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## Newsletter

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### Thanks

... again .. to our Y7 camp parents ...great teamwork. Much appreciated!  
... to those who helped out with swimming trials on Monday & Tuesday.  
... to Lee McGrath, Northern Eggs for donating eggs to camps & gala.  
... to families who have made payment of school contributions & fees.  
... to the amazing and talented group of parents assisting with the senior options programme this term. You are awesome! Thank you.

### People of the Week

... Mrs Donaldson and her critical parent helpers for all of the huge effort that goes into organising 2 (almost) back to back camps.  
... Mrs Lunn & Room 11 students for enduring (almost) without complaining while we await the room 11 refurbishment.  
.. Our duathletes for their spirited performance this week.  
... Players of the day - Basketball teams - Shooting Stars, Lachlan H Rockets - Piper D

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

25 / 26 Feb	Parent Interviews
28 Feb	School Swimming Sports (years 4 to 8)
4 / 5 March	Year 8 overnight camp to Poor Knight Islands
12 Mar	Zone Swimming Sports at Kokopu School
14 March	Year 1 to 3 Swimming Sports
20 March	Interschool Swimming Sports
12 April	Final day of term 1
29 April	First day of term 2

### Country Fair - TOMORROW - 9am to 1pm

Please come along & support!

Plenty of fun things to do.

Loads of Bargains, Cake Stall, Plants,  
Clothing, Books, Shoes & Auctions (at 12noon)

Bring along grandparents & extended family,

We will proceed regardless of the weather  
(plenty of undercover activities).



Eftpos machines available to purchase tickets  
or bring plenty of cash. (No cash out available through eftpos)

*All money raised will be reinvested in your children!*

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## Previous Week's Newsletter ... accessible through our website

Parents at Board Meetings    ICAS enrolments coming soon    Most recent headlice inspection  
Swimming Lessons    Pool Keys    Parent Helpers    School Direction for 2019  
Netball Registrations

## Triadic Conferences (parent / teacher / student interviews)

The above are scheduled for Monday & Tuesday - 25 & 26 February - the **online bookings screen is still open**. Parents are encouraged to attend these interviews with their child or to make an alternative appointment if these days do not suit. Conferences are an opportunity to talk about your child specifically, to see how they have settled, to note any concerns, and to set some targets. This is a chance for you and your child (optional for year 1 children) to be heard and to hear some first impressions of how their year is unfolding. **To book your interview time - please book online via the following website**

**[www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)** and enter the event code of **m2twe**

*Please note that due to the Room 11 refurbishments starting next week the Interviews for Room 10 will be held in the Library, Room 11 in the meeting room in the office area & Room 1 in the old school room.*

## Interviews ... parents can help by ..

- .. noting down any questions beforehand and bringing these with you
- .. arriving on time and departing on the bell (teachers want to seem rude but, for everyone's sake we ALL need to keep to time).
- .. making a follow-up appointment to discuss issues which may take more time

## Interviews at other times

Please note that teachers remain highly available for interviews if 25 and 26 February do not suit you, or in the event that concerns come up down the track. Any issues of concern, or requiring clarity, should always be addressed to your child's classroom teacher in the first instance.

**Early Buses** - buses will run 30-40 minutes early on 25 & 26 February because of parent interviews.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE KAMO BUS WILL DEPART SCHOOL AT THE USUAL TIME.** Parents who transport their children by car are asked to pick them up at 2.30pm please on these days.

## Kamo Bus

Ritchies buses have advised that the fare for children travelling on the bus to & from Kamo has increased to \$3 per trip. You can buy a concession card from the bus driver for \$25 which is 10 trips.

## Upper Carpark

Please remember when using the upper carpark to NEVER park on a yellow marked area unless dropping a child at school. These areas MUST be kept clear at all times to ensure traffic flow, emergency access to the school site, and safe transit of pedestrians making their ways to & from cars. When a car is parked in this area it has potential to block traffic

## Stretching the finances - School Fees - Activities Fees, Camp Fees, etc.

PLEASE drop by and see Kevin or Helen if things are tough at the moment, we will come up with a plan that works for you.

## School Swimming Sports (years 4 to 8) - Thursday 28 February

The schedule (approximately) for the above event is as follows ...

9:30 - 10:30	Freestyle Races - 1 Length
10:30 - 10:45	INTERVAL
10:50 - 11:20	Freestyle Races - 2 Lengths
11:20 - 12:00	Backstroke - 1 Length
12:00 - 12:30	Backstroke - 2 Lengths
12:30 - 1:00	LUNCH
1:05 - 1:40	Breaststroke - 1 Length
1:40 - 2:00	Breaststroke - 2 Length
2:00	House Relays

2:15

Novelty Relays

2:30

Prize Giving, Acknowledgments and Thanks

All parents, grandparents & whanau are most welcome to join us.

Thank you to **Protectus** who are sponsors of this year's School Swimming Sports.

### **Needing Guidance With Devices**

If you need guidance with your child's device including operation, set-up, security etc, Mr Delemare will be available in the Computer Suite (by room 13) on the second interview night (Tuesday) from 3:00pm to 6:00 pm to speak with parents. No questions too silly. No appointment necessary, just drop by.

