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## Newsletter

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### Thanks

... For your support in the run up to Calf Club Day ... and in advance to sponsors and judges.

### People of the Week

... Mrs Walker and new baby Keeva ... both well and enjoying life.  
.. Jake Turner who has accelerated through 6 reading levels in recent months ... well done Jake!  
... Last term's virtue award recipients  
... Mrs Wynyard who came out to school in the holidays to work on the school gardens.

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

21 October	October meeting of the Board of Trustees
24 October	Calf Club Day
25 October	Confirmation of interest in the Art Scholarship
28 October	Labour Day Holiday
29 October	Y8 Camp meeting, 5.30pm
7 November	Hatea Loop Walk ... more to follow!
13 November	Zone Athletics at Poroti School
18 November	Portfolios due for the Art Scholarships (3:00 pm)
27 November	Junior School production
27 November	Interschool Athletics Day - Year 7 and 8
2 December	School Team Athletics Day
3 December	Parent Helpers thank you morning tea.
4 December	Interschool Athletics Day - Year 4-6
5 December	School Prize Giving (underway 6:30 pm)
9-12 December	Year 8 Camp at Pataua North
11 December	Reports issued
12 December	Final day of the school year (school finishes 3:00 pm)

### Sunhats

A reminder that sunhats are compulsory in the final term of the year and so please check that your child has their regulation navy blue Matarau School sunhat as they head to school each day. You can buy a new one for \$10 or there is a limited supply of second hand ones for \$3 each, from the office. Northland has the highest rates of sun cancer in the world and so let's all step up here please. Enforced from Monday.

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### **Out of Zone Applications**

The outcome of OOZ applications has been advised by this week. If you have been offered a place, **please be sure to send your acceptance slip back to the school office before the due date.** The school often continues to receive enquiries on available places for several weeks after ballot date and so, if you do not formally accept an offer of place, **there is a high likelihood that this will be offered to someone else.** Any questions please just drop by or phone Helen.

### **Production - Save the Date**

Our year 0-4 students will present their mini production of Red Riding Hood in a Christmas Fairyland for parents and whanau on Wednesday 27th November at 1:45 pm.

### **Measles Update**

Parents are reminded to monitor their children closely, and to keep them at home if they suspect measles. It is possible that the school may be asked by health authorities to ensure that unimmunised children do not attend Matarau School for a specified period should we have an outbreak in our school.

### **Pathways for year 6 students entering our year 7 & 8 programme next year**

While all Year 7 & 8 programmes contain elements of Cambridge, we are keen to place students in pathways which best align with their current and future potential. In short, because the Cambridge Programme can be quite challenging, we want to get initial placements right (although changes down the track are sometimes made).

Mrs Donaldson will co-ordinate the placement process and, as part of this process, will also meet with previous teachers, and peruse the achievement (and other) data we have in our system. Parents are also invited to contribute to pathway decisions. Careful placement will help ensure that our year 8 students are very well prepared for year 9.

We will have three year 7 and 8 classes next year, and have not advertised places for out of zone students at this level to keep class numbers as low as possible.

### **Input to year 7 placement decisions**

Pathway decisions will be made some time in the week beginning 18 November. Parents of year 6 students who would like to have input into these decisions are invited to make an appointment with Mrs Donaldson. We anticipate these discussions will take around 20 minutes per child. So, if you would like the opportunity to have input into placement decisions please email Mrs Donaldson on ... [kdonaldson@matarau.school.nz](mailto:kdonaldson@matarau.school.nz) preferably by 11 November please.

### **Term Headlice Checks**

Are scheduled for week 3 - day to be confirmed. Please give Helen a call or email ([admin@matarau.school.nz](mailto:admin@matarau.school.nz)) if you are available to help.

### **School Cups**

2019 prize giving is coming fast. If you have school cups at home please get these back to school at your earliest convenience. Thank you!



### **Non-attendance**

If your child is sick (or absent from school for other reasons) please take a moment to leave a message on our school answer phone (by 9:30 am at the latest) or email us on [admin@matarau.school.nz](mailto:admin@matarau.school.nz) Failure to advise us of an absence means that we have to spend time tracking children, time which could be better serving you in other ways.

### **Tennis Competition - 6 November**

Parents of children participating in the forthcoming interschool tennis competition are asked to return consents on Monday please so that we can confirm their entries. A reminder that parents

are required to transport and supervise their own children please or to prearrange delegation of these responsibilities to another attending parent. Any questions to Mrs Donaldson.

### Home Gardens

Welcome back to the new term. By now your seedlings should be well underway. Don't panic if you have had a few mishaps. As the weather warms up, the seeds will germinate much faster and you still have time to replant if need be.



