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Thanks

... to the amazing team of parents who have been working so hard on preparations for Trivia Night 11 August ... and to sponsors and those who will be attending on this night.

People of the week

... our International Schools English candidates.
... Dejaun Paniora-Sovea who was recently awarded St John Caregiver, First Aid and CPR Certificates. Congratulations Dejaun.
.. Player of the Day - Netball - Kiwi's : Nicole Collier & Jesse Brown Williamson; Weka's - Eva Pitchforth

Term Calendar ... *More to follow as dates come to hand!*

7 August	School Photos
9 August	Year 7 & 8 Debating at Huanui College (round 1)
10 August	Taniwha Challenge (Zone Cross Country) at TeHoro School
10 August	Red Cross programme - Room 11
11 August	Trivia Night
13 August	School Cross Country
14 August	International Schools Mathematics Examination
15 August	TEACHER STOP WORK MEETING
17 August	Year 6, 7 & 8 students at Youth Summit
27-30 August	Central Northland Regional Science and Technology Fair
29 August	Whangarei Primary Schools Cross Country Event
24 - 25 Sept	School Production
27 Sept	Years 7 & 8 Debating at Huanui College (Round 2)
28 Sept	Final Day of term 3 (first day term 4 - 15 Oct)

Commencing Virtue term 3

If you have not yet done so please set aside some time to discuss the Joyfulness Virtue material sent home last week with your children

Please discuss the importance of joyfulness

... talk about how you practise joyfulness

... set some joyfulness goals and let us know of any special moments

Stop Work Meeting 15 August

As advised, primary school teachers around New Zealand have voted to attend a full-day stop work meeting on Wednesday 15 August.

In light of this, the Board of Trustees has determined that Matarau School will be closed on this day. Please note that buses will not run on this day. It is worth noting that this is the first stop work / strike primary teachers have taken in over 20 years.

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Reminders from last week ... visit newsletter archives on our website

... Changes in intended secondary schools for year 8's ... Parent/teacher interviews room 8
... Missed your interview? ... Change of clothes for cross country practices
... Year 7 and 8 technology classes ... Attendance Concern letters ... Homework
... Calf Club Day 2018

School Cross Country - Monday 13 August

You are warmly invited to support our cross country runners on 13 August. Please extend this invitation to extended family. The event will be held across the road (same location as last year) We will follow with more details and a race schedule next week.

*Sponsors of this year's School Cross Country ... are
Garnet Motor Services and Hayden Martin Electrical*

School Photos - 7th August

Please note that school photos are scheduled for next Tuesday - 7 August. Please return forms with money on Monday, but our preference is for you to order and pay online. To place and pay for orders please visit lizdaviesphotography.co.nz Any questions to the office please.

Scholastic Book Club

Orders due back by 10 August.

Headlice Inspections

Has been scheduled for 9am next Wednesday 8 August. *If you can help for an hour or so please stop by the staffroom at 9am.* All training given, confidentiality is the only requirement. These inspections are critical if we are to keep on top of this problem, so please contact Helen if you can help.

Plea from the Junior School

An urgent request for little boys long & short pants. We have absolutely none available for emergencies! If you have outgrown pants at home could we please use them. (We're fine for undies though!) Many thanks!

International Schools Competitions

The office is still issuing practice papers for the Maths exam on request. It is the responsibility of parents to ensure that children sit at least 2 practice papers a week at home please (parents will also need to mark these - marking sheet provided). A reminder that the Mathematics exam is on 14 August

Zone Cross Country - Te Horo Taniwha Challenge - Year 4-8s

A reminder that this event is scheduled for 10 August. Entries were submitted this week. We suggest children bring something warm for the day, lunch, plenty to drink, a change of clothes, suitable footwear, and spending money at your discretion. Inevitably children will return a bit muddy and so, if picking them up at the end of the day, maybe bring a towel for them to sit on in the car.

Cambridge Survey

When we surveyed our former Cambridge Students (now at High School), they responded as follows ... I am doing well compared with my non-Cambridge peers ...

... agree 20%, strongly agree 60%, very strongly agree 20%

My High School teachers are giving me positive feedback ...

... strongly agree 60%, very strongly agree 40%

More responses next week.

Home Gardens

Please discuss with your children the possibility of having a home garden this year. This programme gets underway some time later this term (timeline to follow), and culminates in judging at year's end with a trophy presented at prizegiving. We will send an expression of interest form out **within the next couple of weeks** and so please let your child know if you want one of these forms sent home.

