caring and helpful class member. Joshua earned his OWL as he is a focussed learner who finishes all his mahi to a high standard. Amelia R's OWL was recognition that she always approaches task with a growth mindset. Poppy received her OWL for always completing her mahi to a high standard. Tumeke efforts all round!



FOCUS AWARDS - CARES

Our focus as we start the term is Confident – aheia.

This means:

- ☺ Asks and answers questions
- ☺ Takes risks and tries new things
- ☺ Manages themselves and their learning

Children showing their confidence recently were Kory, Rosalee, Barret, Jordan, Iris, Lydia, Timothy, Sophie, Alex, Jade and Shaye. That's just awesome kids!

Meet the Parent Interviews

On Tuesday 12 and Wednesday 13 March we are holding Meet the Parent interviews. This is an opportunity for us to get to know you a little bit and vice versa. It's also a good time to discuss your child's learning goals. To make an appointment please go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the code **tqhu6**. If you need a hand making your appointment/s please see Sue in the office

Parents' Group

Our Parents Group needs you to make events happen for our tamariki. We will be having a meeting on **Wednesday 6th March at 3.15pm in Room 1** and would love to see you. Please come along and see how you can help us help your tamariki.

Turf Rules

In order to preserve the turf the following rules apply:

- No football boots
- Clean shoes only
- No food or drink
- No chewing gum
- No smoking
- No wheels

