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Thank You

... To those supporting Quiz night .. and to the awesome organizers of this event

... Our coaches!

People Of The Week

... Our School Librarians. These students give up their lunchtimes each week and put so much effort into their role. They have been consistently doing this since the start of Term 2. Well Done!

Term Calendar ... *More to follow as dates come to hand*

7 September PSG Quiz Night

17 September Board Meeting

23 September School Production (some time this week)

27 September Final day of term (14 October - start of term 4)

***Please don't forget to check the School App.
There are frequently permission slips and notices posted.***

Olympic Reading Challenge

Please continue to ask your children about this and praise them for any gains. The challenge finishes at the end of August (or maybe a little later) ... and shortly after that the medals will be awarded. We will keep you posted.

Final virtue for term 3 - Patience

We are excited to announce our new virtue for the second half of term 3. A few thoughts on PATIENCE follow at the end of the newsletter

Please take regular opportunities...

... discuss this at home

... talk about how you practise patience in your life

... help your child set some patience goals for home

... celebrate any successes

... let us know of exceptional examples of patience so that we can celebrate these together.

Home Gardens - Permission slips completed by the 13th of September

Permission slips are published on the Caregiver App. Please complete to indicate if your child will be participating in the home garden programme this year.

Please discuss this possibility with them and encourage them to become involved. Diaries will be sent home before the end of the school term. Any questions contact Mrs Burgin or Ms Gentil.

Out of Zone Places ... for 2025

... will likely be advertised in the Northern Advocate Saturday 14 September. Please pass this information to anyone you think might be interested.



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Quiz Night 2024 - 7th of September 2024

We are thrilled to announce that all tables to our Quiz Night have now been sold! Thank you so much to everyone who purchased a table/ tickets. Additional Pizza's can still be purchased via our website: <https://mataraufundraising.co.nz>

And if you are in need of transport, we can also help. End of night rides for \$5 or return trip for \$10. Transport Bookings are essential!

Donation Request: Are you able to pop a bag of yummy M treats for our quizzers into the shopping trolley at the school office? We are looking for any wrapped goodies starting with M. Thank you so much!

Calf Club Day - Thursday 24th October

If your child wishes to bring in an animal to Calf Club please follow this link to complete the online form.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSevnw7LdwReRK550mdl2NJ8vKOey8tq0EITJ_8QhG7Z6sXfQ/viewform

Any questions please email Miranda admin2@matarau.school.nz

** PLEASE NOTE We can't accept entries on the day itself.*

Reminders

... Calf Club Thursday 24 October

... **Headlice** ... conduct regular checks please, treat within 48 hours.

... **Safe transit in the carpark** ... under 5 km please, keep an eye on your children, take the hands of younger children, and never park in the yellow zone. Thank you for your co-operation.

... **Year 8's - Secondary School 2025**... please advise Mrs Donaldson of likely secondary school for 2025 so that we can keep you updated.

... **Chicken pox** ... Further information on chickenpox can be found here ... <https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/chickenpox>

... **Arrival time at school** not before 8:00 am please or later than 8:50 am.

... **School gates** ... please ensure these are closed after entry or exit.

... **Art Scholarship** ... any questions to your child's teacher please.

Planning Family Holidays

We know that it not always possible to do so, but the Ministry of Education has asked all schools to remind parents that family holidays should be booked during term breaks where possible please. (A reminder also that children are legally required to be at school a specified number of hours (9:00 to 3:00) each day unless an exemption has been granted).

Sibling 2025 Enrolments

If you live in zone, or currently have a child enrolled at Matarau School, and have another child who will start in 2025, 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.**

If you live out of zone, we would also like to hear if you have siblings you would like to enrol - although the board has yet to determine how many out of zone places might be available.

This information is critical if we are to achieve optimal class numbers across the school.

Player of the day - Netball

Pukeko Team:

Week 1 - Quin Postlewaight

Week 3 - Sasha Knight

Week 4 - Isla Maisuriya

Week 5 - Quin Postlewaight

Fantail Team

Week 4 - Katherine Reiher

Week 5 - Amalia Hack

Early Notice - Staff Only Day ... 14.11

The Ministry of Education have awarded schools a specific number of Staff Only Days to prepare for the implementation of the new curriculum. The final Staff Only Day for 2024 will be Thursday 14

November ... accordingly, school will not be open for instruction on that day. We apologise in advance for any inconvenience arising from this day. (We would have liked to attach it to a weekend to give you the option of a long weekend but 14.11 was when the facilitator was available).



