

Matarau School Newsletter Term 2 - Week 4 - 2021

Thanks

... to those parents who supported our year 4-6 Winter Sports teams this week
... to those who reacted so promptly to letters from our recent headlice inspection - prompt action be **everyone** means we can stay on top of this problem for longer. Remember, we only have one inspection per term and so we have to make the most of this.

People of the week

... School Council for their work in the build up to our Book Character Parade.

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

1 June	Book Character Parade
2 June	Year 4-6 Winter Sports Tournament
3 June	School Photos
7 June	Queen's Birthday
8 June	TEACHER ONLY DAY
30 June	Meeting of BoT
9 July	Final day of term 2 (26 July - start of term 3)

Mid-year Interviews ... will be held very early in term 3.

Calf Club Day

We have had lots of questions about Calf Club Day. We can now confirm that Calf Club Day 2021 will be held on Thursday 21 October and CALVES ARE BACK IN !!!! Woohoo!!!

Library Promotion

From the week starting 31 May children will be involved in a variety of library promotion activities. Activities which may be of particular interest to parents are as follows ...

... Book Character Parade ... 1 June ... 11:00 AM on the quad, weather permitting

... Grand opening of our library promotion ... 9 June ... 11:00 AM ... the theme will be a secret until the opening.

Book Character Parade 1 June ... 11:00 AM ... Reminder

This will be run by the School Council. Children are encouraged (optional) to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. Council will award prizes on the day, and ALL children will parade and be clapped. Please do not go to huge effort on the costumes. Sometimes the simplest costumes are the best! Parents are warmly invited to join us. **Council has requested an optional gold coin donation to put towards their fundraising.**

REMEMBER - *many of the certificates will be for "simple but effective" to encourage creativity over elaborate and expensive costumes. We do appreciate that parents help out here, but don't want too much of the burden to fall on you. So kids can keep it simple, and if life is too busy, remember that participation is entirely optional.*

Interschool Winter Sports Tournaments

The year 4 to 6 tournament is scheduled for **Wednesday 2 June**. Consents for both events will be issued shortly and so please keep an eye out for these.

School Photos

Are scheduled for **Thursday 3 June** ... order forms will be sent home next week.

Teacher Only Day

Please note that a Teacher Only Day has been scheduled for **Tuesday 8 June**. School will be closed for instruction on this day, and Matarau School buses will not run on this day. We apologise for any inconvenience arising from this. We have timed this day so that those who wish to travel away with family can tack another day to their vacation.

Learning Support Programme

A number of parents were advised last term that their children had been placed in Learning Support programmes to commence term 2. This is a valuable opportunity for a more personalized and intensive learning programme, in an area of need, and parental support with assigned homework tasks is expected. Please contact Mrs Marvin or Mrs Robertson if you have any questions about this programme.

If your child is struggling socially or emotionally ...

... we have staff in learning and pastoral support roles who are more than willing to help out. If you would like someone to monitor and support your child over the coming weeks please email Mrs Robertson rrobertson@matarau.school.nz or Mrs Marvin jmarvin@matarau.school.nz

New virtue - KINDNESS

We have broken from our CONSCIENCIOUSNESS theme for 4 weeks in support of Pink Shirt Day. So KINDNESS is the buzz word for the next 4 weeks. You will find support material attached to this newsletter. So please ...

... discuss this with your children at home and revisit often

... talk about how you practise kindness in your life

... set some kindness goals

... let us know of instances so we can share these

Remember that we will always get better traction when the message is reinforced at school and at home. Thank you in anticipation.



Player of the Day - Basketball

Matarau Crushers	-	Cian and Nikau
Matarau Magics	-	Aamani
Matarau Mavericks	-	Malachi



Matarau School last season Honey for sale

Honey is available at the school office.

The price is **\$8** for an approx. 500g jar.

Cash is preferred but money can also be transferred into the school account.

UPCOMING EVENT - Whittaker's Chocolate Fundraiser.

Forms will be sent home next week to request additional boxes to sell or an opt-out option.

Any questions please contact Lisa Ryan

- lryan@matarau.school.nz



Finally

You may know that our school is part of a wider community of schools working together, sharing resources, co-ordinating professional development, identifying and responding to common needs etc. These Communities of Learning (kahui ako), create opportunities to network, thus drawing down on the experience, enthusiasm, and expertise, of a wider pool of educators, as well as relevant third party agencies. Attached you will find a newsletter outlining some of our current work.

We appreciate your support!!

Nga mihi

Kevin Trehwella

PRINCIPA



AIMS GAMES HOCKEY TEAM FUNDRAISER

Grab a bag (or 2) of Chicken Manure.

Fantastic fertiliser for your garden!

Available end of May.

Please email Melissa to order: mlangley@matarau.school.nz



Also...

Got jobs that need doing or need some extra help around home??

- ⇒ Does that lawn need mowing...
- ⇒ Chicken manure need spreading...
- ⇒ Garden need weeding...
- ⇒ Fence needs painting...

...Hire some of our team to do it for you!!

Email Melissa to arrange mlangley@matarau.school.nz



Community notices



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A DRIVER FOR RITCHIES

PART-TIME MORNING & AFTERNOON EMPLOYMENT

WE HAVE DRIVER VACANIES FOR:

SPECIAL NEEDS, SCHOOL BUS & URBAN (CITY) REQUIRE CLASS 1 & 2 WITH "P" ENDORSEMENT

IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO ENJOYS WORKING WITH CHILDREN AND HAS A MATURE ATTITUDE

CONTACT: AMY 4387142 EXT: 1



Did you know that after rainfall 69% of NZ's rivers are deemed unsafe for swimming due to contamination?

With statistics like this The Mobile Phone Appeal is excited to partner with Sustainable Coastlines as the chosen beneficiary for The Mobile Phone Appeal.

That means it's time again to rummage through your drawers and toy boxes and bring into School any unwanted mobile phones you may have.

Phone collected help reduce waste sent to landfills, save valuable materials and energy, and help look after New Zealand's waterways. Please drop any unwanted mobile phones you may have in the collection box in School reception.

We believe the future of our beautiful coastline & waterways can only be secured if we all work together.



TABLE TENNIS NORTHLAND



Come and have fun and learn Table Tennis skills in our top class Table Tennis Stadium at Kensington Park.

Mondays : 4.30pm – 6.00pm

Tuesdays : 4.30pm – 6.00pm GIRLS' CLUB

Cost : \$50 (Primary & Intermediate children) \$70 (Secondary School Pupils) subscription for a year or \$2 casual fee per session.

We have bats for sale or they may be hired for \$1. Soft soled non marking shoes must be worn.

Contact : Naina Suri 022 538 2035 email: ttsportsnorth97@gmail.com