Matarau School Newsletter Term 4 Week 6

<u>People of the week</u>

... Every child who entered exhibits in our 2022 Celebration of Art

<u>Thank you</u>



<u>Term calendar</u>	More to follow as dates come to hand
28 Nov	Y5/6 Speech Competition
29 Nov	School Swimming Sports Y4-8
30 Nov	WPSSA Athletics Y5 & 6
6 Dec	Parent Helpers Morning Tea
13 Dec	End of year Prize Giving (6:30 pm)
15 Dec	Final day of school (finish 12:00 pm)
Start of 2023	Tuesday the 7 th of February



<u>Year 8 Students</u>

Leaving books are due back at school by 28 November

REMINDER ... High School Orientation days

Kamo High School Friday 2 December

Whangarei Girls High School No orientation day this year

Parents need to transport their own child(ren).

Parent Helpers' Morning Tea

Parents who have assisted the school in any way whatsoever this year are invited to a Parent Helpers' Morning Tea in the school hall starting <u>10:30 am Tuesday 6 December.</u> This is our chance to say thank you for the contributions you have made to the school over 2022. It is also a chance to thank and farewell departing staff. So .. whether you have helped in classrooms, the library, camps, day trips,.. whatever .. please join us if you can by letting the office ladies now

<u>Scholastic</u>

The new Lucky Book Club folder is out. You can place your order online or return your order form with payment to the office before 12⁺ December.



School Buses

Please see our facebook page for any updates on route times. Until you have heard further, please assume buses will run to the same times as this week.

We have been reassured that Ritchies are actively seeking additional drivers and will keep you posted. Resumption of our customary routes will remain our ultimate goal.

Thank you for your patience as we sort this.

CELEBRATION OF ART 2022

Sadly, it is time to dismantle our 2022 art exhibition to clear the school hall for other activities.

If your child(ren) submitted portfolios, could you please arrange to pick these up this afternoon, or on Monday, or later by arrangement with the school office.

We would like to thank all of those children who submitted art portfolios to our 2022 Art Competition, and all of those people who visited to view the artworks.

Thank you for your support. You can feel VERY VERY proud of your children.



<u>Colour Run – Tuesday 14th December</u>

The cost of this event is \$10 per participant, which needs to be paid BEFORE the date of the <u>9th of December</u>. The cost will cover the powdered paint for your child, as well as a great experience of completing a selection of obstacles course activities ranging from waterslides, crawling under nets, dodging water pistols and amainteened the provide the powdered paint of the powdered paint of the powdered paint for your child, as well as a great experience of completing a selection of obstacles course activities ranging from waterslides, crawling under nets, dodging water pistols and amainteened the powdered paint of the powdered paint for your child as a great experience of completing a selection of obstacles course activities ranging from waterslides, crawling under nets, dodging water pistols and provide the powdered paint for your child as the p

etc.!

sprinklers, throwing items at a target

Each class will rotate through the obstacle course and will remain in their class 'bubble'. Non-participants will be watching their class complete the obstacle course from the grass bank.

Payment can be made via the internet or cash to the school office. School account: 12-3093-0239515-00 / Reference (your child's name and the word 'colour')

Students are to wear an old WHITE shirt (or light coloured



one) and old shorts. These clothing items will most likely come home covered with powdered paint, so please don't allow your child to wear good or new clothes. Students are to bring a change of clothes and a bag to transport 'coloured' clothes home in. The School has limited supply of safety goggles. If you have swimming goggles, or safety glasses, please send them on the day with your child.

Digital Devices 2023 - year 5 and up (NOT REQUIRED AT YEAR 4 IN 2023)

We prefer laptops and chrome books, as these fill our device needs better than an iPad, but whatever your child has we will work with. Parents should feel under no pressure to purchase devices for their children ... this is your call ... we will do our best to provide as many shared (non take home devices) as we can.

We will continue to ensure that time on devices is not overdone, there will always be plenty of time for learning and interacting in a variety of ways.

Junior Readers

Please check at home (under beds, behind book cases etc) for junior readers and send these along to school next week. It is important that we have complete sets for 2023.

Lost Property

Please drop by to check the lost property bin sometime over the next couple of weeks. Items unclaimed by term's end will be donated to charities.



Early Pick up of students

Please keep early pick-up of children to a minimum. We are happy to oblige when these are necessary, but students are required to complete their weekly allotment of hours where possible. If a child needs to leave early please report to the office first to sign them out. Thank you for your cooperation.



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

Honey \$12 per pot

Produced with love and care by the children and staff in years 3 and 4

Funds raised will go to our environmental programme.

So stock up while stocks last!

Finally

See some of you at swimming sports!

Kevin Trewhella Principal



Cetaphil Sunblock

We are pleased to advise that David's Pharmacy is offering a special deal to our parents on "Cetaphil Sun Kids" long-lasting sunscreen. This is suitable for sensitive skin, lasts most of the day, and is 4 hours water resistant.

David is offering this to Matarau families at 25% off ... just say your children attend Matarau School



Community notices

<u>Netsafe</u>

If you are purchasing a BYOD for your child next year. This link from Netsafe provides some information for parents <u>https://netsafe.org.nz/byod/</u> that might be useful for you.

<u>Te Horo School Gala</u>

Due to heavy rain here in Pipiwai and the forecast for showers tomorrow, our Te Horo School Gala scheduled for Saturday 12 November has been postponed to Saturday 3 December.





Be in to win!

The opportunity to professionally record a Christmas song with Nathan King 💥

The grand prize

Professionally record a Christmas song with Nathan King, return flights to Auckland for two (if you live outside of Auckland), hotel accommodation for one night and a studio tour.

To enter

Must be under 13 years old. Email yourself singing a Christmas carol to christmas@newstalkzb.co.nz before entries close 12 December.

Listen to Newstalk ZB on Christmas morning at 6am to find out if you've won!

<u>Garage Sale</u>

Alzheimers Northland will be holding a Garage Sale on Saturday 26 November from 8am to 11:30am at 112 Corks Road, Tikipunga, Whangarei