Better Start Literacy Workshop

Last week the Junior team had the privilege of hosting a Structured Literacy Whānau workshop. (Better Start Literacy Approach). We were blown away with the number of parents who attended. The team was extremely grateful to be able to share their knowledge around this explicit literacy programme that their child is experiencing here in the junior school. The afternoon was enjoyed by whānau, Comrie Park kindergarten staff, and our teaching team. It was a lovely way to connect, share information, and understand the importance of a shared learning journey between home and 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.



Finally

Best wishes to our AIMS team for next week ... travel safely, do your best, have plenty of fun.

Nga mihi

Kevin Trehwella
PRINCIPAL

These amazing girls, Zoe & Anaia are picking up rubbish around the school during lunchtime. Thank you girls, good job!



FUEL FOR SCHOOLS

The Board would like to thank

Grimmer Contracting Ltd, Adairs Farming Limited, Alisha Tracey and Bevan Grant Harper DS and KL Campbell Partnershipfor nominating Matarau School as a recipient for Fuel for Schools reward points. This generous support helps us to buy additional learning resources. If you are in a position to use these companies please do so in acknowledgment of their generous support.

If you think you might be interested in nominating Matarau School as a recipient of Fuel for Schools points please contact your fuel rep.

EDUCARE
After School Care – Van Run

Hurupaki Educare has a van run from Matarau School to Hurupaki Primary School offering after school care services to Matarau Parents.

The van has 10 seats/safety belts (including the driver). We have a few vacancies at the moment if any parents are interested in using this service.

Your child/ren will need to be formally enrolled with Hurupaki Educare before they start. The link is as follows:

<https://enrolmy.com/hurupaki-educare-limited>

For further information please email:

info@schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz or contact Christin 0274821331.

Parent Webinar September 2024

Copy and paste this content into your newsletter or online communications and invite your school community to participate in this free webinar ahead of the school holidays.

With school holidays right around the corner, it's a great time to consider how you can support your children to maintain a healthy balance between their online and offline time. Netsafe is here to support you with a free presentation for parents

focused on Wellbeing & Balance. This presentation is designed for parents of both tamariki and rangatahi. The Netsafe Education team will share practical tips, tools, and advice on managing screen time, supporting your child's online wellbeing and what to do if your child encounters

online harm. You can register for this free webinar by following this link:
https://netsafe-org-nz.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_qqDubqaqT2y5Gmw4uJEONw

Te Manawa Tahī

If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional wellbeing, or behaviour, Te Manawa Tahī have specialists available so you can discuss your concerns directly with them.

This is a free service and each site will be identified by a Te Manawa Tahī sign or flag. Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning 0800 524 842 or emailing TT.Support@education.govt.nz.



Te Manawa Tahī Community Timetable



WHANGĀREI

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All hubs are open from 9:00am until 12:00pm unless otherwise stated.

Date	Hub Locations	Term 4 2024, Weeks 6 to 10
Wednesday 20 Nov	Bream Bay Community Trust (10.00 am to 12.30 pm) 9 Takutai Place, Ruakākā	
Thursday 21 Nov	Te Kura o Otangarei School , William Jones Drive, Otangarei	
Thursday 28 Nov	Children's Lighthouse Playgroup , 20 George Street, Hikurangi	
Wednesday 4 Dec	St John Ōtamatea Ambulance Hall 172 Hurndall Street East, Maungaturoto	
Thursday 5 Dec	Ministry of Education , 24 Kaka St, Morningside	
Wednesday 11 Dec	Whānau Focus Centre , 61 Victoria Street, Dargaville	



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Date	Hub Locations	Term 4 2024, Weeks 1 to 5
Thursday 17 Oct	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo	
Wednesday 23 Oct	Bream Bay Community Trust, 9 Takutai Place, Ruakākā	
Thursday 24 Oct	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka St, Morningside	
Thursday 31 Oct	Onerahi Community House, 130 Onerahi Road, Onerahi	
Wednesday 6 Nov	Whānau Focus Centre, 61 Victoria Street, Dargaville	
Thursday 7 Nov	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka St, Morningside	
Wednesday 13 Nov	Ministry of Education, 24 Kaka St, Morningside	