#### A few tips for planting out...

Remember to 'harden' your seedlings off before planting out into the garden. This involves taking your seedlings outside to a shelter spot during the day, then bringing them back inside at night. Gradually build up so that they are then out at night. This process should take approximately a week.

When transplanting out (or planting into bigger containers), water with a something like a seaweed tonic afterwards. Some gardeners like to soak the pots in a bucket of this tonic before planting out, and some with water afterwards. Both methods work well. This helps with transplant shock. Remember to put your stakes in early for plants like tomatoes and beans. This avoids the roots being damaged later on.

If you are running short on space - look at ways to grow things vertically. Cucumbers and pumpkins can grow upwards on frames. Lots of plants can also be grown in buckets and grow bags. Please upload photo's or share & receive gardening tips on our facebook page if you can... [www.facebook.com/mataraschoolhomegardens](http://www.facebook.com/mataraschoolhomegardens)

### Home Garden Diaries

Garden Diaries are due to the school office by Friday 22 November at the latest.

### Consultation on the Health Curriculum

On Thursday 31 October (3:15 pm in the school library) a meeting will be held to discuss our forthcoming sexuality (pubertal change) unit (year 7 & 8 only).

We will also discuss the wider health curriculum ... including looking at national guidelines and local delivery. Interested parents are welcome to attend this meeting, but please advise in advance, and indicate any areas of special interest so we can have the right people present to answer your questions and hear your thoughts.

<p>HEALTH &amp; P.E. Physical Education – games, sport, exercise, recreation. Virtues programme/ Behaviour Management</p> <p><i>Integrate concepts from one or more of the following</i></p> <p>Self Esteem / Personal Identity / Relating to others Interpersonal Skills (resolving conflict)</p> <p>Sexuality Education</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">—————→</p> <p><i>Integrate concepts from one or more of the following</i></p> <p>Hygiene / caring for the body Nutrition / staying healthy Safe practices / Keeping safe (incl Roadsense)/ Helping Agencies</p> <p>Sexuality Education</p>
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### Pubertal Change Booklets 2019 - Year 6s

In the past we have issued child-oriented pubertal change booklets to year 6 children to take home and discuss with their parents. If you are the parent of a year 6 child, can you please advise the school office over the next two weeks if you would like to drop by to view a booklet, or you may like to pick your child's booklet up yourself. If we do not hear from you, all year 6 children will bring a booklet home on Friday 29 November.

## 2019 Self-Review

You might be surprised how early planning starts for the year to come. Much of term 4 is given over to self-review. This involves reflecting on what went well, not so well, how we will deploy resources to best effect in 2020 etc. If you would like to know more about this process, or even to have some input, a meeting has been scheduled for Thursday 14 November (Kevin's office) where we will discuss the self-review process and throw around, and receive, ideas. If you would like to attend please email Kevin and we will book you in. Alternatively, Kevin is highly available by appointment.

## Finally

A busy term ahead but great to be back and to know you have all returned safely from your holidays. We hope to see you lots around the school this term. Always drop by or call if you have questions.

Regards, Nga Mihi  
Kevin Trehwella  
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## School Lunches

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

**Fridays - Order by 9am Thursday.**

**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 **Hot Chip Box** for \$3.00 each (\$1 extra for a juice)

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

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

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

## Community Notices

This week's Basketball Players of the Day  
- Nikau K, Corey H, Corbett R, Dane G.

Annual Lions Public Fireworks Display to be held at Semenoff Stadium on 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Ruakaka Surf Lifesaving Club - Open Day at the clubhouse Sunday 27th October 10.30-12pm  
- a chance for new families as well as returning families to come and take a look at the club and see what we have to offer with training starting Sunday the 24th of November at 10:30am.

Speech & Drama Academy - are taking enrolments for term four and 2020 classes. Come find your people and performance prowess! Public Speaking, poetry, pantomime & applause! Visit our website for class info <https://enrolmy.com/making-a-scene>

## Calf Club

Please accept this cordial invitation to join us  
for Calf Club day – Thursday 24 October.

A few quick essentials ...

... animals here by 9:00am please

... events on the lower field are underway by 10:00 am

... the hall is open for the viewing of indoor exhibits from 10:00 am

... please bring two plates of food for a shared lunch from each family - placed on to the tables outside the staffroom

... cakes for the cake auction to the staffroom please (we will later move these to the hall)

... prize giving will be AROUND 12 noon

... lunch will be AROUND 12:30 on the courts by the Hall

... please do not bring your children to the adult tables ... we will take food over to them

... Cake Auction last bids by 1.30pm - payment must be made before taking the cakes away

... please do NOT remove exhibits or place cards prior to 2:00pm or take your children home before 2:00pm

... a Coffee Van will be on the bottom field during the day - selling delicious coffee, tea, chai, hot chocolate & real fruit ice creams, a % of the sales will go to fundraising

... the senior school fundraising team will be selling sausages, ice blocks, ice creams on a stick, garlic bread, all \$2 each + juice boxes (\$1) & raffle tickets for the 'Household' hampers. Send spending money with discretion

... we proceed regardless of weather

Please note - Year 1-4 students - Bug hotels - please send along your bug hotels, bug-free on calf club day.

