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Thanks

... To those who have cast their votes in the triennial Board election and, again, to those who have bravely put their names forward.

... To those awesome parents who offered to help out with this week's Year 4 to 6 Winter Tournament.

Special Commendation

... to the following parents who visited our school library this week & signed our visitors book. You are now in the draw for a prize, and so is your child!

... Brittany Richardson, Abi Alger, Melita Mann, Jolie Sharpe, Debbie Whitehouse, Sharie Whittacker-Cook, Lee-Frost AhMu, Hayley Clayton, Dannielle Clayton, Karen Walker & Maria Easterbrook

People of the Week

... Ben D who spoke to teachers at staff meeting this week on how our virtues co-ordinators are unfolding this programme across the school.

... Samara L for showing compassion by pushing a junior on the swing

... Players of the day - Hockey - Cobalt Kiwisticks - Rian T;
Basketball - Shooting Stars - Lockie H & James T; Rockets - Piper D & Taylor R

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

18 June Matariki Day celebration (nb date change)

27 June Year 7 Boostrix Vaccinations

1/2 July Mid year interviews

5 July Final day of term 2 (22 July - first day of term 3)

Matariki - Tuesday 18th June

On the 18th June children and teachers will be celebrating Matariki (the Maori New Year).

They will be involved in a variety of cultural activities during the day culminating in a performance by our kapa haka group at 2:40.

You are invited to come along to see the final performance in the hall.



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From recent weeks ... please visit our website and click on newsletters

Morning Arrival Times Measles AIMS Games Soon to be 5 Year olds
Digital Devices Lunch order forms Drink Bottles School Attendance
School contributions Plastics Cambridge Survey

Triennial Election of Trustees

Election results will be announced by the end of next week with the new board officially taking office on 14 June. So ... more to follow.

Message on behalf of the major sporting organisations and Sport NZ

Parents,.. thank you for supporting nationwide efforts to promote good sportsmanship on and off the field / court. For more information go to www.goodsports.org.nz. Keep up the good work!

Compassion Virtue

... don't hesitate to contact us with shining examples of the Compassion virtue so that we can celebrate together. Please keep the discussions rolling at home.

Mid-year interviews - 1 & 2 July

Please keep some time free on the afternoons/ evenings of 1 and 2 July for mid-year interviews. These will be booked online as in earlier years. The access code for bookings will be sent home next week (as well as loaded onto our facebook page), and so please keep your eye out for this.

Notice of early finish to school days

Please note that school finishes at 2:30pm on 1 & 2 July to allow teachers time to prepare for interviews. Please note that buses will run approximately 30 minutes earlier on these days - the exception to this is the Kamo bus will still depart school at 4pm. Parents who pick their children up from school are asked to do so at this earlier time please. We apologise for any inconvenience caused by these changes. (Please note that bus drop off times can vary from the usual on these days due to unpredictable bus loadings).

Seesaw digital portfolios

... will be available for viewing from 21 June. Those needing assistance to access their child's portfolio are invited to contact Mrs Donaldson.

International Schools Competitions

Practice papers for the English exam were issued this week. Children will be asked to complete 2 practice papers per week where possible. We will also meet next week to discuss elements of test technique. Parents please help by ...

- ... ensuring children have a suitable time and place for sitting these papers (free from distraction)
- ... marking papers on completion
- ... keeping a record of scores
- ... advising your child's teacher if a homework workload adjustment is necessary
- ... ensuring that children bring their booklets to school to exchange for further papers

Remember that these papers are difficult. To get around 20 correct with the first paper is fine, exceeding 30 correct answers is a worthy target, but progress should be celebrated.

We suggest that you don't worry about timing of the first couple of papers.

Exams are scheduled as follows ... English - 31 July ... Mathematics - 14 August. (amended dates)

Practice papers for the maths exam will be made available week beginning 18 June.

Matarau School HONEY FOR SALE!

The price is \$12 each for an approximately 600g jar.

Lots of jar's left at this stage - but don't miss out!!



Absences from School

Please contact the school office before 8:45am if your child will be absent from school (leave a message on the school answer phone, email admin@matarau.school.nz), or you can complete the form on our school website to advise of the absence.

Please state the reason for non-attendance as this data is required by the Ministry of Education.

Senior School Fundraising Sausage Sizzle

Unfortunately, due to rising costs, the price of a sausage on Wednesday's will now be \$2 each. This will be from next Wednesday - 12th June. All profits from the sale of sausages go directly to the senior school to help offset the cost of their outdoor activities.

Finally

Some of you will not know that a special group of around a dozen children meet weekly to discuss how they might support students and staff to keep our virtues programme rolling. This is an amazing bunch of kids who are committed to what they are doing, who get genuine pleasure from acknowledging the gains others make, and who diligently lead others towards self-improvement and the acknowledgment of others. We will send you a group photo next week showing these kids at work.

Regards,
Kevin Trehwella
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School Lunches

Wednesdays - \$2.00 (note price increase) : for Sausage (meat or vegetarian option) in bread with sauce. Order on Wednesday mornings through the classroom teacher.

Fridays - EXCITING NEW MENU.

Snack Boxes – delivered with a juice box for \$6.00 each

A choice of Mini Hotdog & Chips Fish Bites & Chips Chicken Nuggets & Chips

Tasty Toppa's delivered with a juice box for \$5.00 each

A choice of Lasagne Toppa Macaroni Cheese Toppa

Or **Simply a Hot Chip Box** for \$3.00 each

These Old Favourites are still on the Menu ...

Sausage Roll, Museli Bar & a juice box for \$4.00 Crispy Chicken Salad Wrap & juice box for \$5.00

Swap any juice box meal for a Flavoured Milk for just \$1 extra (Chocolate, Strawberry or Banana)

Please Note - We cannot supply lunches on a Friday if the order is placed after 9am on the Thursday morning.

Community Notices

Firewood for Sale – gum, dry/split \$110m3 delivered locally free, elsewhere by arrangement.
Ph Kevin 021 191 5911.

Rizing Stars Drama - Bugsy Malone 28th June to 6 July, Riverbank Theatre. Has a cast of over 30 kids and should be very entertaining. Bookings – at Storytime or Reyburn House or online at whangareitheatrecompany.co.nz

AUTUMN WRITING IN ROOM 6

As Autumn started days got faster.
Slowly, the weather dug deeper and deeper into coldness.
Crunch, crumble, crack! Into leaves, children jumped.
Glistening shines from the sun, danced through trees.

By Pippa G

Crackling, crunching, we jump on leaves.
Brown leaves, red leaves, yellow, orange leaves. Flowers blown.
Paddocks full of bright colours.
Orchards hang heavy with fruit. Plenty of harvest here.
Rain drops fall from fluffy clouds. The golden sun glistens through the trees.
The trees rain leaves, brown leaves and others.
Slowly, the weather dug deeper and deeper into the coldness.
Glistening shines from the sun, danced through trees, like tiny,
shiny tap dancing men. The sun shines bright like stars.

By Emma D

The autumn trees were raining fiery orange, red, gold, & yellow leaves.
That's when autumn started.
Crack! Leaves are crunching into little pieces.
Fruit hangs heavily on the orchard trees.
Fog drifted across the morning sky. Trees waved side to side.
While the bright golden sun glistened through trees raindrops fell
from fluffy clouds.

By Summerlee G

Senior School Fundraising for our Student Volunteer Army Project

Dear Parents,

Matarau Year 7's are planning a project to paint some of the senior playground. If you *have any spare paint and / or paint brushes* that you could donate to the cause, could you please drop it off to the school office.

Thanks in advance, for helping make this project happen.

Year 7 Community Liaison