



RiwakaNews

#5 - 27 June 2025

**END OF
TERM TWO
2025**

**KEEP
CALM
AND
ENJOY YOUR
TERM BREAK**

RIWAKA

SCHOOL

is cool!

**OUR
PLACE!**

Kia ora koutou whānau - hello to all of our school families!

Term Two certainly ended in a way none of us expected. The intense weather and flooding that swept through our region had a big impact on many of our families and the wider community. Our thoughts and aroha are with everyone affected — we know this has been a challenging time, and we're holding you in our hearts.

With safety our priority, we made the only sensible decision to close the school on the last day of term. This meant our final assembly and farewells couldn't go ahead as planned. We'll now celebrate our learners' achievements and properly farewell Glenda with a special combined Learning Celebration Assembly on Friday 18 July, the first Friday of Term 3 — we'd love to see you there.

Despite the abrupt end, it's been a full and fabulous term!

Highlights include our Matariki hāngī (which raised around \$2,000 – huge thanks to Jason, Mark, Miro, Michael, Kane B, Whaea Vicki, Taane's whānau, Connings, and all of you who donated time, kai and expertise), the magical Spotlighting Evening, a fun and muddy Cross Country, our enriching visit to Te Puna o Riwaka, and a glowing Neon Disco thanks to our Student Council.

Most importantly, there's been amazing learning happening right across the school.

Next term is shaping up to be just as exciting, with skiing trips, Winter Tournament, marae visits, hands-on science kits, and our continued mahi with the Tasman Bay Guardians as we monitor our local waterways.

For now, we wish you a safe and (hopefully) restful break - let's hope the predicted weather doesn't create more damage and havoc. Please do reach out if there is something we can do to support you or your whānau. There is also offers of support via the Facebook group Top of the South Flood Help - Volunteers & Support with people offering things to donate, labour, fencing, general clean up.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back in Term 3.
Ngā manaakitanga

Adele Lidgard

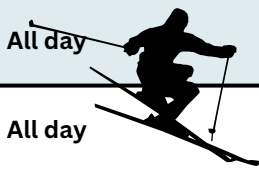
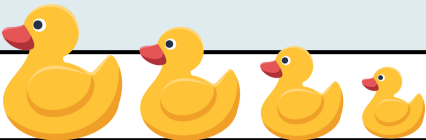
Tumuaki - Principal

Riwaka te puna wai, whakatipu nga tamariki
The flowing waters nurture our future generations



SOME UPCOMING DATES

Mon, 14 July	8:50am 10:45am	Term Three commences Mihi Whakatau - welcoming new learners and their whānau
Fri, 18 July	9:10am 3:30pm	Learning Celebration Assembly & Farewell to Glenda (Mrs B) followed by morning tea Student-led Conferences
Mon, 21 July	3:00pm	Mid-Year Reports sent out
Sun, 27 July	11am - 3pm	Duck Race & Mid Winter Swim
Wed, 20 August	All day	Y7-8 ski trip to Rainbow
Wed, 27 August	All day	Y4-6 ski trip to Rainbow



Starting Term 3, schools that are on local roads in the Tasman district will have a **30 km/h limit during pick-up and drop-off times**. This limit will only apply on the roads immediately outside the school gates or access points for a 90 minute period at the start and the end of the school day. New signs will clearly show when the variable speed limit applies. These signs will be static signs.

This change aligns with national regulations requiring all councils to introduce safe school speed zones by 1 July, 2026. It also supports our goal of safer streets near schools.



School 2025 FUNDRAISING



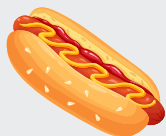
Upcoming Fundraising



27 July: Duck Race and mid-winter **Polar Plunge**

- tickets on sale soon

Please return your Duck Race offers of help asap



Hot Lunches every Friday in Term 3

- Hotdog and CookieTime Cookies

Please let Jenna Compton or friends@riwaka.school.nz know if you are available to help for an hour (12-1pm) to get the lunches out to our students.

