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Thanks

... to our camp parents
... to those who supported our senior speech and debate teams this week.

People of the week

... those amazing children who entered art exhibits in this year's Art Scholarship. The artwork was phenomenally good. You can be very proud.
... Summer Dackers - whose pet lamb, Petal, did very well at the Central Ag Day recently... they got 1sts in Leading, Rearing, Calling & Intermediate Leading & Overall Open Leading. Congratulations Summer!

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

26 November Spelling Bees - some time this week
28 November Year 7 and 8 Interschool Athletics
1 December Home Garden judging / Schools BMX Challenge
4 December Parent Helpers morning tea / Kapa Haka performance
5 December Year 4-6 Interschool Athletics
6 December School Team Athletics Day
7 December School Council Disco
10 December School Prize Giving (underway 6:30 pm)
11 December Reports issued
14 December Final day of the school year (school finishes 3:00 pm)

Urgent reminder to our school gardeners

... Garden Diaries due in on Monday - 26th, to the office please
... Consent to Visit forms MUST be in on Monday also. Please note that, where consents have not been returned, gardens will not be visited. Please note that you do not need to be at home when judges call on Saturday 1st December. Just make sure your garden is very well signposted & any dogs are tied up - judges will not enter a property where dogs are loose).

School Prizegiving - Monday 10 December

... getting underway at 6:30pm in the school hall. According to custom we will have a little present for each student ... as well as for pre-schoolers. **If you intend bringing your pre-schooler to prizegiving please give Helen a call).**

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Reminders from previous weeks ... visit newsletter archives on our website

... After School Swimming Lessons ... Guava moth traps ... ICAS practice papers ... School BMX Challenge

Parent Helpers' Morning Tea

Parents who have assisted the school in any way whatsoever this year are invited to a Parent Helpers' Morning Tea in the school hall starting
10:30 am Tuesday 4 December.

This is our chance to say thank you for the contributions you have made to the school over 2018. So .. whether you have helped in classrooms, the library, camps, day trips,.. whatever .. please join us if you can.
If you think you will be at this morning tea can you please advise Helen next week to assist us with catering.

School Council Disco

Friday 7 December ... Lunchtime for the Junior School (Years 1-3) - theme .. dress as a Disney character.
Years 4-8 - 7:00 to 9:30pm for the rest of the school - no theme for the senior disco
Years 4 to 8 are asked to please bring a plate for supper and a gold coin donation.

Kapa Haka Performance

You are warmly invited to our end of year kapa haka performance, to take place 2:30 pm Tuesday 4 December in our school hall. This is an opportunity to see children performing in their brand new kapa haka uniforms, and to celebrate some of what they have learnt this year. We will also acknowledge some special achievements over 2018. See you there.

School Team Athletics Day - Thursday 6 December

You might like to drop by Thursday 6 December to share our Team Athletics Day with us. As in earlier years, the day will start with a rotation through various field and novelty events and culminate in competitive and social track events, and a brief award ceremony at the end of the day. Gets underway at 9:20, lunch 12:20 to 1:00, prizegiving 2:40 (approx.) Please ensure children have their water bottle (named), sunhats, sunblock, suitable (sun safe) clothing and suitable footwear. Children are encouraged to dress in their house colours (creativity encouraged).

Thank you to **Meganlicious Cakes** and **Protectus** who are sponsoring this year's event.

Unity Virtue

... please keep working on this.

Interschool Athletics Qualifiers - Years 4 to 8

Y7 & 8 Event - 28 November **Y4 - 6 Event** - 5 December

Still a few consents missing ... super urgent now ... Monday please. Any questions in the run up to Brenda please. Good luck to those representing us at the senior tournament next week.

2019 School Stationery

As for 2018, stationery will need to be ordered online via the OfficeMax website - www.myschool.co.nz



The class stationery lists will be uploaded by the time school closes & confirmation of your child's 2019 classroom will be confirmed by then too. On the Officemax website search for Matarau School and then your child's class. Orders can be placed across the holidays for delivery before school starts. A brochure will be sent home shortly explaining the process.

If you do not have internet access please contact Helen for a printed list.



Art Scholarship - Years 4 to 8

In coming weeks we really would like to honour those students who have entered portfolios in this year's competition. The standard is extremely high, and they should feel very proud of what they have achieved. Artworks are on display in the library and so please drop by and take a look. We have two amazing seniors (Jacob and Jack) currently making a documentary on the exhibition, including interviews with the exhibitors, and we will make this available to you for viewing (and sharing with extended family) shortly.

Year 8 Dental Forms

Year 8 students have been issued with a set of forms to enrol them for free dental services until they are 18. Please return these forms in the postage paid envelope that is provided with the form. Any queries to the Community Dental Clinic please - 0800myteeth.

Library books /Junior Readers at home?

... please have a careful look around home (book cases, under beds etc) and get these to school next week. Many thanks!

