



NEWSLETTER

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

Max's Message

LEGACIES

In the not too distant future our Year 8 students will be preparing themselves for their final assembly at Matahui School. They, as the students who have matriculated before them, have had their “horizons expanded” and will be heading to various schools across the region to start the next phase of their academic journeys in 2015. Prior to that however, a few of them will be completing their Gold Awards which provide them with the opportunity to create and develop a significant leadership project that will inspire others, make a difference and therefore leave a lasting impact on the community, be that in our school or beyond.

At the end of this academic year Pauline Miller will be retiring. She has written a piece for the newsletter which I urge you to read. Consider for a moment the number of students Pauline has taught since joining the school in 1988 and the impact she has had on their lives. No matter what Year level she has taught she has always ensured that her students were competently equipped with the skills, knowledge and attitudes they needed to be able to make informed decisions, think creatively and take responsibility for their actions. She has never lost sight of the fact that the students we teach are all individuals, and first and foremost we need to get to know them as people. For her, the students have always been paramount. They are the reason she has committed so much to this school in time, energy and enthusiasm – she has been the consummate professional. Pauline’s overall contribution to the school is actually immeasurable.

Near the end of last year we had an ex-student and his own little family visit the school and the fondness with which he remembered Pauline and his recollections of school life served to highlight the legacy that she is leaving behind.

There is no doubt that we will miss her, though the fact she is virtually a neighbour means she is never far from reach. We wish her an enjoyable and relaxing retirement – probably not realistic given the number of grandchildren she will have by this time next year.

On behalf of us all, thank you Pauline for all you have done for the school. This is not really a goodbye, perhaps more of a see you later because Matahui School will always be a second home.

Ka kite ano

Max

COMPULSORY SUNHATS – TERM FOUR

Sunhat time again! In line with our Sun Safety policy, your children are required to wear the navy Australian slouch hat if they are outside during the day. If they forget their hats, children must remain inside or under the shade of the verandas or trees, which certainly limits their playtime activities. We recommend your children leave their hats at school overnight to ensure they are not left at home. We ask you to support us in this very important issue of sun safety, and to also remember to wear hats yourselves when you are joining us at school for outdoor activities.

We now have two styles to choose from, a wide brim and also a bucket type hat. Both styles are available from NZ UNIFORMS.



UNIFORM - GENERAL

We rely on parents/caregivers to ensure that the children are wearing the appropriate uniform to school. We appreciate your support in this regard.

TERM 4 FEES

Invoices for Term 4 tuition fees were due for payment 20th October. Please speak with Julie if you have not received your invoice or if you have an account query.

PRODUCTION – DVDS FOR SALE

The school office will be taking orders and payments for DVDs of the school production. This year Philip Magnussen has undertaken the filming. The cost of the DVD will be \$15.00 and will be available to purchase now.

TERM 4 - 2014

SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES:

Week 3 Friday 7 Nov: Mr. M hosting

Week 5 Friday 21 Nov: Years 1, 2, 3 & 4 hosting – START TIME 2.15 PM

Week 7 Friday 5 Dec: Years 5 & 6 hosting (LEADERSHIP)

Week 9 Friday 19 Dec: FINAL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY Years 7 & 8 hosting

**NB: Every Thursday: VALUES/COMMUNITY SINGING SCHOOL ASSEMBLY 12.00 – 12.30
Parents/Caregivers welcome**

TERM 4 - 2014 Dates for your Diary

Friday 31 October	School Photos
Friday 7 November	Orange Day – Bus Monitors
Monday 3 & 17 November	BOT meetings
Three days between 11 -14 November	Senior Hike
Wednesday 19 November	Tall Poppies Athletics, Tauranga Domain (postponement date – 21 November)
Monday 24 November	Junior Athletics Year 1,2 &3 (back up days Wed 26 th & Fri 28 th)
Wednesday 26 November	WBOP Athletics, Tauranga Domain
Monday 1 December	Parent/Teacher Conferences (End of Year benchmark)
Friday 5 December	Tall Poppies Social Dance, Te Puna School
Monday 8 December – Friday 12 December	Goat Island Camp – Years 5 – Year 8
Wednesday 10 December	BOP Athletics, Tauranga Domain
Tuesday 16 and Wednesday 17 December	Student-Led Conferences
Friday 19 December	Final Assembly BOT Meeting Last day of School

