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Thank you

... To our Parent Support Group and those who generously supported their fund raising efforts in recent weeks. This funding is earmarked to improve shade and all-weather cover around the school.

People of the week

- ... Our International Schools Maths and English candidates for their efforts, on top of their usual workloads. Good work!
- ... Tyler Curnow for some amazing written work this week ... sports theme of course!

Virtues Focus for the remainder of this term

Please find attached support material for our new virtue ... THANKFULNESS. Apparently, thankfulness is hugely be beneficial to physical and mental well-being and so should be well worth the time. Please find time to ...

- ... talk with your children about what you are thankful for
- ... show how you apply thankfulness in your life
- ... work with your child to set some thankfulness goals

Term Calendar ... Much more to follow as dates come to hand!

14 Sept. ... School Photos

16 Sept. ... Hockey Festival ... more to follow

25 Sept. ... Final day of term 12 Oct. ... First day of term 4

Wellness for school

Remember please ... cough, runny nose, fever, headaches etc ... please keep your child at home and not return them to school for 48 hours after cessation of last symptom. Any doubts please consult your child's GP. Remember to have a care plan in place in case we request pick up from school. If you are asked to have your child tested for covid-19 please also ask your health care provider if isolation is recommended and advise the school accordingly.





Previous Newsletters

Tax Refund on donations Headlice Cambridge Programme Matarau Library Link
Change of clothes Intended Secondary Schools Attendance
Digital packs 2021 Enrolments Art Scholarships

Matarau School Parent Support Group Compost Fundraiser

We are selling trailer loads (approx cubic metre) of compost for the bargain price of \$20 for 1st trailer load and \$10 for all subsequent loads. Pick up is Jordan Valley Road, Sunday 13th September and/or Sunday 17th October. Turn up between 10am and 1pm, present your ticket at the gate to one of our lovely volunteers then the loader driver will load your trailer. Please email Lisa lryan@matarau.school.nz to order. Bank account will be provided for DC and tickets will be issued prior to pick up day, along with a location map. Queries to Karen Walker via the Facebook post or Lisa Ryan. Thank you for support our school and community.

KidsArt School Fundraiser



Your child's art can be made into affordable Calendars, Cards, Diaries, Mouse Mats and Sketch Pads. These unique Christmas gifts for family and friends and are perfect for posting overseas. Next week your child will receive a form with all the information you need to place your online order. You can order online till Monday the 28^{th} September. Your child's art will be displayed on

the website www.kidsartworks.com Use your unique school code which is printed on the form.

Drink bottles

... please ensure all children bring a drink bottle to school each day. We have processes for refilling these if required.

Calf Club Day

... will be held **Thursday 22 October** ... the Thursday before Labour Weekend. As advised, sorry, no calves this year. A form will come home next week seeking confirmation of which children



will bring animals on the day and so watch out for this. Any questions please to the school office.

Middle School Hockey Festival - 16 September

The middle school have an amazing day of hockey and fun booked for Wednesday 16 September. Consent forms were sent home today for return by next Thursday please. Children will need to bring their lunch and a drink bottle and will travel to and from the venue by bus. Any questions to Mrs Burgin please.

Cross Country Photos

We were truly sad that cross country proceeded without parents this year. We promised you some photos and these can now be accessed via your child's seesaw account. If you have forgotten your child's password please contact your child's teacher. ENJOY!!! WELL WORTH A LOOK!!!

Home Gardens

Please return Expression of Interest Forms to school as soon as possible so that we can get diaries etc organised.

School photos

School photos are scheduled for Monday 14 September. The closing date for orders was 26th August.

School Lunches

Please put your lunch order in by 9am Thursday at the Office.

ICAS papers

Please return any ICAS papers English and/or Maths to the office.

Term Contributions

... those who opted for term payment of school contributions received a contribution request recently by email.

Thank you for your support ... every cent goes back to the children in some value added form.

Player of the day

Netball

Mystics Cara M. & Natasha N.

