E-Newsletter Term 1 – Week 11

People of the week

... the senior school, sea scouts, brownies, girl guides, Mrs Donaldson, Mrs Gunson, and others for an amazing ANZAC commemoration this week. Great job!

... Mrs (Shelley) Ringrose who was granted full teacher registration this week. Congratulations Shelley!

Senior Camp

A huge thank you to parents of year 7 children who have assisted with camp fundraising thus far. The total cost of camp will be \$400 per student (staff have worked very hard to keep costs as low as possible – we assure you that this is very good value for money given the nature and duration of this camp). Fund-raising pre and post camp will reduce the cost to **\$200 maximum per student, less the "athon" money fund-raised recently**. Mrs Donaldson will be advising parents today of the exact camp fee for their child, to be payable please in **week 1 of next term**. Please feel free to contact Mrs Donaldson with any questions (kdonaldson@matarau.school.nz) or Kevin if you would like to discuss a time payment arrangement (ktrewhella@matarau.school.nz). We understand that finances can become a little stretched at times and we would be very pleased to negotiate a payment schedule if you would find that helpful.

Virtues Focus for 2021

Feel free to work with children on the CONSCTIENTOUSNESS virtue over the holidays. We can be conscientious in leisure as well as in work.

Ideas ...

- ... keeping my room tidy
- ... helping with preparation before and clean-up after meals
- ... keeping a bit of garden weed free
- ... sticking to routines ... bedtimes
- ... using kind words often etc etc

Let us know of any special successes so that we can celebrate these with you next term.

Term Calendar

- 16 April Last day of the term
- 25 April ANZAC Commemoration



3 May First day of term 2

ANZAC Dawn Service

There will be a group of school marching to the Dawn Service, meeting at Hannah Street at 5:30am on the 25th April. Please, wear school shirt if possible if you can make it. Everybody is welcome to join in.

School Pool - Key

Please note that the school pool is now closed. Thank you to those who hired keys. Please return keys to school after the holidays.

International Schools Competitions - LAST LAST CALL

Over time interest in these programmes is diminishing. We know that children (and parents) lead busy lives, and it is not always easy to squeeze in the recommended practice papers. Further, these competitions are now moderated within the school, and are not sent offshore for marking and ranking, this means that our moderation process is not as accurate as it once was as we not have access to aggregated data. Having said this, and within the limitations specified above, we are willing to run this competition again for those who are keen, and who are willing to supervise two practice papers at home each week over an approximately six-week period. So, if are keen for your child to be involved please email Miranda in our school office next week at admin2@matarau.school.nz **Exam dates 2021 are as follows ... English Exam... 17 August ... Maths Exam 31 August**

Player of the day - Basketball

Matarau CrushersBraxton Alexander & Willow TobinMatarau MagicsAamani Rudolph-HorneMatarau MavericksTayla Tobin

After School Care

If you think you would use our After School Care programme please contact Tracey on 021 127 1115 to enrol, or for more information.

Finally

Thank you for your support this term. We are always grateful to those people who take sports teams, cover books, help out in classrooms, transport children to events, support with fund-raising etc. ... you have been amazing!

Travel safely if going away. See you next term.

Nga mihi
Kevin Trewhella
PRINCIPAL



Community Notices

Please don't forget to look at the attachments with this e-mail.

Holiday Programmes

- Hockey Sports Programme
- Kiwi North Holiday Programme
 - Playball Northland
- Northland Youth Theatre Holiday Programme
 - Circus Classes Circus Kumarani
 - Futsal Holiday Programme

Play from Northland Youth theatre "The boy who never grew up" @ the Whangarei Quarry Gardens.

Coming up is a **seminar** for parents about Dyslexia on the 5th May.

Tikipunga Girls Football Team is calling all 10 or 11 year old girls for their team.

Kamo Community ANZAC Service Saturday 25th April at 10am, Kamo Memorial Hall, Boswell Street

Whangarei Record Collectors Fair, Saturday 17th April at 116 Bank Street