

Matarau School Newsletter Term 2 - Week 6 - 2021

Thanks

... School Council for an awesome Character Parade
... To those who have got behind the Whittaker's Chocolate and other PSG fund-raising efforts
... To those parents of now secondary students who have already volunteered their children's contributions to our forthcoming Cambridge survey.

People of the week

... our support staff who put additional hours, passion, creativity and team work to make our library a super amazing place to visit over coming weeks. Thank you so much for your efforts!

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

14 June	AGM Parent Support Group
22 June	Marae trip Room 1-4
29 June	Marae trip Room 5-7
30 June	Meeting of BoT
6 July	Matariki Celebration
9 July	Final day of term 2 (26 July - start of 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!!!

Parents Support Group - AGM Meeting on **Monday 14th June** at 3:10pm in the Library. All parents welcome to join.

Cambridge ... survey of former students ... LAST CALL!

We would be keen for as many of our former Cambridge students as possible to complete a Google survey. If you have a child who was on this programme last year, please ask them if they would be willing to be surveyed. If they say yes, and we hope they will, could you please email their current email address to Mrs Donaldson at kdonaldson@matarau.school.nz

We have been getting great feedback from former students, and secondary schools, but want to ensure our programmes are as well calibrated as possible. Thank you for your assistance!

Plastics and the Environment

Please help us to reduce the amount of plastic coming to school each day by using compartmentalised lunchboxes and/or removing plastic wrappings from items before packing. We have explained to children that plastic dropped here enters waterways, and eventually the sea, and that this can cause sometimes irreversible damage. If you have time you could reinforce the critical importance of caring for our environment and that even small things, added together, can make a huge difference.

New virtue - KINDNESS ... PLEASE KEEP THIS ROLLING AT HOME

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 - Everyone

Matarau Magics - Toby Ringrose

Matarau Mavericks - Mr. P

Whittaker's Chocolate Fundraiser.

Forms are sent home last week to request additional boxes to sell or an opt-out option.

Any questions please contact Lisa Ryan

- lryan@matarau.school.nz



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.

Saturday Sport ... IMPORTANT ENOUGH TO GLANCE OVER AGAIN

An important message on behalf of the major sporting organisations and Sport NZ

A number of sporting organisations are expressing growing concerns that not all NZ children

receive the right messages at weekend sports events. Parents are asked by these organisations

to give serious attention to the following suggestions ...

THINGS PARENTS SHOULD NOT DO ...

DO NOT ...!

- * argue with the referee
- * shout at your child
- * Constantly instruct your child
- * argue with other parents
- * dissect every game with your child
- * get angry at a match
- * shout at other children
- * storm off in the middle of a game
- * be critical of your child's performance
- * be critical of any other child's performance

INSTEAD - DO ...!

- ✓ tell them you are proud of them
- ✓ support
- ✓ encourage
- ✓ praise
- ✓ inspire
- ✓ motivate

Finally

It is difficult to sign off this week's newsletter without a further reference to our library promotion. Our combined support staff worked long and hard to create an opportunity for kids to actually step into, and be a part of, an actual unfolding story. The attention to detail is stunning, and will well occupy the minds of children (and staff) in the weeks ahead. If you get a chance, please drop by and take a look. Invite your child to show you through and ask them to talk with you about the various facts of the story being told. When you step in the main door don't forget to look up!

A special thanks to Paula without whom this might not have happened. Great leadership Paula. Great teamwork from the rest of you.

Nga mihi

Kevin Trehwella
PRINCIPAL

We appreciate your support!!

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.