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# Thank you

... The Sound Cave (233 Port Road) who kindly repaired our intercom system at no cost to the school. Thank you for your generosity!

MATARAU SCHOOL

.. Bill Ringrose for flying his helicopter into school this week as a fitting culmination to our junior study on flight. Bill, the kids loved it ... thank you so much.

... To those wonderful parents who offered to help our caretaker Ian to move our chicken coop over the holidays ... special thanks also to the Finlaysons for the kind offer of their tractor.

# People of the week

... The team of people who have worked so very hard behind the scenes on our library and book promotions over recent weeks. People gave evenings and weekends to work on associated tasks, and gave heart and soul to their work. Our goal is to really hook kids into reading (more to follow at the end of the newsletter).

# Virtues Focus for the remainder of this term ... and for ever!

We will continue our COURTESY focus into term 3. In a world where courtesy seems to be very much on the wand we are keen for our kids to lead out by example. So PLEASE work diligently over the break to ...

- ... find opportunities to discuss courtesy with your child(ren)
- ... show how you apply courtesy in your life
- ... discuss how your child has progressed with their courtesy goals.

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

- ... Term 3 commences Monday 20 July
- ... Next BoT meeting Monday 27 July 6:00 pm by zoom (the board is happy
- to zoom invite a limited number of interested parents just let Kevin know)
- ... Parent interviews 3 to 4/5 August (more to follow)



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# Sponsors

Please support our sponsors where you can and maybe recommend them to others.

# School Cross Country

Will be held early next term (likely 12 August). If your child is serious about placing in the school competition you might want to start them training over the holidays. First practice will be soon after commencement of the new term - so come prepared with running shoes.



# <u>Lunches</u>

In answer to enquires, please note that we have not yet finalised availability of bought lunches (including sausages) for next term. Some great people are working on sustainable options and we will get back to you on this early in term 3.

# <u>Netball</u>

Netball fees for the 2020 season are now \$22.00 per junior player (year1-6) and \$40.00 per intermediate player (year 7-8) - Unpaid fees needed to have been paid by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July where possible please. Fees can be paid online to the school bank account 12-3093-0239515-00, please add a reference of "Netball" and "child's name" or pay cash to the school office. If full fees have not yet been paid please contact Paula or Kevin at the start of term 3.

# Open evenings High Schools & visit at Matarau School.

	WGHS	WBHS	Kamo High School	Huanui College
Promotional Visit at Matarau Y7- 8	23 <sup>rd</sup> July at 11am	23 <sup>rd</sup> July at 1.30pm	Not confirmed yet	Not confirmed yet
Open evening	5 <sup>th</sup> August 5.30-7pm Manawahine Gym,WGHS	30 July From 4.30-7pm Hall WBHS	4 <sup>th</sup> August at 5-7pm	Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> August 1-3.30pm Please register shorturl.at/hsR37

### Promotion of Reading ... our special holiday request

As mentioned last week, we suspect that some children struggle to read books because they do not have the right book for them. This week children completed a questionnaire intended to give us an impression on which genre might really appeal to them. Their responses were analyzed, and children have been allocated a number of books for holiday reading. They do NOT have to read all of these books, they may just "nibble" at some, before settling on the book that really grabs them. At least one of these books is in their area of high preference, and the others are in related areas. Older children have a "Book Nibbler" sheet to record their thoughts and younger children have a "Genre/Bingo" sheet.

So this is where we need your help. Over the two week holiday period

... to replace (at least some) screen time with book time (home and school)

... to assist your child on a journey towards genre (i.e. a journey to find the right books for them)

... to have conversations often at home about the books you and your children are reading and why they energise, excite or interest you

We want to work with you to grow the reading culture you have at home, knowing you will already be doing amazing things. On return to school next term we will pick up where we left off.

# <u>Matarau School Library Link</u>

Please also encourage your children to visit the above link (Matarau School Library link) on our website (under the links tab) to view the books we have in stock. This is a great opportunity for children to get a feel for what's available and to reserve any books which capture their interest. Happy searching!!

# **Finally**

Thank you for your support this term. Enjoy time together these holidays and travel safely if going away. Do lots of reading to, and reading with, your kids, update each other at dinner time on how your books are unfolding, and praise your kids for every act of courtesy and consideration no matter how small. Looking forward to working together again next term.

Nga mihi Kevin Trewhella PRINCIPAL

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# Community notices

<u>Free Ducks to a good home</u> 3 drakes Muscovy Ducks & 1 female duck with 6 (5 weeks old) ducklings. Please email Paula at <u>admin@matarau.school.nz</u>

Free 2 female Guinea Pigs, both 1 year old. Please contact Clive on 021951058

Northland Youth Theatre - We still have a few space left in each of our Holiday programs! Week One - 6th - 11th July - Theatre skills and Devising Workshop! \$300 for the week. Ages 12-18 Students learn about theatre-making and creating their own stories through acting & devising. Email to register -Scholarships and assistance available. Week Two - 14th - 17th July - Script to Screen Fully funded - Ages 15-23 A four day film workshop that helps develop skills in crafting a story idea, writing a script, and acting! Register here: https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/northland-film-workshop-registration-109066402546 Tennis Northland is running a programme in the July School Holidays for a couple of days (Wednesday and Thursday) each week when the courts are not being used. Programme details Name of programme: Tennis Northland July 2020 Holiday Program

Where: Thomas Neale Tennis Centre, Winger Crescent, Kamo, Whangarei When: Wednesday 8 and 15 July and Thursday 9 and 16 July 2020 Times: 9am -2pm Age group catered for: Any <u>school</u> age Any costs: \$20 per child per day (Tennis Northland Bank details ASB 12 3099 0410707 00) Bring your own lunch, snacks and drink bottle

Contact details: Raewyn Heywood, 0274386197 raehey@xtra.co.nz

#### DDF Dance Studio

10 Week Workshop + Dance Concert Mon 20th July Free week of dance 13th-16th July Open Day All Welcome Sat 18th July All Ages Male and female 31 Vine St Whangarei Contact Alannah Curtis 027 222 5574 http://www.ddfdance.com fb.com/ddfdance



# RUGBY AND HOCKEY HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

#### WHEN

6TH, 7TH AND 8TH OF JULY YOU CAN CHOOSE WHAT DAYS TO ATTEND <u>WHO CAN ATTEND</u> BOYS AND GIRLS YEAR 3 TO YEAR 10 <u>WHAT IS THE COST</u> \$25 - 9AM TO 12PM PER DAY \$40 - 9AM TO 3PM PER DAY <u>WHAT TIMES</u> DROP OFF 8.30AM - PICK UP NO LATER THAN 3.30PM <u>WHERE</u> WHANGAREI BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

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