We will provide further support around devices, and especially how to make these safe for your child, a little down the track.

### **Sun Safety**

Northland's sun can be pretty damaging, sometimes with awful long term consequences.

We do our best to ensure children without wide brimmed bucket hats do not play out of the shade and children are given continual (daily) reminders to use sunblock if provided by parents.

Parents are asked to help please by ...

... considering sun safe clothing as an addition (or maybe alternative) for shoulders, arms & legs

... you may like to apply sunscreen each morning to your child, we understand on good authority that there is an 8 Hour sunblock which is highly effective, 50 plus protection (but not water resistant).

### **International Schools English and Maths Competitions**

Consent forms for the above competitions will be sent next week - 25 Feb. Please ensure your child knows if you wish them to be involved, and let the office know if you think they might be inclined to "forget" this. If not sure, feel free to scope their suitability with their teacher at interview time.

### **Senior Study Hour (Years 7 & 8)**

Senior Study Hour will operate from 3-4.00pm on Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays. Children may attend anywhere from 1 to 3 of these weekly sessions. If you would like to register your child please do so by contacting Mrs Donaldson on [kdonaldson@matarau.school.nz](mailto:kdonaldson@matarau.school.nz).

### **Senior Options programme**

Thanks to those who have already offered to help with the Senior Options Programme. If you think you might be able to help, & have a skill or interest to share, please contact Mrs Donaldson next week. We are especially keen to connect with someone with any skills in digital technology or robotics.

### **Lunches**

Our students bring some amazing (and very healthy) lunches to school. As you know we do supervise them to make sure they eat a good portion of what you have sent along. Having said this, we do not require children to finish every item in their lunchbox. If you have checked their lunchbox and would like them to eat a little more, just let us know and we will do our best. We try to ensure that packaged treats are left until last but this can be a bit of a mission sometimes.

### **Finally**

Why did the boy throw the butter out the window? ... He wanted to see a butter...fly! (Jack Rm 12)

See you at the interviews and swimming sports.

Regards

Kevin Trehwella

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**Wednesdays** - \$1.50 : for Sausage (meat or vegetarian option) in bread with sauce.

Order on Wednesday mornings through the classroom teacher.

**Fridays** - \$4.00 - Hot Mince or Mince & Cheese Pies, Sausage Roll (with Museli Bar) or a Butter Chicken Wrap and a Fruit Drink. You can swap the Fruit drink for a Flavoured Milk for \$5.00. \$4.50 : - Ham or Chicken Salad Wrap or \$2.50 - Cup of Chilled Watermelon or Pineapple. Order by Wednesday at the office, to receive Friday. Term orders welcome.

## Community Notices

**Cleaning Services** – References available. Contact Cristina on 021 464 300

**Tikipunga Football Season 2019** - Registrations for Midget teams (ages 4 – 8) and Junior teams (ages 9 upwards) are February 21 @ 5pm or February 28 @ 5pm Tikipunga Clubrooms at the Sports park off Reed Street. Any queries please contact Jan Garton on 021 029 57051

**Kamo Magpies Rugby Season** – U7s to U18s, register online at [kamojuniors@gmail.com](mailto:kamojuniors@gmail.com) or contact tasha owens on 021 552 184.

**Mangakahia Junior Soccer club** - invite players aged 5 - 12 for the coming season. Registration day Monday 25 Feb from 3.15 to 5pm on field at Maungatapere School. Enquires Susan 022 152 4175

**Ruatangata Market** – 9 – 12noon Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Ruatangata Hall, Pipiwai Road. Lots of variety. Stalls available \$10 per table. Contact Pam Morgan for more info – 433 5865

**School Tennis Doubles Tournament** – 6 March, years 5 & 6, or years 7 & 8. Thomas Neale Tennis Centre Springs Flat.. Entries close 1 March. Contact Pete Stenberg to register or more info - 021 270 0229 or email - [tennisnorthland@xtra.co.nz](mailto:tennisnorthland@xtra.co.nz)

**Indoor Bowls** – Ruatangata Hall. Starts 7.30pm Wednesday 13 March. Only requirement is flat sole shoes. Contact Alan on 4350141 or Ben on 4351570 for more info.



# Country Fair

9am – 1pm TOMORROW!!

Only 1 Sleep to go!!

**Cake Stall** – not too late to bring cakes, slices, biscuits, muffins etc in your cake box along first thing on Saturday morning.

**Auction Items** – lots of awesome things being auctioned from 12 noon. Come & check them out and be in to bid on a bargain !!

**White Elephant** - The tables are overflowing with clothing, books, white elephant & bric-a-brac! Come along & grab a bargain!

**Lots of Fun Activities** – *including* a Water Slide, Dunk a Crump Tank, Pony Rides, Bubble Tent, Magnetic Fishing, Lucky Dips, Dart Throw, Polaris Rides, Beauty Tent, Nerf Gun Bullseye, Sandpit Dig, Raffles...

**Loads of Gala Food** – Donuts, Candy Floss, Popcorn, Good Coffee, Sausage Sizzle, Bacon & Egg Sandwiches, Lamb Roast Rolls, Café & Cakes!

**Bring Cash & Eftpos card for  
Bargains & a Good Time at the Matarau Country Fair!**

(No cash out available through eftpos)