SCHOOL GROUNDS – BEAUTIFICATION

After the assembly hosted by Max on Friday 7 November 2014, we would value having a group of parents assist us by tending and tidying our gardens prior to the Garden Arts Fest ramble scheduled for Monday 17 November 2014. The key task would be some targeted weeding with general maintenance. Your support would be much appreciated. Can you please contact Gail or Julie to let them know if you would be available to help.
Many thanks.....the Matahui Staff

**CONGRATULATIONS TO GRACE MCGIRR
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.)

CLASS CERTIFICATE AWARDS

Congratulations to our certificate recipients from last week:

Back row from left: Grace, Libby and Ruby

Front row from left: Claudia, Michael, Bryleigh, Courtney and Sofia



YEAR 5 AND 6 BASKETBALL

The Year 5 & 6 Basketball team WON the final of their division - which was held on the Friday night that school finished and straight after a big week of the production.

This was an outstanding result from a team that consistently improved throughout the season. We would like to thank both Mennie and Philip for the dedication and commitment they made to coach both our basketball teams.

The junior basketball team (and proud coach), sporting the gold medals they were awarded.



OLD STOCK /CUT PRICE UNIFORM SALE

Fleece	\$40	
T Shirts	\$20	
Polo Shirts	\$25	Limited stock available at school office
Sweat Shirts	\$30	
Vests	\$10	

SKI GEAR SWAP

If you bought some items into school for the swap/sell please see Julie or Gail so they can return unsold items to you.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Issue 7 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 31st October 2014 so that we can process the orders. Thank you.

GIVE IT A TRY! SANITARIUM WEET-BIX KIDS TRYATHLON

The 2015 Weet-Bix TRYathlon is on January 11th in Mt Maunganui. We would love to enter a school team so we could be in to win these prizes:

– One of five \$1000 cash prizes thanks to ASB to spend on sporting goods or sporting activity of your choice.

-The Asics Schools Prize made up of 30 Sports Packs.

-Eight prizes of 10 complimentary entries to 2015/2016 Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon.

PLUS – there are 14 x \$400 Sports Packs thanks to TOYOTA up for grabs! Packs include \$300 sports equipment voucher and an awesome shot put set signed by Toyota Ambassador VALERIE ADAMS!!

AND – Not only will the students receive discounted entry price of \$35 (usually \$42.50), Courier Post will send your event kits to your school for FREE and post event you'll also be sent a school group photo!

To enter as a school we need at least 10 from the same age bracket: Jnr 7-10 or SNR 11-15

So if you are keen please email Sara Thorburn at sarat@matahui.school.nz

SCHOOL RAFFLE



\$200+ value of goodies, garden tools, toys & more

(can be viewed in the staff room)

Tickets \$2 each - available at the office

Raising funds for entry to the Katikati Santa Parade

SCHOOL LIFE PHOTOS

School Life Photos will be visiting Matahui School on Friday 31st October 2014. All parents/caregivers have received a flier regarding this visit at the beginning of Term 4, detailing how to pre-register on-line via the website. Please ensure your child is wearing the appropriate uniform.

PLEASE NOTE THE REGISTRATION CUT OFF DATE IS...
TUESDAY 28 OCTOBER 2014 AT 1 PM
SCHOOL LIFE WILL NOT ACCEPT BOOKINGS AFTER THIS DATE



*In-store Christmas
shopping a bonus!*

Enjoy The Magic of Christmas

Demonstration Night

*A fundraising event for
Matahui School,
Kaitikati*



Learn the tricks of tree trimming, how to create table centers, garlands and wreaths, tying bows and how to put your Christmas tree lights on without any tangles while enjoying a complementary wine and nibbles!

Where: Christmas Heirloom Company
48 Grey Street
Tauranga

Date: Wednesday 19th November 2014

Time: 7.00pm

Cost: \$10.00

Tickets available from Matahui School office or phone 07 552 0655



A workshop with Ross Barker - "Supporting Atypical Children in a Neurotypical World"

When: Wednesday November 19th
Time: 5.30 – 7.30 pm
At: Matahui School: This workshop is free of charge to the Matahui parent community.

Please note: this initial workshop is to gauge interest and if required, Ross will work with us for 3 further evenings, also free of charge.

