



Expanding Horizons

# NEWSLETTER

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

## Max's Message

According to Henry Ford, [“Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.”](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/keywords/working_together.html#M6LEzzMGemb1d3iS.99)

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There is a strong sense of community at Matahui School and many instances that serve to highlight this. Most recently our two *Amazing Race* teams (Year 7/8 group - Miah, Abby, Max, Harry, Ella, and Olympia; Year 5/6 group – Rory, Kayla, Jay, Danielle, Grace and Freya) displayed precisely what Henry Ford expressed. We extend our congratulations to both teams who acquitted themselves with such high distinction. Out of 42 teams the Year 7/8 came first in their division, and the Year 5/6 team, third. Our last “working bee” brought people together, both adults and children, all focused on the common goal – to maintain and enhance our wonderful environment. The positive impact of parents and caregivers during Boat Day cannot be understated in terms of the contribution they made to make the event such a success for the students. Clearly Ford’s sentiment resonates in the context of parental support and involvement in the school. Without the continued support, co-operation and commitment of the community, we would indeed find it difficult if not impossible to move from, “coming together,” to “working together to succeed.” This leads me to our Parent Committee. Tracy Bourgeois has made the decision to resign from her post as Chairperson of the committee owing to an increase in other commitments. On behalf of the entire school community we want to thank her and acknowledge the time, effort, energy and selfless contribution she has given to the school. Tracy has always been a proactive supporter of Matahui and sought to lead the committee in finding ways to provide additional resources for our students. We appreciate and value what you have accomplished Tracy. As a consequence of her departure from the committee, the rest of the Committee will be keen to have someone else join the team. I would urge you to consider joining them. The role they fulfill as a group is integral in providing another positive parent link in our community through focusing on fundraising, friendship and fun. Remember, [“Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.”](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/keywords/working_together.html#M6LEzzMGemb1d3iS.99)

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Max

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

Small Schools X Country Years 4-8

Tall Poppies Cross Country,

Whakamarama School

ICAS Science

Young Leaders Rotorua Year 7 & 8

LIFE EDUCATION

ICAS Writing

WBOP Cross Country, Waipuna Park

Junior X Country Years 0 -3

BOP Cross Country, Opotiki

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

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(postponement date – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June)

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June

Tues 10<sup>th</sup> – Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> June

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June (postponement date  
– Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June)

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June

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 in Week 8 *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: Grace, Danielle and Caitlin

Front row from left: Fern, Harrison, Matilda, Rose and Connor



**CONGRATULATIONS TO ROSE BRUNING  
FOR RECEIVING OUR VALUES AWARD  
FOR SELF DISCIPLINE**

**OUR FOCUS VALUE THIS WEEK IS COURTESY.**  
(Affirmation: I am polite to people and behave with good manners.)

**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

**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.

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB**

Issue 4 of the book club catalogues have been issued to all pupils. If you would like to purchase any books please return your order and payment by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2014 so that we can process the orders. Thank you.

**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**

Unfortunately two Entertainment books were returned to the office, but not in the envelopes in which they were sent, therefore we do not know to whom they belonged. If you sent back your book within the last three weeks would you kindly phone the office to advise us so that we can credit your account. Many thanks.

## **BASKETBALL:**

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



### **Years 5 and 6 team:**

A hard game for the new team and a hard introduction to the level of competition they will face this year. Good effort all around, so keep it up and we can look forward to more wins like our first game this season!

### **Years 7 and 8 team:**

Wow! I mean Wow! Leading 25:4 at half time! Final score 47:8! The team were in shock! Fantastic effort by everyone. Once again the players focused on: jumping for the rebounds, marking up, running all the time. Amazing. I was so proud of the entire team. You all deserved the scoreline! From Phillip Magnussen

## **BASKETBALL DRAW UPDATE:**

Friday 30<sup>TH</sup> May - Years 5 and 6 Mixed C – Matahui Sharks v GSS Dribblers at 7.30 pm  
Court 6

## **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.

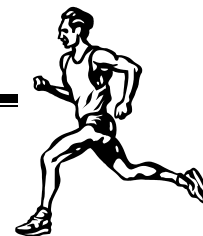
## **PARENT COFFEE MORNING**

There will be a coffee morning to be held at the school at 9 am on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June. All welcome – invitation to be sent home shortly.

## **SAUSAGE SIZZLE BY ROOM 6**

Following the Friday assembly in week five, a delicious hot high quality sausage wrapped in bread with sauce will be available from the Barbecue just at the bottom of the ramp to the hub. Sausages will be \$2 each and all profits will be going toward supporting school camps or school related projects. We would appreciate pre-orders to Julie/Gail so we know numbers. Thank you.

**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</u> in field ready to walk the course. 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 , Julie or Gail 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.

**SAVE THE DATE – 6<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER - FOR OUR SPECTACULAR BIENNIAL  
MATAHUI BALL!**

The ball is a major school fundraiser and is only held every second year. It is primarily a social gathering to share a meal, dance and be merry.

Our French Skool-en Rouge theme is a celebration of culture, our Matahui School student exchange programme with Tahiti and has a cheeky Moulin Rouge twist. The dress up opportunities are endless!

Save the Date in your diary and start getting together a group of friends for a great night out. Tickets on sale next term.

(Please note the date change – earlier the floating proposed date was 30 August but the fabulous Tim Armstrong band were not available so the Ball is now all go for 6<sup>th</sup> September)



FEATURING THE TIM ARMSTRONG BAND

**SKOOLEN ROUGE**

TRUTH • BEAUTY • FREEDOM • LOVE

6TH SEPTEMBER

at

Katikati Memorial Hall

from 6pm

*Perhaps you are an artiste like Monet or Gauguin, a Tahitian princess, an escargot, a Renaissance madame, a Tahitian turtle, dance la CanCan, shimmy in Burlesque (ooh la la), escort your seductive French Prime Minister, be a Pink Panther or a French detective, grab a baguette or chew on a grenouille, be a gun toting Revolutionary (Vive la France!), an Intellectual with your sexy smoking jacket, did I say 'Ello ' Ello?', or just a complete mystery. Comme Las Francis....*

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### 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 .

### 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)

### **KATIKATI PLAYCENTRE'S QUIZ NIGHT IS BACK! SATURDAY, JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup> AT FAIRVIEW GOLF CLUB.**

*Questions cover a wide range of categories and will be easy enough out for a social team wanting a fun night out with a few more challenging questions for keen trivia buffs.*

*Meals will be available to pre-order with your ticket purchase. (Meals must be ordered by Fri 20<sup>th</sup> June).*

*Tickets \$10pp, available from Robert Harris in Katikati or Fairview Golf Club. Door sales \$15pp. Open for dining from 6pm. Quiz starts 7pm (meals must be collected prior to 7pm).*

*For any enquiries please phone Kirsten on 571 0546.*