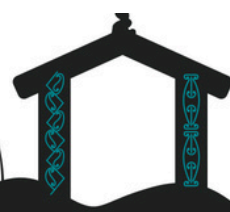


*Together,
We make a
Difference*

Junior Playground Concept Design



We currently have grant applications in with The Lion Foundation, Pub Charity Ltd and Trillian Trust to help fund this awesome project for our littlest learners!





School Board elections are coming up this year!
If you want to add value and contribute to the vision and strategic goals of our school, you would make a great trustee!

Every three years all public schools in Aotearoa hold elections for their School Boards, and this is going to happen again in 2025.

The School Board is a key part of our school because they do a lot of important things behind the scenes that while they may not be visible, are really important to keeping our school running. Our School Board write our strategic plan, consult with our community about things that matter, make sure our finance are being spent wisely and ensure that we are giving effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi within our school. Our board is made up of three parents, the Principal and a staff rep elected by the staff.

The board need to appoint a Returning Officer, who is responsible for the running of the election and we have appointed Election Pilot as the Returning Officer for our election and for the election to be provided online. They have been assisting schools with elections for over 20 years and have been the only election provider accredited by the Ministry of Education to provide online election services since online elections started in 2022.

Important things like the nomination and voting forms will be sent to you by email directly by Election Pilot on Friday, 18 July. If we don't have an email address for you Schooled Election Pilot will send these out to you by post so you don't miss out.

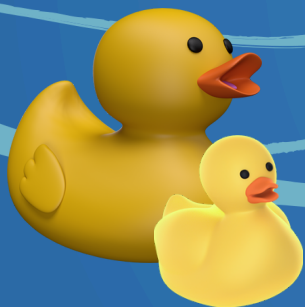
There are a lot of rules around School Board elections that need to be followed and the main ones are the Education and Training Act 2020 and the Education (Board Elections) Regulations 2022. Your name and contact details have been provided to Election Pilot to enable them to deliver elections services for our school as required by legislation. They will use your contact details for the provision of election services for Riwaka School only and your details will be deleted 60 days after the election date as required by legislation.

If you have any questions about the election process, the best people to talk to are the team at Schooled Election Pilot. You can contact the Returning Officer directly on 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369) or election@electionpilot.nz.

We will continue to keep you updated through the various stages of the election process, **our election date is Wednesday, 10 September.**



MID WINTER SWIM & DUCK RACE



SUNDAY, 27TH JULY 2025

KAITERITERI BEACH 11AM – 3PM

FOOD STALLS
FAMILY FUN **BIG DIG**
MUSIC **BOUNCY**
CASTLE



COMMUNITY NOTICES

MOTUEKA HIGH SCHOOL

OPEN EVENING

WEDNESDAY 23 JULY 2025

Commencing at 6.30pm

In the School Hall.

Come along to experience the many rich opportunities available to your son or daughter.

Self paced-tour.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Today's Learners, Tomorrow's Leaders



GARIN COLLEGE

Parent & Whānau Information Evening

Wednesday 16 July, 7.00pm
Garin Gymnasium

Come and hear about your Catholic college
This evening is aimed at providing information to parents and whānau. Students can also attend

Open Day for Year 8 Students

Wednesday 23 July, 12.00pm - 2.20pm

Come to your Catholic college for lunch and a look around

Programme

12.00pm Welcome from Principal at the gym
Complimentary lunch
Presentations from Garin College Leaders
Guided tours to see the school in action
Return to the gym for band performance and farewell

2.20pm Visitors depart and return to their own schools

(Any families wishing to have a tour of the Hostels, please meet Robert Booth - Hostel Manager at the main school office at 2.20pm)

Term 3!

Mountain biking sessions full of adventure, skills and fun!

