

### CREATIVE, CONFIDENT, COMPASSIONATE, CRITICAL THINKERS

# Coming up:

#### Term 4:

Athletics Training - Weeks 1-5

Teacher Only Day 17 November

Kārearea Camp - 22-24 November

Celebration of Learning - 29 November

Leavers' Hui (Assembly) - 8 December

Year 8 Principals' Day Out - 5 December

Last Day of 2023 - 15 December



## Message From Caro

Tēnā tātou e te MMS whānau,

I hope this newsletter finds you well as we transition into the warmer months of the year. There's a lot happening in our school community, so let's dive right in!

#### MMS Athletics Day & Western Zones Athletics Day

Our recent Whole School Athletics Day was a fantastic celebration of our students' athletic talents, and skills they have been building over the last 4 weeks. It was inspiring to see our tamariki giving it their all in various track and field events. They have all done really well, and all the teachers were commenting on how well behaved, how much effort was put in and the great sportsmanship our students demonstrated throughout the event. We're also proud to announce that several of our students made qualifiers, and represented our school today at the Western Zones Athletics competition.

#### Staying Vigilant about Seasonal Colds, Flu, and Covid

As we are in the change-of-season weather, we want to remind everyone to remain vigilant about seasonal colds and flu. Additionally, we are aware that Covid is still present in the wider community. Please continue to follow the current guidelines around testing, resting, and recovery. The health and safety of our students, staff, and community remain our top priority.

#### Bake Sale on December 9th at Ben Burn Park (see attached flyer)

Get your aprons ready because we have an exciting event coming up! On December 9th, we will be hosting a bake sale at Ben Burn Park. We'll be providing delicious treats during the Christmas Carols evening. We kindly request your help with baking goodies for this event. Your contributions will make this evening even sweeter!

#### **Teacher Only Day on November 17th**

A reminder to please mark your calendars for November 17th. On this day, our school will not be open as our teachers will be focusing on professional development to enhance their practice and refresh our curriculum. We appreciate your understanding and support.

#### **Community Cultural Celebration on November 29th**

Save the date! On November 29th, we have our Community Cultural Celebration planned. This event will showcase the talents of our whānau groups, who will be performing waiata. In addition, there will be a showcase of artwork with your tamariki's pieces available for sale. Plus, you'll be able to enjoy delicious food from our Garden to Table program. It's sure to be a wonderful evening of culture and community spirit.

#### Kārearea Camp from November 22nd to 24th

The Kārearea Camp is just around the corner! From November 22nd to 24th, our students will embark on an exciting outdoor experience. They'll have the opportunity to learn, explore, and bond with their peers in a beautiful natural setting. We can't wait to share about their adventures upon their return.

As always, if you have any questions or need more information about any of these events, please don't hesitate to reach out to the school office or your child's teacher.

Thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in our school community. Together, we continue to make Mākara Model School a wonderful place for our tamariki to learn and grow.

Noho ora mai

Caro

