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Thanks

... parents and students for your support of this week's Teacher Only Half Day - up to us now to deliver the goods.

... to Jenny Wiegiersma for stepping up to manage the zone cross country team

People of the week

... the following 6 boys selected for the Whangarei North Zone in age rep rugby this year; Under 11 - Liam Rosemergy, Hazza Brooker, Preston Tawhiti; Under 12 - Tokomauri Tito, Asher O'Donnell, Lachie Marvin; and in Whangarei Under 13's (all zones) - Kobi Reid

... our interschool cross country representatives, and especially Harrison Brooker, Ephraim Jongkind & Van Leith who will go on to run at Northland ... Esther Wiegiersma, Brenna Misilei, Xeryus Wilson, Jacob Pivac and Darius Fedarb who won awards at this year's Regional Science and Technology Fair.

Well done

... Dylan Bedford who recently won a fishing rod for his outstanding poem in the Minstrel Writing Competition. Well done Dylan! Can we publish your poem in next week's newsletter?

Our new virtue

We are pleased to announce that our focus virtue for the remainder of term 3 is **THANKFULNESS**. Please take time to discuss this virtue with your children over coming weeks.

... Why should we show thankfulness?

... What does thankfulness look like?

... How and where do you practise thankfulness in your own life?

... How does thankfulness impact others?

Children will be discussing this virtue at school over coming weeks. Please find support material attached, and don't hesitate to contact us with shining examples of THANKFULNESS so that we can celebrate together.

Virtues Recipients

The shining examples from each class for the JOYFULNESS virtue will be announced next week.

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

19 Sept Northland Cross Country (Barge Park)
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)

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

... Art Scholarship ... Lucky Book Club Orders ... Learning Support Programmes ... Less than ideal attendance



Calf Club Day - Thursday 18 October 2018

If you haven't already, you need to start thinking now if your child/ren want to rear a lamb or goat for Calf Club Day. The animal must be born after 1st July 2018. Lambs & Goats are judged on rearing, leading & calling.



You can also bring a 'pet' which can include rabbits, guinea pigs, fish, chicken etc. A pet booklet will be sent home with interested children nearer the end of term. Note that **NO DOGS or PUPPIES** are permitted and the animal will need to be in a cage for the duration of the day. **Please do not bring pregnant animals or new-borns on the day as this could put them under stress that would not be good for their health.** More information will be sent home closer to the end of the term.



Home Gardens ... it isn't too late!

Expression of Interest Forms were sent home couple of weeks ago with interested children. If your child did not bring a form home, and you would like one, please contact their teacher or the school office.

Note from the organising teachers - *Thank you to everyone who has returned their forms and are taking part in this year's school home garden challenge. We were thrilled to see so many students wanting to take part again this year. Our first meeting for students will be early next week with the diaries following soon after. The diaries will contain further information about garden dimensions and requirements regarding how many type of plants are recommended.*

Rachael Burgin, Simone Schimmel, Jayde Jongkind

Matarau School Home Gardening Page

The purpose of this page is to inspire you with edible garden ideas, share gardening tips, any notices to do with home gardening and provide a place for children's garden progress to be shared.

www.facebook.com/matarauschoolhomegardens

Science Fair Awards

Congratulations to the following senior students who won awards at the Regional Science Fair this week. The awards are as follows:

Xeryus Wilson - Highly Commended Tui Technology - Construction Award
Winner Bream Head Conservation
Winner Year 7 Technology
Winner Best Y7 Exhibit

Esther Wieggersma - Highly Commended Year 7 Investigation Award

Darius Fedarb - Winner Fonterra Dairy Industries Award

Brenna Misilei - Highly Commended Bream Head Conservation Trust; Winner Year 7 Research Award

Jacob Pivac - Highly Commended Year 8 Research Award

Year 3 & 4 Camp

Camp will be held at Marsden Bay Christian Camp on 21st, 22nd & 23rd November. Information & permission forms were sent home with children last week. Please return these to your child's teacher as soon as possible. The cost of camp is \$120, this includes accommodation, food & all activities. Full payment needs to be made by November 12th, contact Kevin if you would like to make alternative payments arrangements. There will be a camp meeting for parents early in Term 4, date to be advised. Any queries in the leadup to camp to your child's teacher please.

Scholastic Book Club

Book club brochures were sent to classes earlier this week. All orders and payments for Issue 6 are due back at the office no later than Friday 7th September.

Attending Matarau School in 2019?

Thank you to those parents who have contacted us with information on their plans for next year. This is hugely helpful in planning classes, making resourcing decisions, making decisions on the number of out of zone places we can advertise etc. If parents have not contacted us, we will assume that your child(ren) with us again next year. Any changes of plan, please let us know as early as you can.

Finally

Please jump on board with the **thankfulness** virtue. Research shows that **forgiveness** can have a profound positive impact on mental health, some people think that **thankfulness** has the same effect. So let's all give it a go.

And really and truly finally

Q: Why did the scarecrow win an award??

A: Because he was out-standing in his field!

Kind Regards Nga mihi nui

Kevin Trehwella
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children, please support them



School Lunches

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

An evening with Melanie Vezey, "Learning relationship communication" based on Dr Gary Chapman's book "The 5 love languages" Maunu School Hall **Thurs 6 Sept.** Coffee & cake 7pm with the talk starting 7.30pm. Tickets \$20 each or 2 for \$30 available from the Maunu School Office or contact maunuschoolpta@gmail.com

Car washing service. Can pick up and drop back clean and shiny car in Matarau area. Full exterior wash. Please contact Craig for further details. 027 433 5727

Northland Badminton presents The State of Origin tournament It's Back, Bigger and Better, Saturday October 6th & Sunday October 7th. Northland Badminton Centre, 41 Porowini Ave, Whangarei Saturday from 10am – badminton; from 7pm – dinner; 8.30pm Auckland band – Tweed Sunday @ 10am – dinosaur hunt; 1-3pm – novelty badminton - Just \$60 for the whole weekend!!

Junior Touch Module - 4.30-7.30pm Monday nights, starting 15th October, Tikipunga Sports Park. Grades - U8 - U18, boys/girls/ mixed teams. Cost is \$150 per team entered. Contact Frank Kake for more info - 021 211 4664; or touchofpride16@gmail.com; or www.sporty.co.nz/touchofpridejuniortouch.

Community Notices cont...

FREE Spring Holiday Surf Programme - Tutukaka & Taupo Bay – Free to 11-17 year olds. Week 1 – 5-10 October, Week 2 – 8-12 October; Suitable for beginner & intermediate surfers. Limited spaces – email to book or for enquiries – surf@oneillsurfacademy.co.nz

Action Zone SPRING Camp - October holidays. Marsden Bay Christian Camp, One Tree Point, 9-13 year olds (up to Yr8s). More info & registration at www.actionzonecamps.com

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.

Here's why you should support this fundraiser –

You will already know that supermarkets are starting to phase out plastic bags for fruit, veges & general shopping - some Countdown supermarkets have already stopped supplying plastic bags ... in fact - *Tikipunga Countdown will not supply single use bags from Monday 3rd September.*

This fundraiser is a timely solution to what to do with those apples & carrots that will be rolling loose in your trolley!

The "My Vita Bags" are fair trade, ethically made & designed to last many years. These reusable produce bags come in sets of 4 bags - 2 mesh & 2 muslin - a large & a small of each. They are fine in your fridge & are machine washable. A sample is hanging on the wall of the office. Only \$12 per set.

The Online Order Link - <http://bit.ly/MatarauFundraiser> is still open. Or order via phone, email or the school office.

