



Ngatimoti School Newsletter

Week Seven, Term Three 2024



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Term 3: Monday 22 July – Friday 27 Sept
Term 4: Monday 14 Oct – Wednesday 18 Dec
Festival Day is Sunday 27 October
TERM ONE 2025 begins TUESDAY 4 FEBRUARY

CAMP DATES:



R1: 1 night at Quinney's Bush: 5 Dec.
R3: 2 nights in Marahau: 12/13 November
R4: 3 nights in Marahau: 12/13/14 November,
R5 4 nights in Totoranui: 2-6 December

Parents and caregivers: If you wish to volunteer to be a camp helper and stay overnight, we will need to complete a police check, and plan this well in advance. Please get in contact Amanda in the office to begin this process.

What to look forward to in the next few weeks!

Wk 7: This week is Conservation Week

Enviro learning this week for all – more details below.

Fri 6 Sept: Interschool Chess Tournament – good luck to Room 4 students Stella, Madi, Alex and Orrin!

Wk 8: Mon 9 Sep: Smash Cricket for all classes.

Tues 10 Sept: Enviroleaders and ATYA reps to Bark Bay

Fri 13 Sept: Olympic trampolinist Dylan Schmidt visit

Wk 9: Māori Language Week

17 Sept: Tackle 7s Rugby for selected Y7/8

18 Sept: Netball party and prizegiving

18 Sept: Board meeting – 6pm

20 Sept: Festival planning meeting – 3.15pm

Wk 10: Friday 27 September is the last day of Term Three. It is also pet day!



Thank you for supporting our Daffodil Day fundraising last week. More than \$100 was raised from cake sales and donations and we will transfer that to the Cancer Society to support their research.

Conservation Week at Ngatimoti School

This week we have been taking action! It has been great to see so many R.I.V.E.R. students working so well with their buddies and to see the variety of projects underway. The stream group has tidied up around the plants at the stream and learned from Mel from Whitebait Connection about the importance of cool, clear and flowing water. Ed Stevens is rapt to have some more native trees planted on his farm. The scarecrow group are creating and planting funky bucket heads in preparation for Festival. The bird brigade is creating games to support the identification of native species. The garden group is learning about composting, worm farming and making an impact on the school gardens. Thanks, students, for your positivity, your innovation and your willingness to persevere with these projects.

Welcome to Spring! What a great time to celebrate growth and change! You may have heard that the NZ curriculum is changing, with refreshed Maths and English learning areas being introduced in 2025. For Ngatimoti School, there are very few changes, however the structure of the curriculum means we are thinking about changing the constitution of our classes.

Beginning next year, the curriculum is being shaped around Years 1 to 3 as an area of focus, then Years 4 to 6, and then Years 7 and 8. This does give us some options of having different teachers working together, and different class combinations.

Parents, if you feel particularly strongly about the placement of your child for 2025, please come in and talk to Ali. To reiterate, this is just an idea at the moment, and I welcome parents' input.



Above, Mel from Whitebait Connection with Bella, Beau and Shylo. Shylo is looking through a 'visibility tube' to check the water clarity at the stream. Lots of watery insects were identified too, which is also a good indication of stream health!



Left: Angus, Ziggy and Kaidyn help tackle some weeds at the stream.

★HAPPY★
BIRTHDAY! Best wishes to Lucy who turned 12 years old yesterday!

Rita will be 6 years old next Tuesday and we wish you both lots of fun on your special days, from everyone here at school.

FESTIVAL PLANNING Thanks to those who attended last week's planning meeting. There is a lot going on behind the scenes now, and Savana has begun filming some snippets of preparation for each department. The short film is being produced as a way of recording and promoting the festival and showcasing our amazing community. This includes your children, who are all helping out in some way. Attached to this newsletter is a consent form for you to complete and return if you give permission for your child to be on film. If you do not return this to school, we will not feature your child.

Here's how you may be able to help with festival organisation in other ways:

PLANT STALL: The planting is going well – we still require 6 cell plant pots, wooden pallets and cardboard boxes please, thank you!