Scholastic Book Club - Last Issue for 2018

Issue 8 is available from the office (it will not be sent to classrooms due to time constraints). Please collect a copy if you'd like to order but please note orders need to be at the office by next Friday, 30th November.

Year 3 & 4 Camp Fees

NEVER feel embarrassed to ask for a little longer to pay fees. If you would like to discuss time payment arrangements for camp, or any other school expense, no problem, just contact Kevin.

Spelling Bees

... underway next week. If your child will be representing their class level they can practise at home ... as these words must be spelt orally, visualisation is the key.

Year 8 Leaving Books

A reminder ... books are due at school by Monday 3 December. Thank you so much parents for your support here.

Lost Property

Please drop by to check the lost property bin sometime over the next couple of weeks. Items unclaimed by term's end will be donated to charities.

Finally

A few special events coming up. We know you are busy but we hope to see you at a few of these events.

Kind Regards *Nga mihi nui*

Kevin Trehwella
PRINCIPAL

Our Sponsors support your
children, please support them



Fundraising Raffle Tickets

Thanks to the families who have returned raffle ticket butts & money. If you would like another book please contact the office. Proceeds of the sale of these tickets goes to the Library to promote reading, or if you have a child in year 6 or 7 proceeds will go directly against the cost of their 2019 camp.

Please also remember to send in a non-perishable item (or 2) which can go in a hamper which will help lucky winners celebrate the end of the year.

Community Notices

Kidzones Holiday Programmes Opening hours for Summer.

Kamo Kidzones Only will be opening pre-Christmas from the 17th to 21st December.

Kamo, Tikipunga, & Whau Valley Kidzones will be opening 7th to 25th January.

Tikipunga Kidzones Only will be opening an extra week 24th January to 1st February.

Visit our facebook page to see what awesome activities we get up – or visit www.kidzones.co.nz and enrol online for an easy process. Contact Sandra on 021 249 3308 or sandra@kidzones.co.nz

Whangarei Choral Society presents Critters 'n' Christmas on Saturday Dec 8th 2.30 pm at Christ Church, 2 Kamo Rd. Conductor Rolene Sowden with Ray Palmer's Handbell Group. Adults \$20 Children \$10. Tickets at the door.

Kamo Swimming Club– 2018/19 Season - Stroke Improvement lessons for children who can swim 10m in basic strokes without stopping. Held at Kamo High School Pool, Wilkinson Ave from Monday 29th October at 4.25pm and thereafter Mondays & Fridays. High School students & parents welcome - good opportunity to come & swim lengths, get stroke improvement tips and fitness in a relaxed environment. Cost per swimmer only \$85 for the season – very reasonable cost to ensure your child is swim safe and competent. Contact Karena Nisbet – 027 470 7955 for more info.

She Loves Golf - Ladies give golf a go at Northland Golf Club, Pipiwai Road. Fridays 9.30-11 & Sundays 3-4.30pm. Coaching sessions give you more confidence. Clubs & balls supplied. \$5 per session. Contact the Golf Shop 435 1777 or shop@northlandgolfclub.co.nz

Whangarei Boys High School PTA Uniform Sale - One day only - 23rd January 2019 - 5pm-7pm Polos, shorts, Jackets and more, from \$2-\$30. Location : Whangarei Boys High School Hall

Pilates – at Ruatangata Hall 6.15pm each Wednesday & Friday with Carla from Just Thrive. \$100 for 10 sessions. Great for strengthening your core. Mats supplied.

Monster Pre-Christmas Garage Sale – Saturday 8th December. Whangarei Boys High School Hall. Doors open 7am. BYO bags. Support Cyrus & his basketball team to travel to Las Vegas in 2019. If you have goods to donate, call Michele to collect 027 4807 966, or Jess 027 4382 181.

Whangarei A&P Show, Saturday December 1st, **New Zealand Young Farmers** will be running a fun and friendly competition for kids. **The Junior Young Farmers Rural Challenge**.

The aim is to engage youngsters with rural life and give them an opportunity to learn about farming, horticulture and where food comes from. Also good practice for the Northern Region Agrikids and Junior Young Farmer contest at Warkworth 16 March 2019. Agrikids 8 - 13 years old; TeenAg 13 - 18 years old. There will be some pretty good prizes.

If you would like more details please phone 027 668 8036. Pip Beauchamp, Northern Territory Manager, New Zealand Young Farmers

School Lunches

Please note there will be no Wednesday or Friday lunches on the last week of term – Wednesday 12th or Friday 14th December.



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 **Chicken Salad Wrap**. All delivered with a juice box. Or swap the Fruit drink for a Milk for \$1 extra. **PLUS - NEW SEASONAL Chilled Mixed Fruit Cup only \$2.50**

Order by Wednesday afternoon at the office, to receive Friday. We cannot supply lunches on Friday if the order is placed after 9am Thursday morning.