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#### Thanks

... to all parents/caregivers who visited our school library on parent / teacher interview afternoons.

Our raffle had many entries and we are pleased to announce the winners :

- Parent Jade Stanners Student Amaya Stanners
- Parent Gemma Cuttle Student Eli Tawhiti
- Parent Leah Harold Student Casper Harold
- Parent Lee-Frost Ah Mu Student Gwyneth Ah Mu
- Parent Sharleen Perris Student Ellie Perris

These families have won a \$25 scholastic book voucher each. These were presented to the children earlier this week.

- .. to the parents who helped with the headlice inspection.
- ... to the parents who transported students to Mathex

# Persons of the week

... all the Mathex teams that awesome, well done!

<u>Term calendar</u> .	More to follow as dates come to hand!
16 August	School's Cross Country
17 August	ICAS English exam
20 August	Parent Support Group Meeting
30 August	Staff Only day
31 August	ICAS Maths exam
1 September	Barge Park Cross Country
6–10 September	AIMS Games
1 October	Last day of Term 3 (18 Oct. First day term 4)
21 October	Calf Club Day

## Final day of school 2021

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... will be Wednesday 15 December.

## International Schools Competitions

Practice papers are now circulating for the English and Maths Exams 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.

> Exams are scheduled as follows ... English – 17 August ... Mathematics - 31 August



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# School Cross Country

Will be held next Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> August, on the Smith property across from the school (same location as last year). We hope you can support us on the day. It would also be helpful if each child has a towel and a spare set of clothes. A rough schedule of race times as follow:

11.50	12/13 year old Girls	1.20	8 year old Boys
12.00	12/13 year old Boys	1.30	Non 8 year old Girls (Y3s)
12.10	11 year old Girls	1.35	Non 8 year old Boys (Y3s)
12.20	11 year old Boys	1.40	Year 2 Girls
12.30	10 year old Girls	1.45	Year 2 Boys
12.40	10 year old Boys	1.50	Year 0/1 Girls
12.50	9 year old Girls	1.55	Year 0/1 Boys
1.00	9 year old Boys	2.00	Kindy Race (all together)
1.10	8 year old Girls	2.20	Prize Giving

## Change of Clothes

Due to current weather conditions we suggest that students (especially younger students) have a spare change of clothes in their bag for wet weather accidents. Remember, this set of clothes could also be used for cross country practice runs which are being held most days. Thank you.

#### New Virtue

As you all know "conscientiousness" is our overarching virtue for 2021. In order to support our efforts to "grow" in conscientiousness children will be learning about **ORDERLINESS** over the coming weeks. Please find attached some information on orderliness to support your efforts at home. Please support by ...

- ... discussing this at home
- ... talking about how orderliness helps you

... setting some home orderliness goals (e.g. getting ready for school, keeping the bedroom tidy etc)

... letting us know of any special orderliness achievements so that we can celebrate these at school.

#### High School presentation & open evenings

Sunday 15 August 2pm
18 & 19 August enrolment interviews,
book online www.schoolinterviews.co.nz
Thursday 18 November / guided tours every Friday morning 9.15am, bookings online https://huanuicollege.school.nz/admissions/experienc e-huanui

## Wellness for school

Remember please ...cough, runny nose, fever, headaches etc ... please keep your child at home and not return them to school for 48 hours after cessation of last symptom. Any doubts please consult your child's GP. Remember to have a care plan in place in case we request pick up from school.

## Parent Support Group

There is a meeting next Friday 20th August, straight after school in the library. All welcome. Apologies and agenda items to Lisa Ryan or Fi Goodin 027 295 2726.

## Attendance Term 2 ... looking to term 3

The school is required to monitor attendance rates (and morning arrival times) and to investigate in the event that attendance falls below the Ministry benchmark. Regular school attendance is a critical component of educational success. If you received a letter last term advising of less than ideal attendance please make contact with us so that we can work together to improve your child's school attendance. Sometimes the solutions can be quite simple ones. An attendance audit will be repeated one month into this term.

#### Te Horo Cross Country Results

		Name	Placing			Name	Placing
7 years	Girls	Alena Gilberd	3 <sup>rd</sup>	10 years	Girls	Tia Welsh	1 <sup>st</sup>
7 years	Boys	Aiden Curnow	1 <sup>st</sup>			Quinn Slatter	2 <sup>nd</sup>
8 years	Girls	Katie Perris	4 <sup>th</sup>			Hannah Perris	3 <sup>rd</sup>
		Ady Gibbs	5 <sup>th</sup>			Brianna Brown-W	4 <sup>th</sup>
	Boys	Braxton Alexander	1 <sup>st</sup>			Samara Walker	9 <sup>th</sup>
		Cian Gunson	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Boys	Tyler Curnow	1 <sup>st</sup>
		Mason Leith	3rd			Bodhi Mitten	2 <sup>nd</sup>
		Ethan Watkins	4 <sup>th</sup>			Lochie Leonard	3 <sup>rd</sup>
		Zac Burgin	5 <sup>th</sup>			George Whittaker-C	4 <sup>th</sup>
		Harry Easterbrook	7 <sup>th</sup>			Dane Gunson	6 <sup>th</sup>
	Girls	Niamh Hall	5 <sup>th</sup>			Levi Brown	7 <sup>th</sup>
		Pippa Goodin	9 <sup>th</sup>	11/12 Years	Girls	Lydia Jongkind	1 <sup>st</sup>
		Emma Donaldson	10 <sup>th</sup>			Isabell Attwood	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Boys	Kaden Auton	1 <sup>st</sup>			LeArli Job-Neho	3 <sup>rd</sup>
		Tyde Job-Neho	4 <sup>th</sup>			Maisey Easterbrook	4 <sup>th</sup>
		Lachlan Smith	5 <sup>th</sup>		Boys	Corbett Rumney	1 <sup>st</sup>
		Ashton Henwood	7 <sup>th</sup>			Ben Donaldson	4 <sup>th</sup>
		Beau Barry	10 <sup>th</sup>				

