



Expanding Horizons

# NEWSLETTER

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*"Inspiring creativity, self-esteem and a love of learning  
within a caring family community"*

## Max's Message

You will be aware by now that we have launched our *new-look* website. Whilst it is still in its development stage (we have additional information to feature on the site and some refinements to make), it has certainly been positively received. One of the newest elements has been to introduce class "blogs." We have however, decided to call these blogs "WINDOWS" because in one sense the students are looking out beyond the classroom and connecting with the wider, global community, and you, as part of this community are looking in to see what and how the students are learning. Having the students engage with technology in this way serves a number of purposes. Possibly the most obvious is that they have the opportunity to share what is currently happening in their classrooms by showcasing their learning for an audience that extends across the globe. Additionally, knowing that what they present will be viewed by others, means that they need to be conscious of how and what they communicate – they need to review, refine, reflect and conduct themselves responsibly. And what a wonderful way for them to demonstrate and celebrate their understanding of what they learn in a wide range of contexts. Clearly we as a staff have a key role to play in supporting, guiding and facilitating the development of the "Windows" with the students, but what an exciting way to collaborate on learning. So if you haven't ventured into the "Blog" zone and opened a "window" make it a priority. I'm sure you'll find the visit refreshing.

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### **TERM 2 2014      Dates for your Diary**

HPV Girls vaccination	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May
Year 7 Boostrix education session	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May
Small Schools X Country Years 4-8	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
Tall Poppies Cross Country, Whakamarama School	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June (postponement date – Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June)
ICAS Science	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June
Young Leaders Rotorua Year 7 & 8	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June
LIFE EDUCATION	Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> – Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> June
ICAS Writing	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> June
WBOP Cross Country, Waipuna Park	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June (postponement date – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June)
Junior X Country Years 0 -3	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June
BOP Cross Country, Opotiki	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July – (postponement date – Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July)

## **TERM 2 2014 PARENT PRESENTATIONS/MEETINGS**

Set aside the following dates/times:

**WEEK 5 - THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> JUNE:** Student-Led Conferences (TWO OPTIONS)

An opportunity to learn more about the rationale for having Student-Led Conferences and your roles and responsibilities as parents

a) SESSION 1: 2.00pm OR b) SESSION 2: 5.30pm

**WEEK 7 – TUESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> JUNE 5.30pm YEAR 6 PARENTS** – Students transitioning to 7 in 2015

Come and learn about what our Year 7/8 programme offers your child.

**WEEK 9: MON,TUES,WED,THURS OPTIONAL REPORT MEETINGS**

Following the issue of reports *parents may, if they wish*, arrange a time to meet with a teacher to discuss any aspect of the report.

Please arrange a time with your child's teacher.

## **CLASS CERTIFICATE AWARDS**

Congratulations to our certificate recipients from last week:

Back row from left: Taj Uttinger, Anthony Gray

Front row from left: Bridget McGirr, Courtney Gordon, Phoebe Robertson, Stephanie Waghorn, Macy Muir and Maia Harvey



**CONGRATULATIONS TO MIAH MCDONALD  
FOR RECEIVING OUR VALUES AWARD  
FOR EMPATHY**

**OUR FOCUS VALUE THIS WEEK IS SELF DISCIPLINE**  
(Affirmation: I am able to control my own feelings and behaviour.)

## **Parent Committee News**

Please note there will be a Parent Committee Meeting on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May in the school staffroom commencing at 7 pm.

### **KINDLING FUNDRAISER**

Our Parent Committee are selling bags of kindling wood here at school. They are \$10 per bag and can be purchased direct from the school office.

## **2015 TERM DATES**

The BOT ratified, and voted unanimously on the following term dates for 2015.

- Term 1 : Tuesday 27 January - Thursday 2 April  
Term 2 : Tuesday 28 April - Friday 3 July  
Term 3 : Monday 20 July - Friday 18 September  
Term 4 : Monday 12 October - Friday 18 December

### **BASKETBALL:**

Please ensure all players bring along suitable footwear on practice days.

Previous games results:

#### **Matahui Magic WON 29 ; 6**

A message from the coach: "It was brilliant. Everyone gave it 110% and focused on our main points: rebounds, marking, and running!

At half time we were leading 17:4. The next quarter pushed it up to 21:6, and the final quarter pushed it out to 29:6. The team really enjoyed it and saw the value of getting the rebounds.

Congratulations to every single player.

#### **Matahui Sharks won 10-0.**

### **BASKETBALL DRAW UPDATE:**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Years 5 and 6 Mixed C – Matahui Sharks v GP Diamonds at 5 pm Court 3

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> - Years 7 and 8 Boys D – Matahui Magic v Mt Bulls at 5.50 pm Court 9



## **PAST PUPIL SUCCESS**

Well done to Tanner Hayes and Cam Hankins who ran successfully this week in the Katikati College Cross Country. Tanner placed first and Cam placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the Junior Boys event.



