

Thanks

... To those parents who have submitted Enrolment Applications for out of zone siblings.

People of the week

... All of those children and staff who practised Te Reo this week

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

22 September	Keeping Ourselves Safe Parents' Meeting (3:15pm)
22 September	Meeting of the Board of Trustees (Not 29.9 as previously advertised).
28 September	ICAS Maths
1 October	Last day of Term 3 (18 Oct. First day term 4)

Final day of school 2021

... will be Wednesday 15 December

Calf Club Day

... will be held **Thursday 21 October** ... the Thursday before Labour Weekend.

The Closing day for entries is Monday the 20th September. Please complete the online permission form if you consent to your child bringing a pet, lamb or goat to Calf Club Day. These are emailed to everyone during lockdown. ** Any questions please contact to the school office **

Home Gardens

Reminder ... please return Expression of Interest Forms to school as soon as possible so that we can get diaries etc organised.

Whangarei Girls High School

Orientation Day for our Year 9, 2022 intake has been changed to
Friday 26th November.

Keeping Ourselves Safe - Police Education Programme

Parents are invited to a meeting in the staffroom 3:15 pm Wednesday 22 September to discuss the above programme. This meeting will be hosted by Gary Hayes, our allocated Police Ed Officer. Gary will give an outline of the programme, and take any questions you might have. Please advise the school office next week if you will be in attendance at this meeting.

Lockdown laptops

If your child was leant a school laptop for the lockdown period, please return this to school on Monday. Thankyou.

Netball

Now the netball season is over, can you please return your child's netball dress to the office.

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. Thank you.

If you have any of the junior school's spare clothes at home, please could you send them back in? We have run out of pants and shorts.

Year 7 and 8 Cambridge Programme

Last week parents of year 6 children received some printed information on our year 7 and 8 programme. Former students consistently tell us how well prepared they were for the demands of secondary school, with many of them transitioning quickly to more advanced learning.

We will hold an after school meeting Thursday 23 September 3:15 in room 12 to discuss this programme and to answer questions (we will social distance but masks are not necessary). If you think you might be at this meeting, please advise the school office not later than next Wednesday.

We are also more than happy to meet with you by appointment. The Cambridge programme is a **Junior Secondary Level Programme** and so it is demanding. Nevertheless, we can tailor children's programmes to suit children's needs and will invite parents to book a meeting mid-way through next term to have input into placement decisions. In the meantime, have a read of the material sent home today, access further material on our website, and let us know if you have questions. We are the only public school in Northland to offer this programme ... and the Board meets the cost.

International Schools Competitions

Due to recent disruptions to school we have moved the ICAS Maths Examination to **Tuesday 28 September**. Children are encouraged to do a minimum of two practise papers a week please. Please help to ensure that children have a set time and place to do these papers. Practice papers can be exchanged at the school office.

Drink bottles

... please ensure all children bring a drink bottle to school each day. We have processes for refilling these if required.

Applications for Out of Zone Places - Siblings

Applications for siblings of current students must be received by 29 September please along with all other applications. So ... even if you are seeking entry on sibling basis, and you are out of zone, a position will be held for your child only if an application is received, otherwise this position will be offered to another student. If we can help in any way please let us know.

2022 Enrolments

We are receiving quite a number of OOO enrolment enquiries. 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. Thank you for your assistance. If you are undecided, or your circumstances are unclear, take whatever time you need.

Advertisement for out of zone enrolments 2022 - Matarau School

The Board of Trustees of Matarau School has determined that ...

... there will be sufficient places for priority 2 students.

... there will be 8 places at year 0 - 2 for students in priorities 3 to 6

... there will be 2 places at years 3-4 for students in priorities 3 to 6

... and 4 places at years 5-6 for students in priorities 3 to 6.

... and 3 places in our Cambridge Programme (Year 7 and 8)

Priority 1	Special character
2	Sibling of current student
3	Sibling of former student
4	Child of former student
5	Child of board employee
6	All other applicants

For information and Out of Zone Application Forms please contact our school office on 09 4335823 or at admin@matarau.school.nz

The closing date for applications is Wednesday 29 September. The outcome of any ballot, should a ballot be necessary, will be advised shortly after 20 October.

Matarau School Parent Support Group Compost Fundraiser

We are selling the amazing Fonterra compost in loads of approx 1 cubic metre (those that have purchased before know how generous these loads are) for the bargain price of \$20 per cube. Sunday 26th September. Pick up Jordan Valley Road between 10am and 2pm

Our gate volunteers will greet you and check you off the list. Drive around to the loader and you're loaded up in minutes. Hardest part will be watching someone unload it for you when you get home.

Please order via our website <https://mataraufundraising.co.nz>

Bank account for online payment will be provided after your order is submitted. No cash sales on the day please. If you would like assistance with ordering please contact us via email

matarau.psg@gmail.com.

Covid level 1 or 2 required to proceed with this event, if higher we will contact purchasers via email prior to

Lunchorders

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.



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Phone 0800 LOL LOL
Phone 0800 565 565
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Healthy and affordable | Easy internet ordering

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.

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.

Final Word ... Hug a coach

We are sure that most of you will have given more than a moment's thought to the diligent efforts of our team coaches and managers. This is voluntary work, done simply through a desire to see kids thrive in their respective codes, to learn teamwork, to set goals, to build their fitness, to enjoy the outdoors, to be humble in victory, and even more, to cope with defeat. It's not an easy job, but our coaches and managers are there to bring it all together, and sometimes to pick up the pieces. We are asking this week that children take on the task of telling their team manager and coach just how much they appreciate their tireless efforts. Of course, you can't give them a hug during covid, but please do the next best thing ... a word of thanks, a card or letter, a wee gift. Your call, but please make your gratitude know.

Enjoy the weekend.

Nga mihi

Kevin Trewhella
PRINCIPAL

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Community notices

[Interdisciplinary Artificial Intelligence Initiative by MIT Graduate Students](#)

How can AI help us mitigate the climate crisis, trace the spread of illnesses, build self-driving cars, or identify bias in the criminal justice system? How *exactly* does Netflix know what your next favorite TV show is before you do? At the [AI Scholars program](#) students learn to **apply an AI toolkit to tackle such real-world issues in domains they're passionate about— no prior programming experience necessary.**

Through a [project-based curriculum](#), students work under the guidance of an AI mentor from **Stanford or MIT** to explore the **ethics and applications of artificial intelligence in healthcare, environment, law, music, astronomy and more!** At the end of the course, students gain a sophisticated understanding of AI, experience applying AI to real-world datasets, and a final project they can use to enhance their college portfolio and careers.

*"I have never attended a program that makes AI so **accessible** for high school students. Not only did I learn how to build various models, I also understood how they worked and how I could apply them to my own passions for history and political science. **Inspirit AI has equipped me with the tools and mentors to pursue artificial intelligence further with a strong foundation.**"*

– Divya Ganesan, Stanford University, Castilleja High School alum
AI + Politics: Fake News Detection

[Applications](#) for our 2021 programs are open! The deadline to apply is September 30th.