SILENT AUCTION: Consider if you may be able to source a donation for our silent auction on festival day – any offers of services, vouchers, art, jewellery, sports gear, furniture, etc.

TREASURE TROVE: As well as donations of good quality second hand items; clothes, books, toys etc. we would love to receive coat hangers and clothes rails for us to display our goods on Festival day. If you know of anywhere we can borrow clothes rails etc, please get in touch. No junk please, and no electrical items. Bring them into school or contact us to arrange pick up!

ADVERTISING: We have printed posters/flyers at the office if anyone wants to take a pile to distribute in the next few weeks and over the holidays.

BOXES: Please save and bring in any boxes / bags we could use for festival shoppers at the plant stall and treasure trove. Thank you!

NETBALL Top Team games, final game and prizegiving for our Ngatimoti Diamonds at the Motueka Netball courts is this Saturday 7 September. The game begins at 9am. Please wear your uniforms for a 2pm prizegiving. To celebrate the end of netball season, we will have our Ngatimoti prizegiving party on **Wednesday 18 September** in Rathgar House after school. Please bring a plate of food to share, and there will be fun netball games and awards to follow.

Cakes for sale Fridays Each Friday we have a parent baking roster to provide cakes for sale to our students. Funds raised go towards parent group funds. Watch out for your name on the termly roster and when it's your duty day, please bake enough for approximately 30 pieces of cake/slice to sell for \$1 each. It would be helpful if you label any special ingredients, e.g. gluten free, too. Each Friday, please send your child with \$1 for a cake if you wish (no Juicies this term). Your children should also bring a healthy lunch on Fridays. Laura Townley is our parent cake roster coordinator. Contact 022 084 2606.

TERM 3 PARENT BAKING ROSTER	
6 September:	Nathalie (Rafael & Eleanor) River (Flint)
13 September:	Jala (Piko) Briar (Kaidyn)
20 September:	Amy (Eva) Barbara (Sam)
27 September:	Emelie (Loke, Viggo) Laura (Thea, Maisey)

MOTUEKA NETBALL CENTRE
SUPPORTER POSTER

Feeling Arty?!!!
Maybe a little bit Crafty?!

Prize up for
grabs for the
BEST
supporter
poster!

TOP TEAM GAMES
THIS SATURDAY
7 SEPTEMBER

St. James' Church, Ngatimoti
Next Sunday School is
15 September 10.30am
All welcome!
Every third Sunday of each
month 😊

Tennis lessons
Registrations for Term 4 tennis coaching are now open. Lessons cater for 5yrs through to teens using modified equipment for younger players. Learning through play ensures all ages have fun while developing lifelong skills. Register now
tennisvanessa@gmail.com
022 4600 320



Mixed breed, good for scrub control or meat
\$30 each - 021 299 3999

PHOTOGRAPHY / FILM CONSENT FORM
NGATIMOTI FESTIVAL 2024

Kia ora,

We are proud that you and your children are involved in organising this year's Ngatimoti Festival.

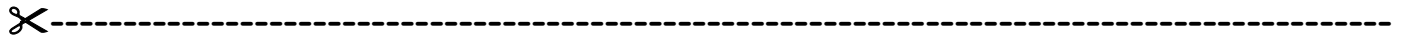
During the process, we'd love to take photos, and film some of the activities that your child is helping with and share these with others.

There is a permission form below for you to allow us to do this. By signing this form, you agree that pictures or videos of your child can be used to promote the Ngatimoti Festival.

Ask your child for more information: this is going to be great fun!

