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Thanks

- ... to all the grandparents who came to our grandparent's celebration.
- ... to those parents helping with supervision at next week's marae visit.
- ... Room 10 would like to say a huge "Thank you" to their class sponsor- Rowan Beach. We are very fortunate to have you on board. Ka Pai.

Persons of the week

... all Basketball players for wearing their Matarau t-shirt with pride and the excellent manners they show during their games.

<u>Term calendar</u> ... More to follow as dates come to hand!

6 July Matariki Day

9 July Final day of term 2 (26 July - start of term 3)

26 July Start of Term 3

Matariki Day Tuesday 6th July

Feel free to pop in on Tuesday and check out what your child is doing during the day. We will be providing a BBQ for all children at lunchtime on this day. If your child is Gluten Free, or Vegan please contact Mrs Gunson before the end of school on Monday, so she can organise a sausage for them as well. Any questions, please contact Mrs Gunson. (jgunson@matarau.school.nz)

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

Final day of school 2021

... will be Wednesday 15 December.

Lost Property

With the end of term fast approaching, parents are invited to come and look through the lost property some time over the next week. This will be displayed in the hall. Unclaimed items will be donated to charities.

School Cross Country

Will be held early next term on **Monday 16 August**. If your child is serious about placing in the school competition you might want to start them training over the holidays. First practice will be soon after commencement of the new term - so come prepared with running shoes.





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Mid-year Interviews

Monday 2 August & Tuesday 3 August (plus the additional day of 4 August - Year 7 & 8 only)

Our online interview booking system is now open. Interviews are booked on a first in basis.

Please note that we have 2 concurrent interview cycles this year. You will need to book under 2 different codes (see below) ... On interview nights the change-over bells will ring every 15 minutes as per normal, but these bells will apply to the year 1 to 6 interviews only. The year 7 and 8 interviews will be of 10 minutes duration, all of these interviews will be held in room 11, and change overs will be at the direction of the teachers. All 3 senior school teachers will be present at the year 7 and 8 interviews. If you have children in years 1 to 6 and in year 7 and 8, please remember that times will overlap and so we suggest that you book your year 7 and 8 slot with spare slots either side to avoid double ups.

To book you need to visit - www.schoolinterviews.co.nz & enter the relevant code as follows ...

Junior and Middle School (years 1 to 6) the code is wnwv9

Senior School (year 7 and 8) the code is 4f2na

If you do not have access to the internet, or if you have any questions, please give Paula a call on Monday. Teachers are available at other times by appointment.

(Please note that on 2 and 3 August School will finish at 2:30 pm to allow teachers time to prepare for interviews and buses will run 30 minutes earlier. On 4 August (which is the additional year 7 and 8 interview day) school will finish at the usual time of 3:00pm with no changes to bus departure times).

In a forthcoming newsletter we will send you some simple tips on how to prepare for your interview.

(p.s. having two cycles enables us to provide parents of year 7 and 8 students with feedback from all of their child's specialist teachers, thus negating the need for multiple interviews. This also enables teachers and parents to identify whether issues are context or subject specific).

Notice of early finish on Monday & Tuesday 2 and 3 August

Please note that school finishes at 2:30pm on 2 and 3 August (only) to allow teachers time to prepare for interviews. Buses will run approximately 30 minutes earlier on these days - the exception to this is <u>the Kamo bus will still depart school at 3.50pm</u>. Parents who pick their children up from school are asked to do so at this earlier time please. We apologise for any inconvenience caused by these changes. (Please note that bus drop off times can vary from the usual on these days due to unpredictable bus loadings).

High School Visits

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				College
Presentation	9 August	27 July	28 July	
at Matarau	11am	1.30pm	2pm	
Open	12 August	5 August	11 August	15 August
evening	5.30-7pm	4.30pm	5.30-7.30pm	2pm

International Schools Competitions

Practice papers are now circulating for the English Exam and can be swapped at the school office. Please help to ensure they have a set time and place to do these papers. Children are encouraged to do a minimum of two practise papers a week please. We will ensure they have some practice papers for the holidays. Exams are scheduled as follows ... English - 17 August ... Mathematics - 31 August



SINCE 1896 Whittaker's Chocolates

Thank you to all that have sold and paid for chocolates already - what an outstanding effort! Few reminders, please return chocolates to school asap if you think you'll be unable to sell, we have families waiting for more to sell. Please get in touch if you'd like more chocolates to sell, we will process a 2nd order early next week and finally - please remember when paying online it's NOT the school bank account, check the envelope that was with your order for the Parent Support Group Kiwibank account number. Any queries please contact the PSG via FB or email matarau.psg@gmail.com

Yummy Stickers

Please collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cut-out label is worth 10 stickers) and individual Yummy apple stickers for our share of the \$200,000 free DG Sport sports gear prize pool. Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'nSAVE and participating Four Square d some Countdowns). The more you collect the more sports gear we get Please see Mrs Fasterbrook.

stores (and some Countdowns). The more you collect, the more sports gear we get. Please see Mrs Easterbrook in room 2 for more sticker/label sheets. All started or completed sheets must be returned to me before the end of term 3. Thank you! Mrs E.

KINGS SEED FUNDRAISER

In association with Kings Seeds, we have a variety of seeds that we are able to sell as a Fundraiser for the school. Great time to be looking forward to planting for Home Gardens and Spring.

Early notice that order forms will be sent home beginning of Term 3. SO WATCH THIS SPACE!

Finally

Thank you for your support this term. Final word and holiday best wishes will follow with our E-newsletter next week.

Nga mihi Kevin Trewhella PRINCIPAL

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Matarau School last season Honey for sale

Honey is available at the school office. The price is \$8 for an approx. 500g jar. Preferable transfer money into the school account or pay cash at the office.







