# 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 Darragh who has started at Mosston School this term. We hope you have fun learning many new things at school.

Term 2 is an exciting term as winter sports get underway and we start to prepare for **Alice the Musical**. All students will be involved when we go on stage at the Opera House in Term 3. Auditions for the main roles start next week.

There have been some new and exciting school additions to our school environment over the holidays. Thanks to the HOOT team we have two new trampolines for our children to make use of during break times. Thank you to Adam, Ryan and Nicholas for giving up their time and expertise to install them. We have many happy bouncers!



We have also had a new **board walk** installed through the native area. The board walk will ensure children stay on the path and protect the planted area. We now have the opportunity to plant more trees for both our tamariki and the birds/ngā manu to enjoy. In the middle of the board walk there is a bird watching platform or just a space for children to enjoy the area. We are very grateful to the Lion Foundation for their grant towards this project and the Mosston School Board for their contribution.



The fencing project is well underway and we hope that by the next newsletter we are very close to having the school fully secured. The gate will be open before and after school but if your child arrives between 9:15am and 2:45pm they will need to enter through the school office. Parents will no longer be able to park adjacent to the turf until after the gates are opened at 2:45pm. Please continue to remain vigilant in the car park.

On Teachers-Only Day the staff looked at the new **Aotearoa New Zealand Histories** curriculum. We are excited to be bringing this into Mosston and will be integrating it across the curriculum. As a staff we are also learning about the History of New Zealand and this will supplement the Te Reo journey we are also on.

We are looking forward to another exciting but maybe a little cooler term at Mosston School. Please note that we will be closed for five days at the beginning of June due to King's Birthday and two Teacher-Only days.

Ngā mihi nui

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### **School Policy Review**

This term the board will be reviewing our Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) polices thru our policy tool:

www.schooldocs.co.nz username mosston password owl We welcome your feedback. To give us your feedback go to the schooldocs site, search for Mosston School, enter the password details and click on the Current Review tab. Have a read through the EOTC information and the click on the Education Outside the Classroom link and click Start your review. Please provide your feedback by the 9th of June.

#### **Book Amnesty**

If you ever come across a reader or a library book at home that you may have forgotten to return or has been found down the back of the couch, please send it back to the classroom or to the office. We love to receive them back...even if it is a year later!



What's Coming Up - also visit www.mosston.sch	ool.nz
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4 May	HOOT Meeting at 5:45 - venue to be advised
5 May	School assembly at 2:20pm
8 May	Board meeting at 4:30pm
9 May	Interschool hockey tournament (selected team)
15 May	Muffins with Mum - more details to follow
19 May	Pink Shirt Day - Bullying Awareness
24 May	National Young Leaders Day-Palmerston North
5 June	King's Birthday Holiday - school closed
6 & 7 June	Teacher-Only Days - <b>school closed</b>
6 June	Interschool netball (selected team)
30 June	Puanga dawn ceremony - details to be advised
	Final day Term 2
17 July	Term 3 begins

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

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

## Student Spotlight on... Mckenzie and Saya



Room 5 tamariki have been retelling stories they have read in different ways. Mckenzie has written about how things in the story are similar and different using her comparison skills. Saya has used Story Mapping Boxes to help her to write a book review. These skills help the tamariki gain a better understanding of the story they have read and makes them much better readers.

### **OWL Awards**

### (opportunities for wisdom and learning)

The OWLs flew into Room 3 recently. **Toa** was awarded an OWL as he has been making amazing progress in writing. **Lucy P** is always helping others with an enthusiastic attitude so earned herself an OWL for this too. Ka pai tamariki ma!



## Focus Awards - Enthusiastic (Tākare) Learner

The value we are focusing on this time is **Enthusiastic - Tākare.** This means:

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

Congratulations go to Rylan, Athena, Charlie, Lucy M, Thea B, Ashley, Isabel, Yanning, Elias, Tommy and Braxton who are all enthusiatic learners/tākare ākonga

Te Reo Phrase

Look here, Look away

## Student and Library Leader Sera Dawn



Kia ora I am Sera-Dawn and I'm representing Mosston School as a student and a library leader. You will have seen me around school in the PE shed, the library or maybe just helping out in the garden. My main focus as a library leader is to make library awards more special and exciting for kids.

The three words that describe me are caring, creative and very

confident! I am confident when speaking to tamariki throughout the hubs and when talking to adults. I would confidently take an issue to the big boss, Mrs Watson, or any teacher as a matter of fact. I have shown creativity throughout my years at Mosston participating in every 'Mosston's Got Talent'. I have been an art room monitor and am involved in pōwhiri. Caring is a great skill I have learned from the peer mediator and enviro groups. Learning to care for our environment is a great feeling and I have enjoyed caring for others too as a mediator.

I am honoured to represent our school at events and am grateful for the opportunity to do so.

## Library/Whare Pukapuka Awards

Our librarians have been working hard in 2023 and some have already gained special awards. Congratulations to **Ruby** who has earned her Bronze Award, **Rosalee** who has earned her Silver Award and to **Yanxin** and **Summar** who have both passed Extra for Experts. Aroha mai tamariki ma!



## **Recent Mosston Happenings**



Real Time Reporting Alert Term 2
Reading, Maths & Mid-year Progress Summary