

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

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Michelle's Message

Kia ora koutou, ni hau, susada, sà wàt dii, namaste, selamat siang, konnichiwa, kamusta, talofa and giddyay.

As the end of the term draws near we are awaiting the next Government announcement and whether we will be starting the new term in Orange. While we are hopeful, we cannot be sure as **COVID 19 numbers** are still quite high in the Whanganui area. Over the holidays we will be looking at what we can relax a little and what still needs to be in place as the 'new normal' at Mosston School. This will be shared to you before we return for Term 2.

COVID 19 case numbers have been steadily rising at school this week, with 17 ongoing positive cases being recorded and three households isolating. These cases are throughout the school. We have been fortunate to have been able to keep all classes running and school open as normal.

While we know that cases in school will rise and fall with that of the level in our community, health experts tell us that children are much more likely to be exposed to COVID-19 in the community than at school. As you know, it's great for your child's wellbeing and learning to be at school with their friends, teachers and other school staff. You also know that we have very good systems in place to keep everyone as safe as possible.

If you have any concerns about sending your child to school, please get in touch – we are here to help. We want children to be at school and engaging in learning with their friends. Your job remains the same, too; please continue to keep a really close watch of your whānau for anyone with symptoms. If unwell, please stay at home and get advice about getting a COVID-19 test. We have COVID 19 RAT tests available at school along with masks if you should require any.

Real Time Reporting in writing was shared with you this week. We hope you enjoyed seeing how your child has progressed. If you would like to discuss the sample with your child's teacher you are welcome to make a time to chat with them.

The **office block renovation** has begun! For the next 8 weeks



our temporary office, which includes Sue's office along with the sick bay and my office, is in the Teaching Hub opposite Room 2. If you need to come in, please wear a mask and sign in at the desk outside the door.

Swimming returns in Term 2! Children will be taking the bus to the Splash Centre each Friday for the first 6 weeks of the term. Please make sure all uniform is named along with their togs and towels and brought along in a swimming bag.

It is exciting to have 13 families sign up for our **Chromebook offer**. We are fortunate to have received support for this from the Four Regions Trust and know that both your children and staff will appreciate having extra devices available to support student learning.

We wish Laura Carter well as she leaves us at the end of next week term and look forward to welcoming Roman Kerr to Mosston School next term.

Have a very happy Easter and a lovely holiday break to follow. We will see you back for the new term on the 2nd May.

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



School Leader - Poppy



Hi I'm Poppy and I am thankful to be a Mosston School Leader. I think the CARES values are very important so try to follow them as much as possible. Three words that describe me are kind, friendly and smart. I keep a positive view, have some good ideas and those around me find me extremely funny!

I like to participate in group activities and sports. In the past I have had leadership roles in PREP and other group activities so I hope these have given me some good experience for my work this year. I love getting involved or volunteering for things! I've been involved in choir, kapa haka, Green Team, and sanitising children's hands as they arrive at school.

As a leader I am keen to support our juniors and support children with actions and advice when needed. I am excited for the year ahead and will do my best.

Real Time Reporting Alert
Week 10 (4 Apr. to 8 Apr.) - Writing

Board Bit

Kia ora Mosston whānau



As you will all have noticed the upgrade of our tired admin block has begun. The new layout will create an open and inviting space when you come in to see Sue, and a bright and cheery office for Michelle who will now enjoy an expansive view across the school. There will also be a new Whānau Room to host conversations and hui with families. We apologise for the additional car park congestion during the construction period.

This is the first of many large improvement projects planned to occur over the next few years which will make Mosston the best possible learning environment for our children and staff.