Finally

Recently the school applied to the Ministry of Education for funding to further develop and improve writing across our school. We are pleased to advise that this application was successful. Current writing levels compare favourably with similar schools, but this is an area where we feel we can improve. Over the next 18 months staff will work with expert facilitators to further refine and improve our practices for the benefit of all children. We will keep you posted on developments.

Kind Regards Nga mihi nui

Kevin Trehwella
PRINCIPAL

Our Sponsors support your
children, please support them



Trivia Night Fundraiser

Saturday 11 August 2018 - 7pm until late

Thanks to the following companies who have paid for Table Sponsorship, more to follow

- Dave Neumann Contracting • David's Pharmacy
- Garnet Motor Services • Brad McKegg - Ray White Bream Bay
- Protectus • Hayden Martin Electrical

Prize Donations: Thanks to the following people who have donated amazing prizes to be auctioned ...

- Mahinepua Weekend Accommodation - Christine Smith
- Weekend at Mangawhai Holiday Park - Richard & Noela Gunson
- Glamping at Adrenalin Water Park - Sponsored by Smith Family
- Kamo Vets • LEATT Kids BMX Clothing - donated by My Bike

Phone Bids on the night welcome - Pre-organise with Jenny (021729536) or Vanessa (021109845)

Book your table group (4-6 people per team)

\$25 per person or \$135 per table (max 6 people)

2 tables left - if you would like to go but don't have a full team, let us know & we will match you up with others on a table group. Come meet some new faces

- EFTPOS available on the night for purchases
- Bring cash/coins for fun quick fire games

BYO Drinks - Remember to organise a SOBER driver

Book your tickets online <http://bit.ly/MatarauTriviaNight> or at the office

Don't miss out on a fantastic night!!!

Grocery Item for the Hampers

Please bring in your items for hampers by Wednesday 8th August –
anything & everything accepted!

Raffle Tickets – please return all raffle tickets (sold or unsold) with
money by Friday 10th August to the office.

Reusable Produce Bags fundraiser

If you (friends or family) would like to order another set or 2 of these bags we have plenty of spares in the office. Please contact Helen if you would like to order some more.

School Lunches – Term Orders Welcome

Mondays - \$3.00 : Baked Beans or Spaghetti served with toast & a juice, or Chicken or Beef Cup of Noodles & a juice.

Order at the office by morning tea on Monday.

Wednesdays - \$1.50 : for Sausage (meat or vegetarian option) in bread with sauce. Order on Wednesday mornings through the classroom.

Fridays - \$4.00 - Hot Mince Pie or Mince & Cheese Pie or Sausage Roll (with Museli Bar) or Butter Chicken Wrap or \$4.50 - Chicken Salad Wrap. All delivered with a juice box. Or swap the Fruit drink for a Milk for \$1 extra.

Order by Wednesday afternoon at the office, to receive Friday. We cannot supply lunches on Friday if the order is placed after Thursday morning.



Community Notices

Childcare - Fully qualified Early Childhood teacher starting homebased childcare in Matarau from 20th August. Up to 3 spaces available daily for children aged 0 to 5. WINZ subsidies available. For more info please call Mara on 0211 091 959.

LADIES MOVIE NIGHT - Comrie Park Kindy fundraiser. *Oceans* @ 6pm Thursday 25 August, Event Cinema's. Come and join us for an evening of laughs, enjoy a glass of bubbles, some nibbles and a great movie! Giveaways on the evening as well! Tickets (\$25 each) available from Comrie Park Kindergarten. Tel 433 5045

Storytime Character Hunt, Sunday 12th August at 10.30am, Whangarei Central Library. Search the nooks & crannies of the library for real life book characters.

Rising Starz production – Phantom of the Talent Factor – 6.30pm 10 & 11 August; or 1.30pm Sunday 12th; Riverbank Theatre, Whangarei. Tickets \$6 each or \$20 for 4. More Info contact risingstarznz@gmail.com or Camilla on 021 088 553 28

Sophie Sparrow Benefit Concert – before she embarks on her way to Guildhall London. Featuring Luke Bird, Jarvis Dams, Anna Mahon & Juan Kim. 3pm Sunday 5th August. St Francis Xavier Church Percy Street, Whangarei.