### CALF CLUB - INDOOR EXHIBITS

Items for construction of exhibits are required at school on Monday 21 October please, flowers on Wednesday 23 October. Children are required to complete a minimum of 5 of 7 possible exhibits. Any questions please ask your child's teacher.

### Calf Club - CAKE AUCTION

Dads and granddads (maybe uncles too) may be approached soon to help their child, grandchild, nephew or niece to bake a cake for our Calf Club Day Cake Auction. The objectives here are to tackle a project together, have some fun on the day, and raise some money for special items for the kids. Senior (year 7 & 8) funds will contribute to fundraising for their forthcoming camps.



So please lock down your baking time. Cakes are due (delivered to the staffroom) on the afternoon of Wednesday 23 October or before 9:00am on Calf Club Day

### Calf Club - Scholastic Book Fair

Will be on display all next week - from 21st - 25th October, including on Calf Club Day. Books will be available for purchase & order. EFTPOS will be available.

*Sponsors of this year's calf club are ....  
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## Calf Club – Indoor Exhibits Details

Indoor exhibits will again be on display in the hall and can be viewed at any time on Calf Club Day from 10am. As children will be making most exhibits at school over the period 21 to 23 October parents are asked to send the items below to school on Monday 21 October (flowers on Wednesday 23rd). Items not specifically requested below will be provided by the school. **All children must complete a minimum of 5 of the 7 exhibits. Each exhibit has a maximum size no larger than a standard shoe box.** All exhibits must be at school by Wednesday.

2019	Year 1 - 4	Year 5 - 6	Year 7 & 8
<b>Floral arrangement</b>	<b>Done at school</b> A Posy in a cup.....Please bring a cup or mug and small flowers, greenery to create mini posie. (completed on Wednesday so container will need to hold water)	<b>Done at school</b> Floral arrangement in an interesting/unusual container Please bring container and flowers on Wednesday - container will need to hold water These need to be arranged at school by the children, not at home. (Completed on Wednesday)	<b>Done at school</b> Floral Arrangements in an interesting/unusual container. Please bring container & flowers on Wednesday - these will be arranged at school by the students. Container must be able to hold water. Completed on Wednesday.
<b>Art</b>	<b>Done at school</b> Ephemeral art	<b>Done at school</b> Nail and String Art	<b>Done at school</b> Gumboot Art - Kiwiana style. Students will paint a gumboot with Kiwiana in mind.
<b>Fruit and/or Vegetable Creation</b>	<b>Done at school</b> Bring a variety of vegetables (not cut up) No more than 5 fruit or vegetables	<b>Done at school</b> Bring a variety of vegetables (not cut up) No more than a TOTAL of 5 fruit or vegetables. (Completed on Wednesday)	<b>Done at school</b> Bring a variety of whole vegetables (not cut up ) No more than 5 fruit or vegetables in total.
<b>Construction from materials or on a digital device</b>	<b>DONE AT HOME</b> Create a miniature fairytale dwelling out of a variety of materials No bigger than A4	<b>DONE AT SCHOOL</b> Shadow Photography. (A5 size)	<b>Done at school</b> Shadow Photography
<b>Miniature model</b>	<b>Done at school</b> Peg fairytale characters Bring fabric/wool/felt .	<b>Done at school</b> Egg Carton Face creation	<b>Done at school</b> Paper Mache Create a Mask based around the 4 classical elements using paper mache.
<b>Decorating Biscuit, cup cake</b>	<b>Done at school</b> Decorate a cookie Round cookies and icing provided. Please provide edible decorative items.	<b>Done at school</b> Decorate a cookie. Decorations and cookies provided at school (Completed on Tuesday morning at school)	<b>DONE AT HOME</b> Fudge Creations - Either plain Chocolate or Russian - no nuts etc) displayed in an interesting and creative way. Complete by Wednesday morning
<b>Upcycled</b>	<b>DONE AT HOME</b> Create a bug hotel out of recycled or upcycled materials Shoebox size	<b>DONE AT HOME</b> Create an animal out of a plastic bottle (2 bottles maximum)	<b>DONE AT HOME</b> Create a birdhouse out of upcycled material