Basketball

Matarau Mon-stars Lockie S, Cian, Tyde, Toby R

Matarau Stars James T, Tayla T, Lockie H, Dane G, Ashton R, Aamani, Malachi

Matarau Mavericks Piper, Olie, Caden, Flynn, Van, LeArli

Netball - SOME FEES OUTSTANDING

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 3rd 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.

Lost Property

Will be laid out for viewing in the coming weeks. Please ask your child to check the lost property if you are missing any clothes from your child's wardrobe (the lost property bins are located between rooms 11 and 12)! As usual, all items left at end of term will be donated to charity.

Advertisement for out of zone enrolments 2021 - Matarau School

The Board of Trustees of Matarau School has determined that ...

- ... there will be sufficient places for priority 2 students.
- ... there will be 14 places at year 0-1 for students in priorities 3 to 6
- ... there will be 4 places at year 2
- ... and 10 places at years 3-6 for students in priorities 3 to 6.
- ... and 2 places in our Cambridge Programme (Year 7 and 8)

Priority 1	Special character
2	Sibling of current student
3	Sibling of former student
4	Child of former student
5	Child of board employee
6	All other applicants

For information and Out of Zone Application Forms please contact our school office on 09 4335823 or at admin@matarau.school.nz

The closing date for applications is Wednesday 14 October. The outcome of any ballot, should a ballot be necessary, will be advised shortly after 22 October.

Hug a coach

More to follow next week!!

Finally

A reminder ... Discussions with some senior students have convinced us that most students are not aware of two critical things ...

- ... the danger of connecting with people unknown to them
- ... the danger of initiating or joining conversations about other people which can become unkind or damaging (and which cannot be called back easily).

The latitude for error when using social media is precariously narrow, and most children are not sufficiently conversant with the ways of the world to apply the necessary cautions. We are considering additional ways to drive the safety message at school, but much of this occurs outside of school time, and on non-school devices. Children tend to think of themselves as bullet-proof, and this makes them especially vulnerable. So, we are asking parents to be extra vigilant here. Know what sites your children visit, which social media they use, who they converse with, and the character of the conversations they initiate, or to which they contribute. We will do our best at our end.

Our Sponsors support your children, please support them

Nga mihi Kevin Trewhella PRINCIPAL



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Community notices

House wanted to rent

We have a wonderful school family looking to rent in the vicinity of our school. Non-smokers, no pets, great references. If you have, or know of, a 3 bedroom house for rent near our school, please phone Shontae on 021 02337060

Lamb for Calf Club Day

Murray Owen 0274511580 \$50/lamb Option to hand lamb back after calf club with full refund.

Comrie Kindergarten

Do you have a kindergarten aged child that is not currently on the Comrie Park waiting list? With our cohort entry system, spaces become available in groups twice a term and they are looking for more children now. For further information, please get in touch with them on 433 5045 or pop in to 109 Matarau Road 8:45 - 2:45 during school terms.

MAUNU TENNIS CLUB 2020/2021 Season

Senior Opening - Saturday September 19th 10.00 am Ladies Day - Every Wednesday 9.00 am Twilight - Thursday October 1st 5.30 pm Juniors - Tuesday October 13th 3.15 pm Queries to Ray or Sue Webb 09 434 6898 Mary Brown - Secretary Maunu Tennis Club Mobile: 027-477 2203 72B Puriri Park Road, Maunu, Whangarei

Hockey festival

We are very pleased to let you know that there is a development opportunity for all U13 and U15 players in the September holiday break. The U13 (year 7/8) event will be on Monday 5th October. This will be held at North Harbour, and will be run as a festival day for 2020, as there are no representative games this year. This is a great opportunity for students to play in teams with other Whangarei hockey players. If interested, please register using the link below. There will be an opportunity for players to meet their team prior to the event. Please also note, that it will be the responsibility of the parents to arrange transport to the venue. https://northlandhockey.org.nz/u13-and-u15-development-opportunity/?fbclid=lwAR1TWF3v9dttjVDq5qkHIMF2vjUasQqc4kTGL0ibYkINsGtLQzO2NnR-s1q

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