

MOSSTON MESSENGER

28 March 2025



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

School Policies can be found at:

www.schooldocs.co.nz Search for Mosston School and use the password **owl**

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Michelle's Message

Kia ora koutou, ni hau, namaste, cyfarchion, konnichi wa, suostei, kia orana, groete, kumusta, ahlan, talofa, mhoroi, ahoj and hello.

A BIG Mosston welcome to James who has joined Room 5 this week.

As we reach the end of the term the days are really starting to draw in. It seems to have been a very fast term!

We were thrilled to have **99.4% of parents attend Learning Conversations** with their child. It was worthwhile to be able to share the goal setting with you and to hear more from you about your child, both as a learner and their world outside of school. It was great to get your feedback on the **revised school vision**. If you did not highlight on the form to show your choices (see next page) please pop into the office to collect a form.

The Mosston School Board approved the new **Mosston School Attendance Strategy and Expectations** this week. A copy of the expectations can be found [here](#), on our school website or in Kereru's window alongside the newsletter. We're adopting these new practices, and they will be part of how we monitor attendance from now on. If your child has been absent for more than 15% of this term we will be letting you know and offering support to get your child to school more regularly, where required.

We were spoiled for choice with the calibre of the Year 6 students who put themselves forward to be a **student leader**. Camella and Thea were voted in as School Leaders and will be supported by ten student leaders. We are excited to have this group leading the school and look forward to seeing them develop their leadership skills.



We have been advised that the **Education Review Office (ERO)** will be at Mosston School on the 6th and 7th of May. We look forward to sharing how wonderful our school is with them and collaborating on our next areas of development.

Sue is going to be away for the last two weeks of the term and

Sammi, one of our teacher aides, will be in the office in the mornings. There is a lot to learn with the office role and we appreciate your patience if things are not quite as they usually are.

Enjoy the holiday break when it comes and hopefully we can enjoy more of this great weather!

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

Car Park Safety



We have had some car park safety issues raised with us. Please do not park over the **blue walkways** or drive over these or the park stops. This puts our students at risk! Always assume there is a child in the car park.



If you are **parking on the road**, please enter the school through the opening in the fence at the field end of the carpark or at the gate by the letter box, **do not** walk in the driveway entry.

When **dropping your child off**, please park in a parking space rather than stopping in the middle of the driving area. We also ask drivers to drive forwards into the car parks rather than reverse for improved visibility of children. The car park is a very busy space, especially at the end of the day and we ask for your patience and courtesy at this time.

School Leader - Camella

My name is Camella. I will work hard to come up with great and unique ideas for our school and I will get to meetings on time!



I'm a kind, helpful and fun person to be around. I have contributed a lot to Mosston School, for instance kapa haka, librarian, interschool athletics, wet lunch and Breakfast Club monitor, Peer Mediator, Green Team and I sometimes lead the Junior Ruruku. I have never gotten a traffic light!

I support my classmates and help them if they need it. I am ready to offer my help to anyone should they need it. I consistently show the CARES values and am ready to face any challenges. I am determined to help other students be their best selves in their time at Mosston School. Kia ora.

Board Bit

Hi, I'm Adam, and I'm the representative for Health and Safety on the Mosston School Board. My wife Kelly and I are proud parents of two boys, Heath and Taylor, and we truly enjoy being part of the vibrant Mosston community. I have previous school board experience, so I'm familiar with advocating for safety and well-being within a community-focused setting.



This year we will be looking at a new Attendance Strategy in line with government expectations for all schools across NZ. The government target is 80 percent, an attendance plan must be in place by 2026 to help address this nationwide issue. So, look out for further communication on this and how we can support families and address any barriers to regular attendance.

