

MOSSTON MESSENGER

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School policies

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, faakalofa atu, namaste, cyfarchion, konnichiwa, suostei, kia orana, g'day and hello.

A big Mosston welcome to our new learners Bodhi, Ruby, Noah W, Lucy M and Benjamin who have started with us in the last fortnight. We now have enrolled 20 new learners at Mosston School for 2023. Aue/Wow!

How can we be at the **middle of the term** already? If you thought the first half of the term was busy - the second half is just as much so, the highlight being our **BIG DAY OUT** to Wellington Zoo. We are finalising all the details and will share this with you by the end of next week. Thank you to all those parents who offered to take transport. We can only take so many parent helpers in the buses, but welcome any parents who would like to join us to travel down by car.

We had a great turn out at our **"Meet the Whānau" learning conversations**. We enjoy talking about your child with you and learning more about them from you. While there will not be another formal opportunity to chat with parents until July you are welcome to contact your child's teacher or pop in at any time. If you have any feedback about these interviews please feel welcome to pop in or send me an email.



The teaching staff and some of our support staff are taking part in a six month te reo course that is being funded by the Ministry of Education. The first two days were in the January holidays and we are having weekly workshops. There is a two day workshop on Tuesday the 6th and Wednesday the 7th of June and these will be Teacher Only Days as all the staff are involved.

We apologize for the inconvenience this may cause but these dates were set by the course provider and cannot be changed. That Monday is also King's Birthday weekend so it may be an opportunity for a mid term family break.

We are excited to share that our own artist Abby Richards is our **Artist in Residence** next week. Abby will be working on a new mural for the front of the school. You are welcome to pop in and see the process in the hall between Tuesday and Thursday next week. We are very appreciative of the support HOOTS has given to this project.

Another exciting event is the return of a Mandarin teaching assistant from Whanganui High School. Due to COVID we have missed two years of this programme so we are looking forward to students being able to once again have a Chinese language lesson each week.

Cyber Safety and appropriate use of social media is a concern for some of our children and I encourage you to attend the **parent evening** that is being held next week at Collegiate. It will be very informative and help parents to navigate the dangers of the internet with their children. Details were shared on Facebook and Seesaw.

Ngā mihi nui,

Michelle mwatson@mosston.school.nz

What's Coming Up - also visit www.mosston.school.nz

7-9 Mar	Artist in Residence - please have a look in the hall
9 Mar	Family Fun Night
10 Mar	<i>Relay for Life - Non-Uniform Day</i> (gold coin) Senior Swimming Sports 9am Splash Centre Big Day Out payment due by today \$20 per child School Assembly 2:20pm in the hall
14 Mar	Cybersafety Seminar Collegiate - free - parents only Little Learner pre-school workshop (by invite)
17 Mar	HOOT Easter Raffle - Non-Uniform Day (Easter item)
20 Mar	School board meeting at 4:30pm
22 Mar	Whānau Hui-details to come
24 Mar	Triathlon - Year 4 to 6 students
30 Mar	Junior School Tabloids at Cook's Gardens
31 Mar	Duathlon - Year 1 to 3 students
6 April	Last day Term 1
24 April	Teacher Only Day - school closed
25 April	ANZAC Day - school closed
26 Apr	Term 2 begins
6 & 7 Jun	Teacher Only Days - School closed

Pita Pit lunches available every Friday through www.lunchonline.co.nz

Every morning from 8:15 am breakfast in the school hall

Swimming every Friday from 10 Feb to 17 Mar

Library Awards

Congratulations go to **Jeremiah, Amelia** and **Sophia J.** for earning their Bronze Library Awards and to **Tommy** who received the Silver Award. Ka pai tamariki ma / well done children 😊



year, you spoke with so much confidence and I know you want your hand writing to get better and tidy. I know that Mrs Alexander will help you achieve this. We can't wait to sit down with you and here all about you our learning map. You are getting so clever x

- What a great goal to work towards X Bomb!! Grandma knows you will reach your goal, especially with everyone supporting you. You can do it X and you definitely will have a growth mindset. You're awesome X and do great writing. Smile X because you can do it!!!

STOP PRESS!

Fence Construction

Next week the construction of our new 1.8 perimeter fence will begin. Please be patient as this takes place - there will likely be added congestion in the car park, and follow the signage of the construction team. The front of the school will be completed first and once in place we will let you know when the gates will be open and the best way to access the school when the gates are shut.



Te Reo Phrase Ngā mihi o te ata
Morning greeting

Student Spotlight on... Mikaere, Dawn and Matthew

Kereru (Room 1) children have created lovely night-time owl scenes. They drew their owls (nga ruru) and coloured them with dye. They are stilling on a hill which is decorated with crayon plants in the shape of koru (our native fern).



OWL Awards

(opportunities for wisdom and learning)

The OWLs flew into Hihi recently. They decided that **Noah J** should get the OWL award as he was being a thoughtful learner and friend. Ka pai Noah!



FOCUS AWARDS - CARES

This times focus is Confident – aheia.

This means:

- ☺ Contributes to class discussions
- ☺ Takes risks and tries new things
- ☺ Manages myself and my learning
- ☺ Learns from my mistakes

These children have shown themselves to be very confident learners. Congratulations go to **Noah B, Gwen, Krystal, Piper, Fiona, Matilda, Elsa, Greer, Hollie, Jayden, Ethan W, Matthew H** and **Te Aihireinga Tumeke/Awesome!**



Ice Blocks for Sale
\$1.00 each (cash only)
Monday, Wednesday and Friday
Order outside Room 1
Supporting Relay for Life

JOIN US AT THE

Mosston School Whānau Fun Night

From 5.15pm | Thursday 9th March 2023

KAI FOR SALE, OR BRING A PICNIC
BURN SOME BEFORE BED ENERGY WITH SOME
BOUNCE & CONNECT WITH THE TEACHERS AND
OTHER MOSSTON WHĀNAU



Real Time Reporting Alert Term 1
Te Reo, Learning maps and Writing

Seesaw Snippets - Learning Maps

The children love hearing your feedback as do we ❤️

- Awesome work X. What a great goal for the year. We will help you practice your writing and using your phoneme fingers at home.
- I can a lot of effort has gone into your learning map X! Focusing on your reading is a great goal that we can all help you with x
- Omg my sweetheart what a massive improvement since last