Enjoy your weekend
Ryan Carter

Focus Awards - Enthusiastic (Tākare) Learner

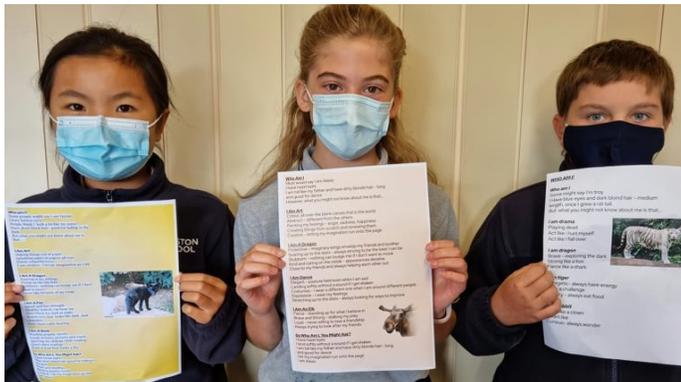
The value we are focusing on this term is **Enthusiastic - Tākare**.

This means:

- ☺ Strives for personal excellence
- ☺ Excited to learn new things
- ☺ Encourages others
- ☺ Keeps a positive mindset

Children showing enthusiasm recently were **Ava, Alexis C, Braylin, Ivy, Kobe, Lachlan AC, Yanning, Braxton, Matthew, Amy, and Samuel**. Ka pai tamariki ma!

Student Spotlight - Yanxin, Alexis and Troy



Students in Room 6 have been working on writing that describes themselves. They selected 4 metaphors (including activities and animals) that they could relate to themselves and completed their writing following this theme. The result is some very clever work that have revealed things about the children that we may not have already known. Great effort guys!

Upcoming Events - also visit www.mosston.school.nz	
11 Apr	Easter Raffles should be returned
13 Apr	Easter Raffle drawn
14 Apr	-HOOT Easter Egg Hunt -Term 1 ends
2 May	-Term 2 begins -Year 5 and 6 Camp deposit due (\$30.00)
6 May	Swimming starts and continues for 6 weeks
Pita Pit lunches available every Friday through www.lunchonline.co.nz	

OWL Awards (opportunities for wisdom and learning)

The OWLs flew into Room 3 recently. **Kayden** earned his OWL because he always completes quality mahi. **Keelan** won his OWL as he is always helping others. Well done lads! 🦉



Seesaw Snippets

- ✳️ This is awesome sweetheart, I see you have put a lot of thought into your learning chart. Can't wait to sit down and how a korero with Ms Cleveland and achieve these goals 😊
- ✳️ What an awesome goal you've set for yourself 😊 Grandma has already been lucky enough to listen to you reading one of your PM books and you're already doing so very well. You keep practicing your reading and sounding out the tricky words with your teacher and Mum and Dad's help. Grandma and Gang are sooo very PROUD of you 🌟🌟🌟
- ✳️ Thanks for your clear communication X, and for being ambitious in setting your goal! I find that learning harder maths gets less hard when we find ways to use maths in our Real World 🌍! I will help by looking and listening for ways to use Take-aways to give us useful information- like when we saw pieces of plank in different lengths when doing our building projects 🧑🏫🧑🏫
- ✳️ Ka pai my son. Mum loves that you are able to express your workings in multiple ways - orally, writing and through pictures. I also like how you tell us how we can help, that's awesome. Looks like we need to get to the library more! Keep up the good work.
- ✳️ I just saw this, X. I'm glad you identified that competitions motivate you to learn. Maybe you and I can have a spelling contest? You would beat me at a math contest! :) I'm proud of you for how far you have come.

Easter Egg Hunt Preparations



Do you need a test to leave self-isolation?

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    Q1[Do you have COVID-19?] -- Yes --> A1[Then no, you do not need to take a test to leave self-isolation. You can leave after 7 days. If you're still sick, stay home until you're well and for 24 hours after your symptoms resolve.]
    Q1 -- No --> Q2[Do you live with someone who has COVID-19?]
    Q2 -- Yes --> A2[Then yes, you must have a negative Day 7 test. You can leave after 7 days, with your negative test, and as long as you have no new or worsening symptoms.]
    Q2 -- No --> A3[Then you're all good. This flowchart doesn't apply to you.]
  
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