Motueka Valley Association Newsletter



SEASONS SEASONS GREETINGS Wishing you

a festive holiday season and a very happy new year

WORD NEEDLES

I
wrote
a poem
in the shape
of a Christmas
tree but then forgot
to water it and only a few
days
later

there

words

were

all

over

the

carpet

by Brian Bilston

NEXT MVA MEETING

Wednesday 12 December, 8pm Ngatimoti Community Rooms

All welcome!

No newsletter in January

The next issue will be delivered on Thursday 7 February.

Thank you John!

John Anderson's been mowing the lawns at St James Church and the Ngatimoti War Memorial for the past many years.

Resignation

Fran Deech has resigned from the MVA committee. Thank you Fran for having been such a great MVA minute taker.

No MVA meeting in January

The first meeting for 2019 will be on 13 February.

Concert a success

The MVA's 5th annual concert was held at Ngatimoti's delightful St James Church on Friday 23 November.

Margarita on the violin and Miles on the guitar have been wowing Nelson audiences for decades. Joined by their violinist daughter Fleur and playing a remarkably diverse and accessible repertoire to a full house, the Jackson trio impressed with their great musical and technical skills. Many thanks to St James Church's trustees for again making the church available.

Trio Jackson



NGATIMOTI SCHOOL NEWS

Term 4: 15 October - 20 December 2018

TERM 1 2019: THU 7 FEB - FRI 13 APRIL TERM 2: Mon 29 April - Fri 5 July



Our logo: The triangle shape is significant geographically, because Crusader is a focal point and looks over us, historically as the cairn at the front of the school links us to the past, and educationally as we believe that parents, students and teachers need to work together for the best outcomes for all.

The river flowing through symbolises our RIVER values; a part of all that we do. Our students are *Respectful, Positive, Innovative, Excellent and Responsible*

Pool Keys The school swimming pool is OPEN! Pool

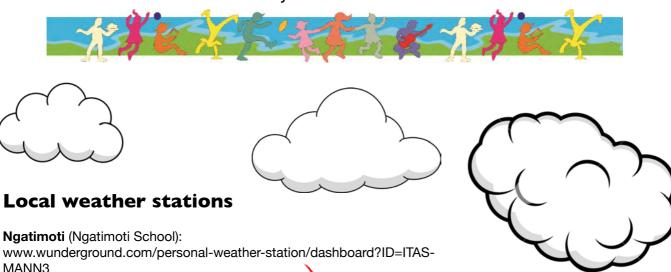
keys are for sale from the school office at a cost of \$60 (\$40 if you have a child currently enrolled at Ngatimoti School), with \$10 refunded on return of your key - BE QUICK as school closes on Thursday 20 December. You may pay by cash or cheque at the office (open 8.30am - 3pm daily) or you may also pay directly online to account 03 1354 0359568 00 (please reference swim pool key). There is an agreement to sign before you purchase a key so please request one from the office. The pool is open to the public between the hours of 12 noon - 6pm during the school holidays and after school, except when swimming lessons are in progress - times and dates for these will be displayed at the poolside (not yet confirmed). Thanks to TDC for their annual subsidy for the running of the pool. Thanks also to Festival funds for enabling us to keep our pool open to the public once again.

<u>Plans for 2019</u> We say goodbye to 13 of our year 8 students who move on to High School at the end of the year - good luck to our wonderful RIVER students! We also have a significant number of junior students expected to enrol at the beginning of 2019. The planned Hall renovation and earthquake strengthening project is expected to begin very soon, and there are also plans underway to renovate and modernise two more classrooms in 2019.

Ngatimoti School welcomes all students back to school on Thursday 7 February 2018. New enrolments welcome. For more information about Ngatimoti School please contact Ali Turner, Principal Tel: 03 526 8842.

office@ngatimoti.school.nz www.ngatimoti.school.nz

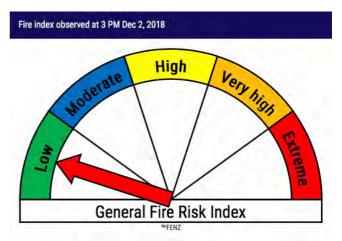
Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Have a safe and happy holiday, from everyone here at school!

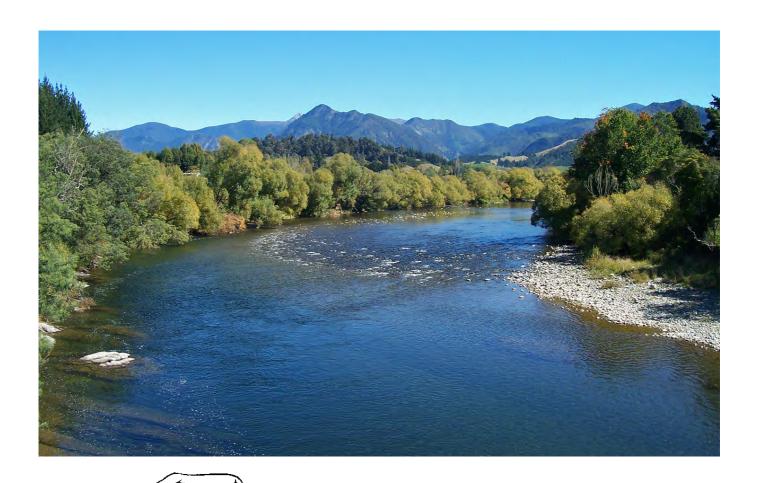


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Fire indices map for the Nelson-Tasman region: www.fireweather.niwa.co.nz/region/Nelson%20Tasman





School holiday swimming lessons

at Ngatimoti School Pool with Catherine Chick.

5 day course in the 2nd half of January. (Dates still to be confirmed.) 4yrs upwards. Small groups, half hour lesson per day. \$30 per child for 5 lessons. For more info or to register please call 021 761 764 or email catherinechick@gmail.com.

ST. JAMES CHURCH NGATIMOTI

Family Service

Sunday 16th December - 10.30am

Conducted by Rev Russell Pickersgill-Brown
Children's Sunday School

Morning tea and social time to follow

All Welcome

Christmas Carol Service

Monday Evening 24th December - 7.30pm
in the Church with the Motueka Brass Band

Motueka Valley Association

Meetings every 2^{nd} Wednesday of the month at 8pm (7.30pm in winter) in the Ngatimoti Community Rooms.

Everyone welcome!

For community concerns email the MVA at info@mva.org.nz or contact any of the following **committee members:**

 Bruce Dyer
 526 8288

 Irma Jager
 526 8080

 Peter Laufkotter
 526 8554

 Greg Mason
 526 8112

 Chris Tait
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 Tinamarie Temara
 021 0293 5338

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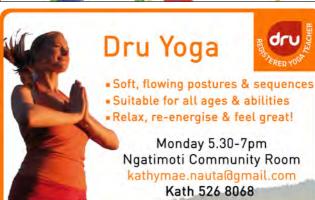
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