

Matarau School Newsletter Term 3 Week 8

Thanks

... to the parents that attend the Cambridge meeting.
... to those who ran and voted in the Board of Trustees elections.
... to the parents that supported the children on their Hundertwasser visit.

Longer ... Long Weekend

This is early notice that the Labour Weekend break will be a bit longer than usual for our students. As advised, Calf Club will be held on Thursday 20 October (toward the end of the first week of term 4) and school will also be closed on Friday 21 October for a staff development day, and then of course on Labour day - 24 October. Some people may wish to plan a slighter longer family holiday in light of this.

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

22 September Lower School Camp Parent Meeting Year 3/4

26 September Public Holiday - School closed

30 September Last day of the term

Final day of school 2022

... will be Thursday 15 December.

Fill

If you are interested in fill from our retaining wall below the adventure playground, please contact our caretaker Ian on 027-2310191.

Lower Bus Bay

We do appreciate that some parents drop off and pick up at the lower bus bay to relieve pressure in the upper carpark. Thank you!! BUT, if using the lower bus bay please be sure not to block transit of buses from this area. Buses must have priority when entering or exiting the bus bay.

ICAS Practice Papers Please return any practice papers to the office.

Netball dresses

Please return your netball dress to school if you have finished netball for the season.

School Cups

If your child received a cup at last year's prize giving, please return it to school asap.

Home Gardens

Diaries will be sent home before the end of the school term. Any questions please contact Mrs Burgin or Ms Gentil.

Sibling 2023 Enrolments

If you live in zone, or currently have a child enrolled at Matarau school, and have another child who will start in 2023, and you have not already done so, please advise the school office as soon as possible by leaving a message on the answer machine - 433 5823.

Attendance

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 this 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.

On a side note, the Ministry of Education requests that, where possible, family holidays are planned to coincide with term breaks.

Parent Support Group meeting

Tuesday 20th September 7.30pm via Zoom. Link will be on our Facebook page or alternatively you can message Fi on 027 2952726 or Lisa Ryan and we can send it to you. New faces welcome!

Art Scholarship (Year 4-8)

Maybe chat to your children about this and, if you would like the information early, just give the office a call next week. Your child's teacher would also be more than happy to discuss this with you. We have had some outstanding portfolios in years past and are keen to see this tradition continue.

CALF CLUB DAY - Thursday 20th October

Indoor Exhibits

Exhibits will be advised next week.

Animals

All Pet booklets need to be returned to the office on Thursday the 22nd September to allow time for judging.

If you are bringing a calf, please be aware that they need to have a NAIT tag.

Scholastic Book Fair

Will be held on Calf Club Day. Books will be available for purchase during this day. EFTPOS will be available.

Electronic Newsletter

If you are not on the school email-out list please email - admin@matarau.school.nz - to be added & stay up to date with what's happening at school.

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.

It's Calendar Art time again!

Students have been busy creating art work that can be made into affordable Calendars, Cards, Diaries, Mouse Mats and Sketch Pads.

Each product is made from your own child's art. These make unique Christmas gifts for family and friends and are perfect for posting overseas.

Follow these instructions to place your order online:

1. Go to www.kidsartworks.com
2. Use the Entrance Code: KZ654
3. Enter your child's room & name when prompted



The order is extended until Monday the 3rd October

Payment can be made over the website via credit card or account2account.

If you have any questions please contact the school.

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.

Player of the Day - Basketball

Minis	Luke S
Crushers	Maiki T
Magics	Harry E
Warriors	Corey H
Mavericks	Aamani & Le Arli

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 must be returned to Mrs Easterbrook before the end of term 3.

Out of Zone Applications

ALL out of zone applications, **including out of zone sibling applications**, must adhere to the application process advised in earlier newsletters and emails. The school has had a good number of out of zone enquiries and so, if a sibling (priority 2) application is **not** received by **28 September**, your child's place may be offered to another student.

Whittaker's Chocolates

Thank you to everyone that sold chocolates in our term 2 fundraiser. We ordered a total of 273 boxes (16,380 bars!) and once all funds have been collected our profit would be \$6,552. Unfortunately, we still have 31 boxes outstanding at a cost of \$1860. Yellow notices have been sent home to those outstanding, please pay these promptly. If you have chocolate left over please return ASAP as we can organise to sell at Calf Club Day.

Queries to matarau.psg@gmail.com. Thank you.

Road Safety

- Please reduce your speed when passing the school
- Maximum 5kph in the carpark and bus bay.
- 20kph passing a stationary bus
- Pick up of students from the designated spots where possible.
- Walking or supervising your children across the road at drop off & pick up
- And NO PARKING ON YELLOW ZONES.

Many thanks.



Confirmation of Secondary School

If our year 7 and 8 teachers can assist in any way with secondary school decisions, or the transition to secondary school more generally, please make contact.

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Kevin Trehwella
Principal

Community notices:

Incredible Years Parenting Programme

The programme caters for parents/caregivers of children aged 3 to 8 years, runs for 14 weeks and focusses on strengthening the relationships between parents and their children.

We are holding sessions on a Thursday at the Mangakahia Sport Complex, 9.30 am. Childcare is available and morning tea is provided. Click on the following Incredible Years website for more information <https://pb4l.tki.org.nz/Incredible-Years-Parent>

Kamo Vets are available to vaccinate, dock, castrate and drench your lambs as well as provide you with some key information regarding how to look after your new baby lambs and goat kids.

\$30 per animal - call us on 09 439 1924 to book in.

Key dates to remember:

1. 2-4 weeks old: first vaccination and dock tails (lambs) and castrate males (ram lambs and young bucks)
2. 4 weeks after first vaccination: booster vaccination and first worm drench

MAUNU TENNIS CLUB

SENIOR opening day: Sat 17 Sep 10 am, and each Sat thereafter from 1 pm

TWILIGHT tennis each Thu 5:30 pm starting Thu 29 Sep

LADIES DAY every Wed 9 am

JUNIOR COACHING: Starts Tue 18 Oct. 4-8 yrs 3:15 pm start. Others 4 pm.

Queries to Matt Trubshaw (027 478 6655) or Jill Trubshaw re juniors (021 611 522)