Wednesday's
Koata Park Trails (Coddgers)
8-15yr olds

NEW 2hr Sessions 4-6pm

Starts July 23rd

Sunday Shreds
Rabbit Island
6-9yr olds

12:30 - 2pm

Starts July 27th

Sunday Shreds
Silvan Trails
9-15yr olds

NEW 2hr Session 3-5pm
Starts July 27th

Find information and bookings at www.krunkinkids.co.nz

Krunkin' Kids
Main bike coaching for youth

info@krunkinkids.co.nz

SARAU WINTER SALE

Preloved Books & Clothing

July 19th & 20th

11am - 3pm

MOUTERE HILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE

A fundraiser for Sarau Community Trust

GOLD FOSSICKING & more July School Holiday Programme

Go to yikesnelson.com click on Holidays
or call: 021803411

8am-6pm
Primary age

GoldenEdge
Show your creativity at the 2025
NELSON A&P SHOW
22 & 23 NOVEMBER

Sections:
Horticulture and Floral Art
Art
Handcraft
Cookery & Sugar Art
Photography
Stop-Motion Animation
Poultry, Lamb and Cattle classes

ENTRIES CLOSE:
Animal Classes Tuesday 3rd November
Photography Friday 7th November
Stop Motion Animation Friday 7th November
All other Sections - Friday 14th November

FREE ENTRY In Non Animal Sections
Children and Youth entrants
get a FREE 1 day Show ticket

For more information visit:
www.richmondpark.co.nz

KIDZ KLUB AFTER 3
Wicked Winter holiday programme
30th of June - 11th of July 2025

8.30am - 3.30pm
(aftercare may be available to 4:30pm depending on numbers)
LOWER MOUTERE SCHOOL HALL

\$45 per day
WINZ OSCAR Subsidies available to eligible families

hello WINTER

To get an enrolment form for your children contact
Leah Bailey-Young 027 512 0687
kidzklubafter3@gmail.com

BE IN QUICK AS SPACES ARE STRICTLY LIMITED!!!

Monday 30 th June	Tuesday 1 st July	Wednesday 2 nd July	Thursday 3 rd July	Friday 4 th July
Mystery Box What will be inside our box full of mystery? 	Winter Crafts What does Winter look like to you? Today we will craft all things Winter! 	Minute to win it You only have 1 minute, can you do the challenge before the timer runs out?? 	Movies in the Moutere Stay in your PJ's today! We are going to our very own cinema. 	Talent show Cartwheels, dancing, or singing, what secret talent do you have to share?
Monday 7 th July	Tuesday 8 th July	Wednesday 9 th July	Thursday 10 th July	Friday 11 th July
Challenge Day Everything is a challenge today, are you up for it?? 	Market Place Today we are going to make really cool stuff to sell at our own KK market 	Medieval Feast Dress up in your best medieval costume to win the head of the table, this spot is fit for a King and Queen! 	Magic Day Abracadabra! Who will be blown away by your magic tricks! 	Lego Masters It's our famous Lego Master's today. Who can beat our tallest tower record?

Incredible Years Parenting Programme Motueka

Group facilitators:
Phillipa Adams
Carolyn Marshall
Where: Motueka Family Service Centre
When: Wednesdays 9:30am-12:30pm
6th August - 3rd December 2025

Cost: FREE COURSE
Support for childcare available.
Support for transport available.

Who can enrol?

Parents/caregivers of a child between 3 & 8 years who would like support with their parenting skills. You are most welcome to bring along a support person, whānau tautoko, friend or family member.

To enrol or for more info contact:

Motueka Family Service Centre

Phone: 03 5280234

Phillipa - 021 0297 1506

Carolyn - 021 038 1017

Email: phillipamfsc@extra.co.nz

Address: 27 Talbot Street, Motueka

www.facebook.com/motuekafamilyservicecentre

Motueka
Family service
Centre

Supporting and empowering
families/whānau

Incredible Years Parenting Programme

For parents/caregivers of
3-8 year olds



The Incredible Years
Parents, teachers, and children training series