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# Newsletter

## Number 12

### 9 SEPTEMBER 2022



#### Thank you

... to Robin & Vic Warren for their kind donation to the school library.  
... to those awesome people running for board election

#### People of the Week

... Alena Gilberd for being 3<sup>rd</sup> at Te Horo Cross Country. Unfortunately, this was not recorded on the day. Congratulations!

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

13 September	Hundertwasser trip Room 5/6/7
14 September	Hundertwasser trip Room 1/1a/2
14 September	Cambridge meeting 3.15pm
15 September	Hundertwasser trip Room 3/4
15 September	Year 7 Camp meeting (staffroom)

#### Board election dates ( Please note that the dates have changed)

14 September	Election closes (4:00 pm)
19 September	Final day for postal votes
20 September	Results announced
21 September	New Board takes office

Voting forms have been sent home.

**VOTING CLOSSES ON THE 14<sup>th</sup> of SEPTEMBER AT 4PM**

#### 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.

#### Drink bottles

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

#### Home Gardens

Permission slips were sent home on Monday with children who have indicated they are participating. Please return as soon as possible. Diaries will be sent home before the end of the school term.

Any questions contact Mrs Burgin or Ms Gentil.

#### ICAS Practice Papers

Please return these to school next week. Thank you.

**H.M.E**

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### 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.

### 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](mailto:matarau.psg@gmail.com). 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](http://www.kidsartworks.com)
2. Use the Entrance Code: KZ654
3. Enter your child's room & name when prompted

The order is open until Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> October

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

If you have any questions please contact the school.



### COMPOST - Saturday 17th Sept.

**\$25/cube** All details including pre orders and pre-payment available on PSG website -

[www.mataraufundraising.co.nz](http://www.mataraufundraising.co.nz) or email [Matarau.psg@gmail.com](mailto:Matarau.psg@gmail.com)

### Out of Zone Applications - FINAL REMINDER

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.

### Electronic Newsletter

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



### 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.

### 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 before the end of term 3.**

### 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.

### Player of the day

**Basketball** - Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September

Minis - Oil R

Crushers - Cooper F

Magics - Beau B

Warriors/Mavericks - Tayla T



### Year 7 and 8 Cambridge Programme

At this time each year the parents of year 6 children receive printed information on our year 7 and 8 programme. This programme provides an exceptional start to secondary school and positions our students for success. 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 at 3:15 pm Wednesday 14 September** to discuss this programme with you, but are 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 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.

**If you think you will be in attendance at the meeting on 14 September please let Paula know.**



**Finally - Coaches and Managers - THANKS!**

Now might be a suitable time to reflect on the extraordinary efforts of school coaches and team managers over the past six months. Theirs is not always an easy job, and we owe much to their selfless and diligent efforts. Could you all please ask your children to convey their gratitude by a personal approach, a phone call, an email, a letter or a thank you card. These people are special!

Nga mihi,

Kevin Trehwella  
Principal



The poster is for Comrie Park Kindergarten. At the top, the name 'Comrie Park' is written in a large, black, sans-serif font. Below it, a green banner contains the text 'Nga Kākano Apōpō - The Seeds of Tomorrow' and 'KINDERGARTEN'. The main heading 'ENROL NOW!' is in large, bold, black letters, followed by 'OR JOIN OUR WAITLIST' in smaller black letters. To the left of the text is a circular orange badge with 'FOR 2023' in white. To the right is the NKA logo with the tagline 'We Are Kindergarten' and a small black bird illustration. Below this, the text '2-6 YEAR OLDS' is in large, orange, stylized letters, followed by 'FEES FREE FOR ALL CHILDREN ALL YEAR!' in white and '100% Qualified Kaiako' in orange script. The bottom half of the poster features a photograph of three children playing on a yellow seesaw in a grassy area. At the very bottom, contact information is provided in white text on a blue background: '(09) 433 5045 / 021 293 2653', '109 Matarau Road, Matarau', 'comriepark@nka.org.nz', and 'www.nka.org.nz'.

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