Alfresco dining at Matahui means enjoying being surrounded by Autumn colours whilst eating lunch.

## **MATAHUI SCHOOL WEBSITE**

A reminder to let all parents and caregivers know that the new-look school website is up and running if you care to have a look. While there are aspects still to be developed and some additional refinements to make we encourage you all to visit the site on a regular basis especially to open the “blog” section which will give you a view of learning in action.

## **COLGATE CARTON RACE**

Once again our school is competing to win a share of \$60,000 worth of new sports gear! It's part of a campaign called the Awesome Carton Race, and the winning schools simply have to collect the most Colgate toothpaste cartons per pupil. So we're asking everyone we know to raid your bathrooms, check your recycling bins, ask your friends, family even neighbours – every carton counts, so please do whatever you can to help us win.

## **DULUX – PAINT FOR SCHOOLS PROJECT**

Dulux are introducing a ‘A Paint for Schools Project’ – details listed below:-

*‘For every 8 litres or more of Dulux paint bought between April 7<sup>th</sup> and May 31<sup>st</sup>, Dulux will donate 1 litre of paint to a New Zealand school. Parents and caregivers just need to staple their receipts to the Dulux Paint for schools entry card, which they will receive when they buy their paint and get their kids to drop them off to their teacher.’*

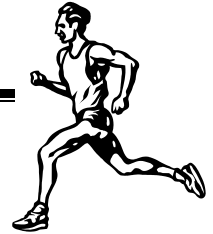
If you do buy some Dulux paint within this time frame please send your receipt into the school office.

## **AMAZING RACE CHALLENGE RESULTS**

Well done to our two teams that took part in yesterday's Amazing Race held across the Mount Camping Ground, Pilot Bay and the main Mount beach. Participants were sent on a quest that included, problem solving, clue & fact finding, team work, mental and physical agility. Special congratulations to our Year 7 & 8 team who placed 1<sup>st</sup> and our Year 5 & 6 team who placed 3<sup>rd</sup>!!!!

Thank you to Phil Magnussen & who transported and supervised our teams.

**SMALL SCHOOLS AND TALL POPPIES – YEARS 4 – 8 CROSS  
COUNTRY TUESDAY 3 JUNE 2014**



**POSTPONEMENT/CANCELLATION**

Listen to Classic Hits 95 BOP FM after the 7.00am News for notification of postponement/cancellation if needed or check the school's answer phone message. Our back up day this year is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June . As you know, it can be chilly in the Whakamarama 'mountains' so please ensure students bring **warm clothes** especially to put on after they have raced. It would also be a good idea for each school to bring **ground cover** if possible.

**The following times are approximate times only**

10.00am	<u>Schools are assembled in field ready to walk the course.</u> Return to allocated areas. Year 4 students begin warming up.	
10.30am	<u>Races Begin</u>	<u>Warming up</u>
10.30am	Race 1 Year 4 Boys	Year 4 Girls
10.40am	Race 2 Year 4 Girls	Year 5 Boys
10.50am	Race 3 Year 5 Boys	Year 5 Girls
11.00am	Race 4 Year 5 Girls	Year 6 Boys
11.10am	Race 5 Year 6 Boys	Year 6 Girls
11.20am	Race 6 Year 6 Girls	Year 7 Boys
11.45am	<u>Walk Course Years 7&amp;8</u>	
12.00pm	Race 7 Year 7 Boys	Year 7 Girls
12.10pm	Race 7 Year 7 Girls	Year 8 Boys
12.20pm	Race 8 Year 8 Boys	Year 8 Girls
12.40pm	Race 8 Year 8 Girls	

**PRIZE GIVING 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> places FINISH at approximately 1.00pm**  
Food will be on sale on the day. Soup, drinks and a variety of food will be available.

**\*\* NO DOGS ALLOWED \*\***

Please make travel arrangements (carpooling is a great idea) for your Year 4, 5 & 6 students directly to and from Whakamarama School. Please speak with your child's teacher or Julie if you need assistance with transport.

Children must arrive by 9.45am in time to walk the course at 10am and return to school about 1pm.

***Matahui Rd School children to wear navy polo or T shirt,  
navy or black running shorts and suitable footwear.***

Students in Year 7 & 8 need to come to school in the morning and will be transported up to Whakamarama school at 11am.

Please note that Rooms 3 & 5 will be operating a normal school program in the afternoon. Room 6 will be operating normal school program in the morning.

We require some parent help with supervision & record keeping. Please speak with your child's teacher if you can lend a hand.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### NORTH SHORE YOUTH CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA

The North Shore Youth Choir and the North Shore Youth Orchestra will be performing a concert at St Paul's Church, Katikati at 4 pm on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May. It is free entry and all are welcome.