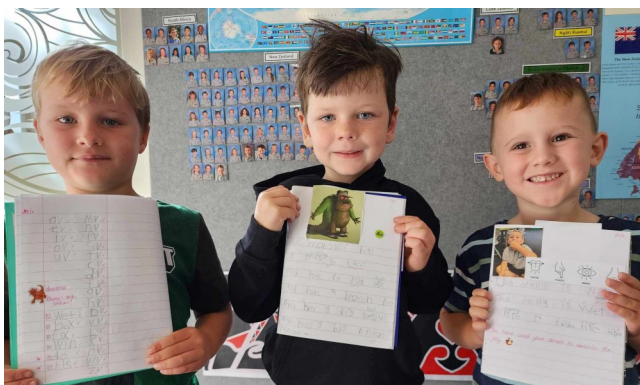
Also, we are shining the spotlight on improvements to pedestrian safety and reducing risk of injury as much as possible in the car parking areas. The Board is looking into the installation of bollards along the black fencing carparks and grass edge car parks to make drop offs and pickups safer. Keep up the good work you are already doing following our school community specific guidance, and refrain from reverse parking until these further efforts have been reviewed and implemented.

I'm very much looking forward to supporting the dedicated staff here at Mosston and contributing towards another year of quality outcomes for our learners.

Adam Crick: acrick@mosston.school.nz

Student Spotlight - William, Thomas and Tyler

Kereru tamariki have been very busy and here are some examples of their quality work proudly presented by these ngā tama (boys). William is showing off his phonics work, Thomas wrote a description of this scary monster and Tyler retold how his class had been eating some jelly. Fab work lads!



OWL Awards (opportunities for wisdom and learning)



The OWLS' recently visited Room 5. Congratulations to **Adeline** who received her OWL for always completing her work to a high standard and **Sophia** who was awarded her OWL for making an outstanding effort in learning. Ka pai kōtiro mā (girls)!



Water Only

Mosston School is a health promoting school and has a water only policy. Students are not permitted to bring any other drinks to school unless they have arranged this with the office.

CARES Award Winners

Congratulations to our recent CARES winners for being **Respectful...Micah, Tyler C, Hunter, Emi, Darragh, Hendrick, Noah J, Alexis C, Marley, Noah R, Kobe, Lucas W and Meilah**



Winter Uniform

Thank you for ensuring your child is wearing the correct school uniform. As we head into cooler temperatures students are beginning to dress a little more warmly. **Thermals and socks must be navy blue or black.** Please make sure all uniforms are named and that footwear is black on black, black soles and black tops. No other colours are permitted.



Vision for Mosston School will be based around these concepts

To empower	confident, resilient learners/akonga	to lead, grow and succeed.
To grow	positive, independent learners/akonga	who thrive in learning and life.
To build	confident, respectful learners/akonga	who persevere, collaborate and
To inspire	resilient, responsible learners/akonga	strive for success.
To nurture	successful, independent	who are life-long learners.
	learners/akonga	who have the skills they need to
	positive relationships	succeed.

More forms are available at the school office, or ask for one to be sent home by texting 0274 287 967. Select one phrase in each column. We would like all responses in by the 4th of April.

What's Coming Up - also visit www.mosston.school.nz	
28 Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HOOT's Easter Hamper Raffle Non Uniform Day Lucky Book Club orders close
31 Mar	HOOT pizza orders due
1 Apr	West Cluster School Tabloid Sports Day (Years 1-3)
2 Apr	Hoods Up for Autism (students may wear a hoodie with their school uniform)
3 Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mosston School Duathlon at Mosston (Years 1-3) Hot X Buns delivered
4 Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Triathlon at Springvale Park (Years 4-6) Class swimming-year 3 children only
6 Apr	Daylight Savings Time ends
7 Apr	Raffle tickets returned by today
11 Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming Sports (Years 4-6) Class swimming-year 3 children only HOOTs Pizza Lunch Final Day of Term 1-school day ends at 3pm
28 Apr	Term 2 begins
6 May	Interschool hockey tournament (selected team)
6/7 May	Education Review Officers on site
Each weekday Breakfast Club 8:15-9am	
Pita Pit orders via www.lunchonline.co.nz on Fridays	

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