

Matarau School - Newsletter Term 4 Week 8

2020 Prize Giving - Monday 7 December

The evening will start at 6:30pm and will conclude approx 8.00pm with a supper.

Grandparents are especially welcome.

Families are asked to bring two plates of finger food please for a shared supper

Attendance on this night is optional for 5 year olds (all other children are asked to be present please).

Thank you ...

To those who have returned library books and class readers over recent weeks

To those wonderful parents who have helped out with year 8 options this week

To those parents who attended our Parent Helpers Morning Tea this week ... and to those who couldn't make it

Shout out and massive thanks to Garnet Motors and Mitre 10 Whangarei for donating to the junior school gardening project, we now have some beautiful native plants, grasses and lavenders to plant. We appreciate your generous donations. Thank you.



Prize Giving

Prize Giving always reminds us that real success seldom happens by accident. It is usually the result of diligent effort. Full credit, in advance, to every child who receives an award at prize giving, and to all of those children who worked hard to grow their learning, achieve their goals, overcome their fears and enrich the lives of others. But just as important, behind every successful child is a backstage team of parents and teachers who get stuck in and do their best, in a job that is often more an art than a science. You can take credit too.

And your job at prizegiving ...

... to help us create a special moment for every child who goes up on the stage. We do not make decisions lightly on who is called up, they deserve to be there. Let's make it as special for them as we possibly can.

Lost Property

Please drop by to check the lost property bin before the end of next week (by room 11). Items unclaimed by term's end will be donated to charities.

Basketball

End of season games this week. All players have been amazing. Thank you to the children and their parents for an amazing year. To our sponsors, Garnet Motors and Sumpter Baughen, thank you for backing us :)



Staffing for 2021

The Board is pleased to announce 2021 staffing as follow...

Teaching staff	Support staff
Room 1a TBC ... likely start term 3	Teacher Aides
Room 1 Mrs Alexander	Mrs Crawford
Room 2 Mrs Easterbrook	Mrs Wynyard
Room 3 Miss Gentil	Mrs Pol
Room 4 Mrs Baker	Mrs Ryan
Room 5 Mrs Jongkind	Mrs Hamilton
Room 6 Mrs Milicich	Mrs Perris
Room 7 Mrs Ringrose	Mrs Langley
Room 8 Mrs Burgin	Mrs Ringrose
Room 9 Mr Pattison	Information Technology
Room 10 Mrs Lunn	Mrs Sullivan
Room 11 Mrs Gunson	Administration
Room 12 Mrs Donaldson	Ms Hannam
Room 13 Mr Crump	Mrs Pol
	Mrs Sinclair (accounts)
Learning Support Co-ordinator - Mrs Marvin	Caretaker / Grounds
Learning Support / Pastoral Care - Mrs Williams	Mr Gardner-Lee
Science/Technology - Mr Johnson	
Information Technologies / Teacher Support - Mr Delemare	
Te Reo - Whaia Pera	ESOL
Music - Mrs Slykerman	Mrs Pol
Reading Recovery / Junior diagnostics - Mrs Broughton/Mrs Robertson	
Deputy Principal - Mrs Robertson / Assistant Principal - Mrs Donaldson	

Special Thanks to

Our sponsors for their generous contributions to our School
Staff for efforts, beyond the call of duty
The Board for its unswerving dedication to duty
Children for striving to attain your goals
(and for supporting others towards the same end)
To the many parents etc who have given their time to help in
classrooms, camp, sports days, transport
To those who have given us the benefit of the doubt
when things didn't quite turn out right.

We have plenty of exciting things planned for next year including a (continued) special focus on writing, further initiatives in the areas of science and technology, multiple intelligences, student well-being, a part time specialist music teacher, extension programmes, greatly increased reading recovery hours in the junior school, a couple of new breakout spaces, a shade cover over our main quad and NO SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS OR EVENTS FEES FOR 2021 ...

We look forward to sharing much more about these, AND OTHER THINGS, with you in the New Year.

Netball

Please return netball dresses to the office by Monday.



Swimming Lessons 2021

In past years Cristina Robles has taken swimming lessons after school. Cristina is well qualified to take swimming lessons and these lessons have been popular in the past. Cristina will take lessons on Mondays and Tuesday starting from 8 February running over an 8 weeks period at a cost of \$200 per student.

If interested please phone Cristina on 021464300 or email her at swim1deep@gmail.com. Cristina is happy to answer any questions you might have and to provide you with more information

As this is the last (official) newsletter of the year ...

Have a safe and enjoyable Christmas. Best wishes to those who end their association with us this year - we hope you will reflect positively on your period of involvement with our school.

SEE YOU AT PRIZE GIVING.



Final day of school 2020 ... Thursday 10 December (finish 3:00 pm)

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Kevin ... on behalf of the staff (and Board)