



Expanding Horizons

NEWSLETTER

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

Max's Message

There are partnerships in business. Marriage is a partnership. The current government has established partnership schools. At Matahui School we enter into partnerships with parents/caregivers that are absolutely vital, but what does this really mean in practical terms?

At Matahui School we: *aim to provide a warm, welcoming environment for families; promote open communication with the community; foster an environment where children and adults can express their feelings and ideas; and encourage parents/caregivers to become as actively involved in their children's learning as they can.* This year, instead of producing an end of year written report, we are introducing Student-Led Conferences as part of our assessment process. As parents/caregivers you have a key and significant contribution to make by actively participating in your child's learning journey.

You should already have set aside the date scheduled for the conferences in December, at which point you will find that the atmosphere will be warm and welcoming, the communication open, ideas and feelings being expressed, and you will be positively and actively involved in learning. Your participation in the Student-Led Conferences is a wonderful and very tangible way to reflect and exhibit the partnership we deem so essential at Matahui in supporting the development of the children.

Ka kite ano

Max

TERM 2 2014 Dates for your Diary

Young Leaders Rotorua Year 7 & 8

LIFE EDUCATION

ICAS Writing

ICAS Spelling

WBOP Cross Country, Waipuna Park

Junior X Country Years 0 -3

BOP Cross Country, Opotiki

Monday 9th June

Tues 10th – Thurs 12th June

Monday 16th June

Tuesday 17th June

Wednesday 25th June (postponement date
– Friday 27th June)

Thursday 26th June

Tuesday 1st July – (postponement date –
Wednesday 2nd July

TERM 2 2014 PARENT PRESENTATIONS/MEETINGS

Set aside the following dates/times:

WEEK 5 - THURSDAY 5th 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 17th 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: Kiera, Olly, Grace, Cullum, Jessica and Amelie
Front row from left: Bradley, Troy and Maia



**CONGRATULATIONS TO MAIA HARVEY
FOR RECEIVING OUR VALUES AWARD
FOR COURTESY**

OUR FOCUS VALUE THIS WEEK IS OPTIMISM.
(Affirmation: I am always hopeful and believe that good will come of things.)

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

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 6th 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.



A short update this week as there was no basketball action on Monday due to Queen's Birthday weekend. On Friday however the year 5/6 Matahui Sharks team had a couple of hard games but they played very well. This is always a difficult time for a team as they learn new skills and how to play together. Keep it up everyone! They won the first game 10-0, lost the second game 24-0 and lost the third game 20-8.

BASKETBALL DRAW UPDATE:

Friday 6th June - Years 5 and 6 Mixed C – Matahui Sharks v Waldorf Wolves at 5.50 pm Court 2

CROSS COUNTRY

There were a number of runners from our school that came within the top 10 in their Year group. They were:

Year 8	-	Jessica	7 th
Year 7	-	Olympia	8 th
Year 7	-	Max	5 th
Year 6	-	Jay	8 th
Year 6	-	Grace	5 th
Year 5	-	Taj	8 th
Year 5	-	Kate	3 rd
Year 5	-	Maia	8 th
Year 4	-	Bridget	3 rd
Year 4	-	Molly	6 th

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 7th and May 31st, 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 24th 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

FUND RAISING EVENT

A fund raising event is being run by the Parent Committee: Available for sale are eco-friendly, reusable sandwich and snack bags for your children's lunch boxes.

Order forms will be sent out today with your child. Orders to be returned by Friday 20th June. Samples may be viewed in the school office.

SALE UNIFORM ANNOUNCEMENT

Fleece	\$40
T Shirts	\$20
Polo Shirts	\$25
Sweat Shirts	\$30
Vests	\$10

Limited stock available.

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.

**SAVE THE DATE – 6th 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 6th September)



COMMUNITY NOTICES

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

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
Web: www.detour.co.nz

**KATIKATI PLAYCENTRE'S QUIZ NIGHT IS BACK! SATURDAY, JUNE 28TH 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 20th 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.