



Our fabulous teachers on strike!



# Newsletter

## TOGETHER WE GROW

Kia ora kotou,

Today is Arbor day. It is an international day dedicated to planting a tree and Moturoa School has taken part over the years. Many of our gardens have been planted to commemorate arbor day including the large Puriri tree at the front of the school. This tree was planted in 1994. The same place where the original puriri tree was planted in 1934, This year we have planted a rimu tree beside our orchard. We had the whole school involved and it was planted by our youngest and eldest student. Thank you to Bill Clarkson for organising this special occasion.

Nga Mihi

Mr Hamish Hislop

### Planting

A group of 12 students took part in a planting beside Paritutu yesterday. We had students from all of our classes involved. There were 120 plants, grown by our students, planted on the roundabout at the Paritutu carpark. Thank you to all the helpers for making this possible including the council.

### Anderson Pies

Thank you to everyone that ordered pies. We made just over \$1000 profit! This money will go towards a new playground.

Thank you Amy F, Miss Emma and Miss Fiona for helping with the sorting of pies.

### Board of Trustees

Congratulations to our new Board members for the next three years. We would like to welcome Dane Haskell, Lauren Wallace, Hayden Owen and welcome back to Cees Bevers. The board are responsible for the governance and direction of Moturoa School.

### Interschool Sports

This Friday we host Marfell Primary school in netball and football. It is our third interschool fixture and support from our families would be appreciated. We welcome Marfell @ 12:45pm, games start @ 1:15pm and afternoon tea is @ 2:15pm. All children that play need to bring a plate of food.

### Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club will run on Monday, Tuesday and Friday's from 8:30am - 9:00am in our school hall.

This programme is run by two parents, Julie Clarke and Amber Kilgour with the help of others.

Any child is welcome at the Breakfast Club!

A big shout out goes to Jemma and Ben Souness for their kind donation to get this programme off the ground. Thanks to our Friends and Family committee for your contribution. A humongous thank you to Jessica Clout and the staff from Working for Health for the donation of food vouchers and the on going support each term to keep this programme running!

### Teachers Strike

Last wednesday teachers at Moturoa were part of the nationwide 'mega' strike. We all joined the hundreds of teachers demonstrating the need for change in the education sector. We are fighting for the government to make changes to encourage more people into the profession and retain and support teachers already in the profession. Pay is part of the argument but all the issues are equally important. There is a critical shortage of people training to become teachers and this has a massive impact on our schools. We are wanting more resources to support our most vulnerable students and more time to teach.

Many of us were on the street corner at 8.00am outside Spotswood Countdown and then at Puke Ariki for the street march. Thank you to the families who came and supported us on the march.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 6 3 JUNE	4 Arbor Day - Paritutu planting The Tortoise and the Hare show @ 2pm	5 Te Reo & Kapa Haka	6 Mobile Library	7 Interschool Sports. We host Marfell - Children in team to bring a plate Assembly @ 2:15pm
WEEK 7 10 JUNE	11	12 Te Reo & Kapa Haka	13	14
WEEK 8 17 JUNE	18 Planting day @ Sandy Bay	19 Te Reo & Kapa Haka	20 Mobile Library	21  Assembly @ 2:15pm
WEEK 9 24 JUNE	25	26 Te Reo & Kapa Haka	27 Interschool Sports. We host St Patricks - Children in team to bring a plate	28
WEEK 10 1 JULY	2	3	4 Mobile Library	5 TERM 2 ENDS Assembly @ 2:15pm  Reports go home

### Trees for Survival

We had another busy and successful Arbor Day on Tuesday this week at Moturoa School. In the first part of the morning representatives from each class were involved in an Arbor Day planting at Paritutu-Centennial Park. We have been planting at this site for over 12 years now and the children have helped develop and look after some amazing gardens featuring the special local rare and threatened native coastal plants they have been growing in the school propagation unit. Back at school after the planting all of the students new to the school since last Arbor Day potted up a kowhai seedling to take home and look after; a tradition that was started in 1994. The whole school also witnessed a special planting ceremony to celebrate Arbor Day. This involved our youngest and eldest students planting a young rimu which is the tree we are all studying at school this term. We had wonderful support on the day. Thanks go to everyone that helped with transport and with the planting at Paritutu-Centennial Park; including two representatives from Beach Energy that joined us and helped with the planting. Special thanks also go to NPDC staff for helping prepare the planting site and assisting on the day. The children worked very well together and showed a lot of care and enthusiasm. They can be proud to know they have helped create a special sanctuary for some of our unique local coastal plant species.

