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<u>Thank you</u>

- ... To those who are supporting our PSG chocolate fundraiser.
- .. To those parents who supported this week's Hockey Festival

People of the week

... Gary Rodgers, Oliver Hayward, Flynn Smith and Rocco Gill who have been super busy keeping our playground clean and tidy this week.

- ... Our senior debating teams
- ... Miguel Shortland-Mendez for his standout contribution (and consistent hard work) on our junior sandpit project.

Good Luck

... to our Cross Country Representative runners who will represent us at next week's Northland Cross Country event.

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!

- 22 Sept. ... Rooms 5,6 and 7 trip to the Bird Recovery Centre
- 23 Sept. ... Rooms 1,2,3 and 1a trip to Bird Recovery Centre
- 23 Sept. ... Northland Cross Country
- 24 Sept. ... School Photos
- 25 Sept. ... Final day of term
- 12 Oct. ... First day of term 4
- 14 Oct. ... Out of zone applications close
- 22 Oct. ... Calf Club Day

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*.







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Previous Newsletters

Tax Refund on donations Change of clothes Digital packs Cross Country photos Term Contributions

Headlice Intended Secondary Schools 2021 Enrolments Home Gardens Netball Fees Matarau Library Link Attendance Art Scholarships ICAS papers

School Photos - Confirmed Date - 24.9

School photos will be taken on Thursday 24 September (subject to going in to level 1)

CALF CLUB - INDOOR EXHIBITS

A list of indoor exhibits for respective levels of the school is being sent home with this newsletter today. While most exhibits are done at school in the days prior to Calf Club Day, one of the exhibits is to be done at home. Please remember that, while you can give guidance, *these exhibits MUST be substantively the work of your child* out of fairness to other children. Items for construction of exhibits are required at school on Monday 19 October, flowers on Wednesday 21 October. Children are required to complete a minimum of 5 of 7 possible exhibits. Any questions please ask your child's teacher.

Please note that we will not be having a shared lunch or a cake auction this year due to covid.

Alternatively, we suggest that you bring a picnic lunch to be shared within your family group, or children can bring their lunch with them as they do on any regular school day (maybe with the inclusion of something special).



Calf Club - ANIMALS

Children have been asked if they will be bringing an animal to calf club day. If your child is bringing a 'pet' (chicken, rabbit, guinea pig, turtle etc) they need to complete a booklet, if your child hasn't brought one home please contact the office early next week. All Pet booklets need to be returned to the office on the first day of term 4 - 12 October. If your child is bringing a lamb or goat to school on Calf Club Day please check that they have told the Office.

Scholastic Book Fair

Will be held Week 2 of next term - <u>from 19 - 28th October</u>, including on Calf Club Day. Books will be available for purchase & order during this week. Updates will be on Facebook and by email. EFTPOS will be available.

<u>Home Gardens</u>

Garden Diaries were sent home recently with children who have indicated they are participating. Over the holidays we suggest that ...

- ... gardens are dug over and composted
- ... all seeds are planted
- ... seedlings in after Labour Weekend ... pest control measures are in place

Any questions don't hesitate to connect, and remember to take a look at our Facebook page (a great source of motivation & creativity) www.facebook.com/matarauschoolhomegardens

Matarau School Parent Support Group Compost Fundraiser - round 2

We are selling loads (approx cubic metre) of compost for \$20 for 1st trailer load and \$10 for all subsequent loads. Pick up is at the Fonterra yard on Jordan Valley Road, on **Sunday 18th October**, between 10am and 1pm. Please email Lisa <u>Iryan@matarau.school.nz</u> to order. Bank account details will be provided for payment along with a location map. No tickets will be issued or required as we'll confirm your order via email once your payment has been received and add you to the list that our volunteer will have with them at the gate on the day. Queries to Karen Walker or Lisa Ryan. Thank you for supporting our school and community. **Huge shout out to Fonterra for their support with this fundraise**r.

KidsArt School Fundraiser closing Monday the 28th September



Your child's art will be displayed on the website <u>www.kidsartworks.com</u> Use your unique school code which is printed on the form that was sent home previously.

<u>Netball</u>

Congratulations to our Senior Netball teams. The Year 7's came 3rd in their division and the Year 8's came 2rd in their division. A fantastic season girls!

Lost Property

Will be laid out for viewing next week. 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 <u>admin@matarau.school.nz</u>

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.

Finally

Thank you for your support this term, plenty to celebrate, and plenty to look forward to next term. A special thank you for supporting our virtues programme through work at home, and for bearing with our level 2 covid restrictions (again!).

Travel safely over the holiday period, have quality time together, and maybe spend some time reflecting on the things that matter most. Looking forward to reconnecting in term 4.

Nga mihi Kevin Trewhella PRINCIPAL Our Sponsors support your children, please support them



Community notices

<u>Comrie Kindergarten</u>

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=IwAR1TWF3v9dttjVDg5gkHIMF2vjUasQqc4kTGL0ibYkINsGtLQzO2NnR-s1g

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

International Dyslexia Awareness Month

Dyslexia PLUS invites supporters, friends and families to join a **dawn walk of the Town Basin Loop on Sunday 18 October**. Start time 6am from the Canopy Bridge. More information 430 0693 <u>admin@dyslexiaplus.org.nz</u>



Attached with the online newsletter you will find some holiday programmes for this upcoming break.