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## Newsletter

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### Thanks

... to those parents who dropped by for this week's Character Parade and to all of those parents who helped children with their character costumes.  
... to those parents who supported our teams at this week's Interschool Winter Sports Tournament

### Persons of the week

... the School Council for organising an awesome Character Parade

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

7 June	Queen's Birthday
8 June	TEACHER ONLY DAY
30 June	Meeting of BoT
6 July	Matariki Day (More to follow)
9 July	Final day of term 2 (26 July - start of term 3)

### Teacher Only Day

A reminder that 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.

### New virtue - KINDNESS

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

### 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!!!**

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Play Learn and Grow Together!

### Library

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

### 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.

### Cambridge ... survey of former students

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](mailto: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!

### School Library

We would like to invite you to drop by our library week starting 14 June. We have a special team invested with responsibility for taking the library, and the love of books, to the next level. Phase one has involved creating an exciting and vibrant library environment based around a special (surprise) theme. Although a team effort, special credit must go to our librarian Paula for the work she does (above and beyond), and to the wider support staff. A special thanks also to our teacher librarian, Ms Gentil, and to her very conscientious team of librarians.

So ... when passing, please visit our library some time week starting 14 June ... maybe visit with your children so that they can tell you all about our library theme.

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

### UPCOMING EVENT - Whittaker's Chocolate Fundraiser.

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

Any questions please contact Lisa Ryan - [lryan@matarau.school.nz](mailto:lryan@matarau.school.nz)



## Player of the Day

### **Basketball:**

Matarau Crushers. Willow Tobin

Matarau Magics. Ben Elias

Matarau Mavericks. Piper Deeming

### **Netball Matarau Mystics:**

13th May - Millie DeBaugh

20th May - Piper Deeming

## Saturday Sport

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

##### **INSTEAD - DO ...!**

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

**Remember to affirm and support coaches and managers often and to be overwhelmingly positive with the kids.**

### **Some fantastic feedback**

We quite often get feedback from people on our children's conduct at interschool events. The following feedback was emailed to us this week by one of the bus contractors.

*So pleased all your little Tamariki had a great trip yesterday, so did we.*



*The children were*

*very good, very respectful to our coaches and every child had amazing manners.*



*Well done Matarau School. Happy to take you anywhere!!!*

### **Finally**

For the rest of this term we will be promoting manners as part of our "Little Things Make a Difference" focus. We will focus on the importance of those old fashioned words like please, thank you, excuse me, greeting someone with "good morning (or an "ata marie")", holding the door open for someone etc. These might just be words, but words can make a difference. Words connect in mysterious ways with ideas, behaviours, and attitudes of mind ... and they ripple in equally mysterious ways. Kids have got off to a great start ... so feel free to piggy back on this at home.

Nga mihi

Kevin Trehwella

PRINCIPAL

**We appreciate your support!**



### 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.

### Community notices

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**RITCHIES** 



WELCOME IN THE MAORI NEW YEAR WITH  
PLANETARIUM NORTH & KIWI NORTH

# Matariki Dawn

**6AM-8AM SATURDAY 19 JUNE  
AT KIWI NORTH**

Learn about the stars at the Planetarium 6am-7am  
then visit the Whangarei Museum including  
the latest exhibition "Drawing our Heritage"

You are invited to share a hot drink and BBQ breakfast  
with us, while watching the sunrise from the knoll.

Koha appreciated.

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