

Matarau school Newsletter Term 2 Week 6

Thank you

... To those who have responded to the Cambridge Survey (one more week for those who haven't)

People of the Week

... Braydee-Jayne Taituha for her recent selection for the Under 14's Whangarei netball team - congratulations Braydee-Jayne.

... Ellie and Katie Perris for being so helpful settling a new 5 year old into bus routines. Your efforts have been widely noticed girls. Well done!

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

14 June	Meeting of Board of Trustees
23 June	Matariki Day
4/5 July	Mid-year Interviews
8 July	last day Term 2
25 July	first day Term 3

Masks for visitors

Encouraged if indoors, but not enforced.

Calf Club Day

We have had lots of questions about Calf Club Day. We can now confirm that Calf Club Day 2022 will be held on Thursday 20 October.

Board of Trustees

If interested in running for the board, or just wanting to know more, please email Becks on bot@matarau.school.nz

Whittaker's

Whittaker Chocolate fundraising is under way. Anyone wanting more chocolates to sell or if you have swaps please contact Lisa Ryan, email Matarau.psg@gmail.com or FB. Second order being processed early next week.

Headlice

Let's stay on top of this. Please check your children's hair weekly and respond promptly in the event of infestation.

Drop off in the morning

If you can use the bottom bus bay for drop off please do. If using the upper carpark, please remember that the yellow area is for drop off only. Please move on after drop off as quickly as you **safely** can. Carpark spaces are usually available if you need to connect with someone. Please do not park in the yellow zone. **We also love it when parents with older children pick their children up at 3:15'ish rather than 3:00.**

Whanau Group Facebook Page

This page is a great place to go to share ideas and ask questions, and so feel free to make a visit any time and to engage with other whanau. Some years back (pre-covid) we had a whanau support groups which met

periodically to chat about whatever was relevant at the time, and to support in promoting issues of special interest to Maori whanau. If you would like us to get this group up and going again, and you think you would be able to come along and get involved, please flick us an email admin@matarau.school.nz or drop by the office.

Consultation on the Health Curriculum

The school is required to consult periodically on the delivery of the health curriculum (and we are overdue). Below are the topics we cover on a two yearly cycle (in depth), and on-going. The virtues and Physical Education programmes (fitness, skills and games) are also integrated with health programmes. Frequently external agents are engaged to deliver parts of the programme (e.g, The Life Ed Trust, Police Education Service, Sports Codes facilitators etc). Feel free to make an appointment with Kevin if you would like to discuss any aspect of the health curriculum.

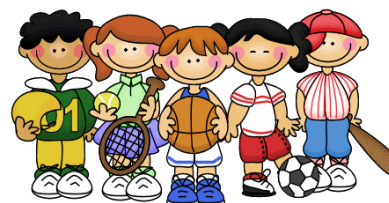
We do expect new health guidelines/ resources in the next year or two and will consult down the track on these. While these topics are "required" we do have some flexibilities and so your ideas are welcome.

<p>HEALTH TOPICS</p> <p>Self Esteem Interpersonal Skills (resolving conflict) Helping Agencies Y 7&8 Puberty Change</p>	<p>Hygiene / caring for the body Nutrition / staying healthy Safe practices / Keeping safe Y 7&8 Puberty Change</p>
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Player of the day

Basketball

Matarau Minis Grayson P.
 Matarau Crushers Nikau, Cooper, and Flynn
 Shout out and thank you to Cian, Tate and Emma for stepping in and playing a 2nd or 3rd game in a row to help our teams that were short.



Netball

Stars Samara W.

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, perhaps you could reinforce the critical importance of caring for our environment, and that even small things, added together, can make a huge difference.



A chance for children to win some house points!!!!

From next week children with close to zero plastic lunchbox wrappings will be eligible to win house points. So from next week children with a lunchbox with no, or a single plastic wrapping, are eligible for 10 house points each day. We suggest that children pack their own lunches where possible so they feel like they are real conservationists. This is a ROOM 4 technology project and room 4 will monitor and report on outcomes.

While room 4 is hoping for a full team (whole school) approach to this, children's participation is entirely optional.

Congratulations to ALL students who are doing their bit with their Zero Plastic lunchboxes!!!

Week 5 class winners:

1st 92% Room 4
2nd 60% Room 2
3rd 48% Rooms 3, 6 and 7

Parent Support Group - AGM & elections

Will be held on **Tuesday 21st June 2022 at 7:30pm** (location to be confirmed). We'd love you to join us for a little or a lot, we have an adventure for everyone. Please RSPV to a current member (Fiona Goodin, Lisa Ryan, Nicky Slatter, Lisa Watkins, Kim Barnes, Hayley Clayton, Karen Walker, Laura Douglas, Kaella Judkins, or email matarau.psg@gmail.com. Our Mission - "To Support and Connect our School Community"

Soon to be 5 year olds we may not know about

If you have moved into zone, or know someone who has moved into zone, and you / they have a soon to be 5 year old (i.e. turning 5 before the end of the year), and the school has not been advised of this, please let us know next week. This information is important for us if we are to plan for optimal numbers in our junior rooms. Thank you.

Yummy stickers

Keep collecting 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 can be returned to Mrs. Easterbrook.



Link to order Matarau Hoodies

<https://uniformhub.co.nz/collections/matarau-school>

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

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!

Medication

For safety reasons, children should not have any medication in their bags.



If your child needs any medication during school time. Please advise the office, where they will keep safely. Thank you for your understanding

RAT tests

We have a small supply of RAT tests available at school. Please let us know if you need any tests by emailing Paula at admin@matarau.school.nz or ring to 4335823. If you are covid positive or a close contact and you need these please DO NOT come into school. We can organise to leave these in the school's mailbox for collection.

Final words

Please feel free to join us for our Matariki Day celebrations 23 June ... more to follow shortly.

Ngā Mihi

Kevin Trehella
Principal

Community notices

Accommodation wanted

I am looking for self-contained accommodation for a mum and two children from South Korea. They arrive in New Zealand in October for 4 weeks. Please ring Eric at 02102486446 or email 12waipapa@gmail.com

Local Businesses we need you! Are you interested in helping grow the future STEM workforce in this community? We are a House of Science member school, and this charity is offering a great opportunity that will help every child in this region. For \$3,000 a year you can 'Adopt' a House of Science resource kit, giving our local primary and intermediate schools the tools to deliver engaging hands-on science lessons.

But wait, there's more: every new kit sponsor that signs up before June 17th gets to nominate a school who will receive a digital microscope to keep and will go into the draw to win one of seven \$100 packs of CookieTime goodies. Our teachers and students would LOVE a digital microscope! The kit sponsor also gets to put their logo on the outside of the kit, acknowledging their commitment to supporting the local community. Each kit reaches 1,000-2,000 students a year so this is a great investment. Contact the House of Science head office today on 0508 468 724 or email info@houseofscience.nz (Note: sponsorship is tax deductible as HoS is a registered charity).

To find out more about House of Science, see <https://houseofscience.nz>

Indoor bowling

Every Wednesday night at 7:30pm all welcome (2 games) First 2 games Free / Children till 18y \$5/year - Adults 18y and up \$40/year More information you can contact Allen Agnew at 43550141 or Ben Foster at 43551570

Firewood for sale

Gum or Blackwood \$120/cube, pine \$80/cube. Can mix. Free local delivery. Ph Kevin 0211915911.



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