

## Matarau School Newsletter Term 4 Week 6

### People of the week

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

### Thank you



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

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| 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<sup>th</sup> of February



### Year 8 Students

- Leaving books are due back at school by 28 November



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.



### **Colour Run - Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

The cost of this event is \$10 per participant, which needs to be paid BEFORE the date of the **9<sup>th</sup> of December**. 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 sprinklers, throwing items at a target

etc.!

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**

#### **Netsafe**

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

#### **Te Horo School Gala**

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.





Newstalk  
ZB

# 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](mailto: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!

## Garage Sale

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