### AUDITIONS

Auditions for creative kids; singers, dancers, musicians and artists! All attending will get a McDonalds awards voucher with a healthy food option! There are roles for everybody, auditions help to see which suits you best. 31st May @ 11.00 am held at Arataki Community Centre Bayfair. Please phone 575 2911 or email [dance.amanda@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:dance.amanda@vodafone.co.nz). Find Flower Fairy Musical on Facebook and like thanks. Also Creativity workshop on 24th May 1 - 3 pm Arataki Community Centre; all creative people welcome.

Trained in American Jazz Dance, American NZ Association Modern Dance & LA Danceforce

## Dance Workshops

Class run by  
**Continuum Dance**  
Turn technique and leap preparation  
Leap preparation workshop  
31<sup>st</sup> May @ Arataki Community Centre 1 - 3  
\$26 per person or \$20 for 'Flower Fairy Musical' cast



CONTINUUM DANCE

Ph 575 2911 / [dance.amanda@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:dance.amanda@vodafone.co.nz)  
Classes have good warmups and fitness structure.  
Learn a fun combination in Jazz/contemporary/hip hop  
**JOIN IN THE FUN!**

on [Facebook](#) & learn more!

## KIDS

Gain stage experience  
and develop your artistic skills with the  
**'Flower Fairy Musical'**  
Presented by  
**Continuum Dance & Celeste Enterprises**



If you're an **artist, dancer, singer, musician**, bring your skills!  
**AUDITIONS ON 31<sup>st</sup> May @ Arataki Community Centre.**  
00Zambuk Way, Bayfair starting 11.00 am. Be part of the fun!  
**Better yourself** with this musical set to rock the stage in **Spring 2014**  
All ages/levels, boys/girls welcome!!  
Ph 575 2911 or email [dance.amanda@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:dance.amanda@vodafone.co.nz)  
Find and [Like](#) **'Flower Fairy Musical'** on [Facebook](#) and learn more!

**Timetable**  
Dancers: 11.00 am - learn a fun routine  
Musicians/Singers: 11.35 am - perform your best song  
Artists: 11.35 am - bring a piece of your most creative art  
(Includes registration and short interview)  
**SCHOLARSHIP AVAIL!**

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### CREATIVITY WORKSHOPS

To inspire the artist  
within and to boost  
creativity in all arts

**SATURDAY 24TH MAY**  
**1 - 3 NOON @ ARATAKI**  
**COMMUNITY CENTRE**  
**\$26.00 OR \$20.00 FOR CAST OF**  
**"Flower Fairy Musical"**

Learn how to release blocks in your creativity; to become a  
better artist/dancer/musician/singer/creator  
**ALL AGES!!**

Amanda J Sloan  
PRINCIPAL DIRECTOR  
**'Flower Fairy Musical'**  
"Teaching children to look after the environment and each other.  
Plus improve their creativity; art, music and dance (musical  
theatre) skills."  
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CONTINUUM DANCE NZ Association of Modern Dance,  
American Jazz Dance, American & LA Danceforce trained teacher.



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### Extra Acting Workshop for Adults (Beginners)

Our upcoming acting workshop for adult beginners has proven so popular that we are adding an extra workshop to run on the 14th of June, 2014. Are you interested in attending an acting workshop for adult beginners?

Following is information on our upcoming day workshop for adults. Enrollments close on Wednesday the 28th of May:

#### Workshop Info:

Date: Saturday, 14 June 2014: Time: 10am – 3pm: **Cost:** \$25 (this has been subsidised from our usual \$60 fee).

Please note that you must register to attend this workshop. See details below.

**Tutor:** Devon Williamson, Director of Detour Theatre. Devon is a professional playwright, director and theatre tutor with 20 years of theatre experience. He is employed by the Detour Theatre Trust.

#### About the workshop:

The workshop is for adults (18 years plus) who would like to give acting a go and have little or no previous experience or training. Topics that will be covered include an introduction to: stage craft, playing a character, working with a script, and auditions. The workshop is run with the expectation that the participant has little or no prior knowledge, or experience, on stage.

Our adult beginners workshops are a great deal of fun in a relaxed and encouraging environment. This is a great class for those wanting to give acting a go.

If you have any questions please do contact the theatre at: [info@detour.co.nz](mailto:info@detour.co.nz)

To secure your spot, please email us the enrollment information below:

First Name: Surname: Home Phone: Mobile Phone: Email Address: Postal Address: Postcode:

Also please note that the enrollments for this workshop close on Wednesday the 28th of May and that numbers are limited. Enroll now. Contact Details: **Detour Theatre Contact details...** Phone: (07) 5710752 Email: [info@detour.co.nz](mailto:info@detour.co.nz)  
Web: [www.detour.co.nz](http://www.detour.co.nz)