Thank you so much for your help,

Ngatimoti Festival Committee



PHOTOGRAPHY / FILM CONSENT FORM

I, _____ give my consent to Ngatimoti Festival organisers to photograph or film the following child/children under the age of 18, legally in my care:

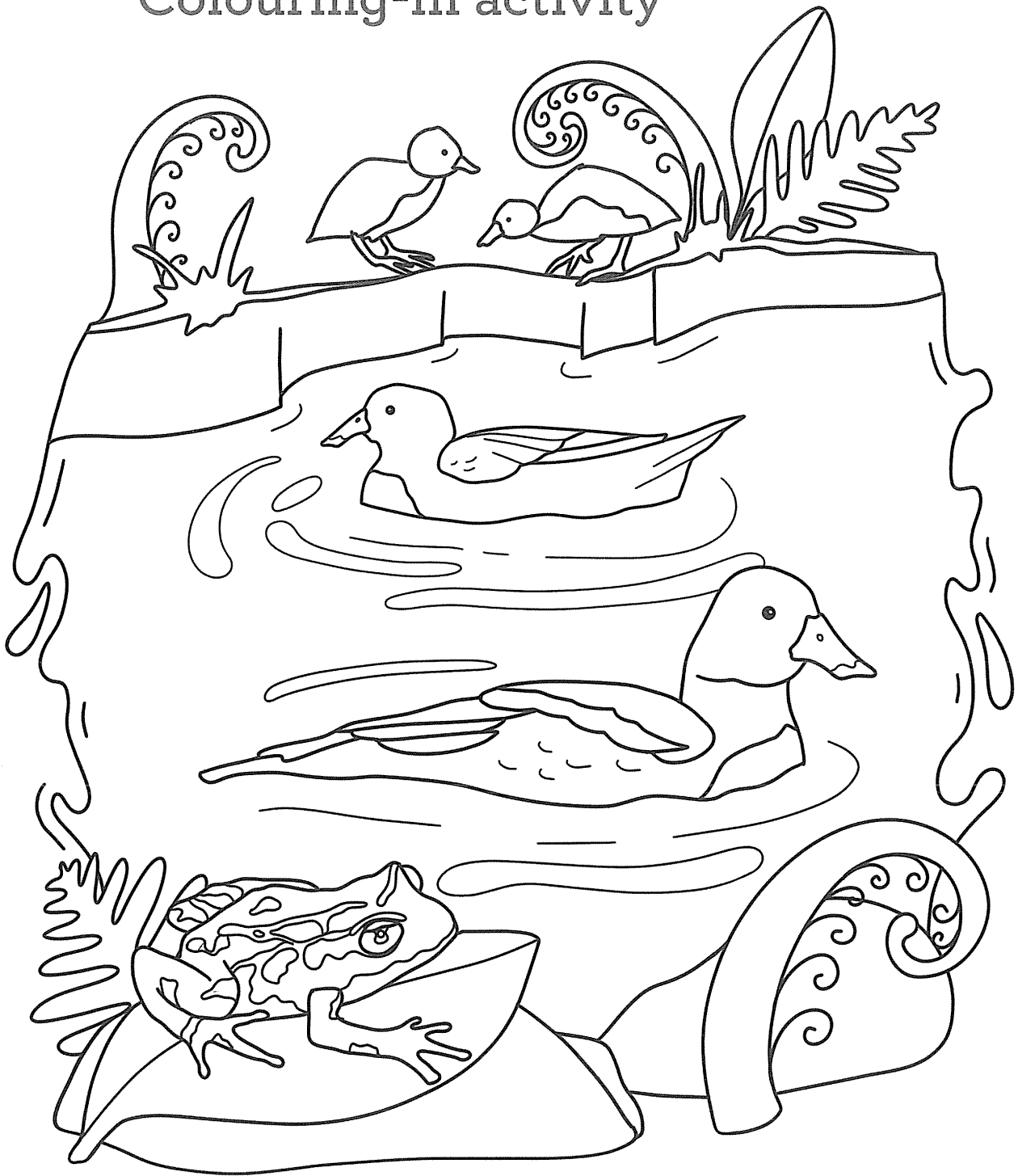
I understand photographs and/or film may be used to promote Ngatimoti Festival in the future.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Contact details:

ADDRESS:
PHONE:
EMAIL ADDRESS:

Colouring-in activity



Did you know?

Whoio/blue ducks growl and whistle instead of quacking!

Archeys frogs don't have a tadpole phase - they hatch as little 'froglet's and ride on their dad's back!