#### **Term Headlice Inspection**

Headlice inspections this week indicated moderate levels of infestation. A whole school inspection enables us to get on this problem at the same time, thus reducing levels of infestation across the school, and ultimately reducing the need for repeat treatments. It is highly important, if you received notification of infestation, or suspected infestation, that you treat your child if you have not already done so. We are happy to put parents requiring support or guidance in touch with our public health nurse.

#### <u>Lunchorders</u>

Remember you can order a nice warm lunch every Thursday or Friday Sushi. Orders need to be in on the day before 8am. Please visit the website www.lunchonline.co.nz for ordering.



## Orders are now open for The Kings Seeds. - Seedy School Fundraiser Programme.



Orders are being taken via the website <u>https://mataraufundraising.co.nz/</u> and paid using online banking. There is an option for friends and family who are not local to order and have them sent.

The Seedy Schools Fundraiser programme offers children and families quality time in the garden through sowing seeds and growing plants together. Seeds can be purchased to give as gifts to friends and family.

We will be doing two rounds of seed orders; first round need to be in by the 14.08.21. The second round will need to be in by the 04.09.2021. That should mean that we are getting the orders through in a timely manner, and shouldn't have too much of a wait getting them out.

Any queries to <u>matarau.psg@gmail.com</u>. Thanks in advance for supporting the school.

#### 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 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.

#### 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 <u>Parent Support Group Kiwibank account number</u>. Any queries please contact the PSG via FB or email <u>matarau.psg@qmail.com</u>

#### 2022 Enrolments

We know this might seem early, but very soon the Board of Trustees will set the number of out of zone enrolments for 2022. Our goal is to keep numbers at, or below, nationally recommended staffing levels. Early information on which children will, or will not, be with us in 2022 is very helpful in achieving optimal class numbers, and also gives us an indication of how many places to advertise for out of zone families. We also receive regular out of zone enquiries, and need to be in a position, very soon, to advise if places are likely to become available by a departing child.

50 ... this message is for those who already know that their children will not be with us, or are unlikely to be with us, in 2022. This email is not for those who are undecided, and need further time due to uncertainty. So, if you DO KNOW that your child WILL NOT, OR VERY LIKELY WILL NOT attend Matarau School in 2022 can you please advise the school office as soon as possible, by phone message over the weekend or on Monday, or drop by to chat with Kevin. Thank you for your assistance.

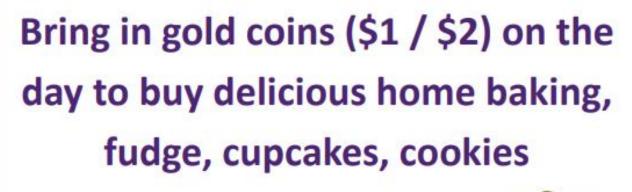
#### Sibling 2022 Enrolments

If you live in zone, or currently have a child enrolled at Matarau school, and have another child who will start in 2022, please advise the school office as soon as possible by leaving a message on the answer machine – 433 5823. (This is not a guarantee of places for out of zone) This has yet to be decided by the Board.

Nga mihi Kevin Trewhella PRINCIPAL



# Thursday 26th August At lunchtime from the canteen



And much more..



Thank you for your support



#### What is Orderliness?

Orderliness is being neat, and living with a sense of harmony. It is being organized and having a place for things when you need them. Orderliness is planning something so that it works, doing it step by step instead of going in circles. Orderliness is putting first things first, and taking care of things you need to do.

#### Why Practice It?

When people are orderly, they get things done efficiently, without wasting time and effort. Without order there is confusion, and it is easy to lose things. People who need to do things quickly and skillfully need to be very orderly. What would happen if doctors and fire-fighters misplaced the tools they need to save lives? When you are orderly you can find a solution to any problem.



#### **How Do You Practice It?**

Decide how you want to arrange the space around you to keep it orderly and attractive. Have a place for your things and put them away when you finish using them. Orderliness helps you do things efficiently, by making a plan and following it, step by step. Orderliness can help you solve even difficult problems. Divide them into small parts and handle them one at a time. Order around you creates order inside you. It gives you peace of mind.



#### What would Orderliness look like if...

- You look at your room and see a big mess?
- You finish playing with a game that has lots of pieces?
- You find it really hard to deal with some problem?
- You're running around the school yard and hear the bell?
- You're on a hike and don't know where to put the trash from your lunch?
- You have a big job to do?

#### **Signs of Success**

Congratulations! You are practicing Orderliness when you...

- Have a place to put each of your things
- Put your things away in the same place each time
- Have a plan before your begin any job
- Solve problems step-by-step
- Create a harmonious space that gives you peace of mind
- Appreciate the beauty and order of nature

#### Affirmation

I live this day with order. I do things step by step. I create beauty and harmony in my space and in my life.