This is a workshop designed to help you support your child in a challenging world. With the knowledge you will gain, there will be an opportunity to carry out a confidential case study on your own child. This will result in personalised practical advice relevant to your own situation.

Ross Barker: Background

Ross has previously worked in mainstream mental health services (CAMHS). In the last 10 years he has moved into private practice to target his clinical practice to the relatively small group of children who are just wired differently to most. These are the atypical children most at risk of being misunderstood.

Over the last 10 years he has provided professional development and case consultation to schools around New Zealand regarding the inclusion of neurodiversity, but is now targeting his work directly to families. The goal of his work is to empower parents with good quality clinical information (crafted to each individual child and situation), so that parents can become their own case managers for their own child.

By formal training Ross is a Child and Family Therapist, but is the first to admit that the mainstream training offers very little for these children. He has had to 'learn on the job' to develop the thinking and strategies that can actually help these children (and their families).

COMMUNITY NOTICES

OMOKOROA ATHLETICS CLUB

Omokoroa Athletics Club has started their summer season – the first night began on Wednesday 22 November – but you are more than welcome to join any time onwards. Children may have taken home a registration form. However, additional membership registration forms are available in the school office if your child would like to join. Note: the club has qualified coaches who focus on specific athletic skills and techniques.

MICHEAL HOMERSHAM – GUITAR CONCERT

Micheal Homisham will be holding a guitar concert for his students on Sunday 9 November 2014 between 1 and 3 pm in the Matahui School Hub.

PGG WRIGHTSONS CASH FOR COMMUNITIES

When you purchase qualifying Balance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser, you can nominate Matahui School at www.cashforcommunities.co.nz and then start earning \$\$\$ for school. It's that easy!

ANNUAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY – PAEROA DOMAIN

On Saturday 1 November 2014 our Club will be holding its 25th Annual Fireworks Display at Paeroa Domain with gates opening at 6.00pm. In recognition of this being our 25th Annual Display we are including in our Fireworks Display a special feature which we understand has never been provided at displays in Coromandel, Hauraki or Western Bay of Plenty districts. You need to be on site to get the benefit of this feature.

Gate charges are a family ticket covering 2 adults and 2 children for \$15. We also have food stalls and other entertainment on site. Please contact me with any further information you may require. Malcolm Davison, Paeroa Lions Club, 0274950806

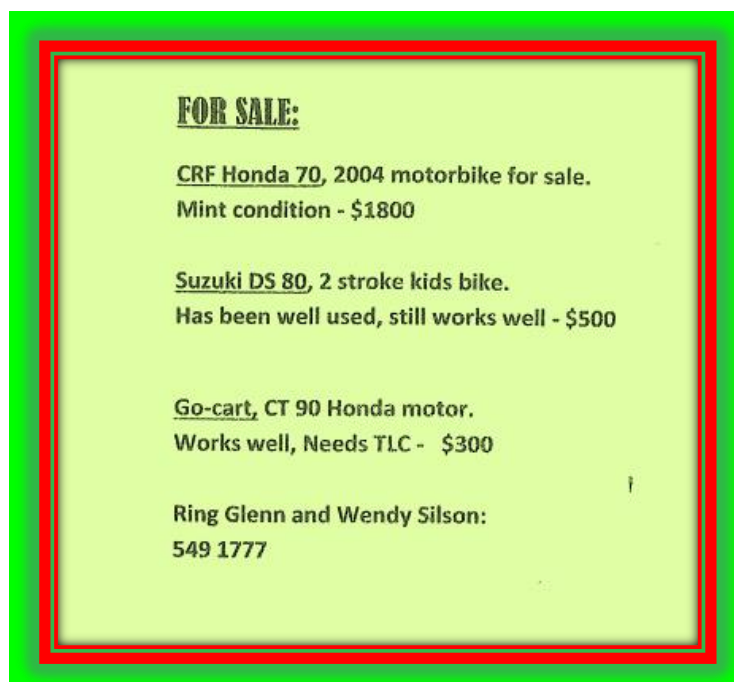
INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL CAMPS NZ

Hi - just wanted to notify you about an incredible opportunity for football enthusiast kids that we are bringing to New Zealand - AC Milan Junior Camps, to be held in Wellington in July 2015! We have just set up our website and are now taking expressions of interest from those wishing to attend the week long camps. The camps are aimed at all skill levels, but there is a "scouting" element within the ACM Junior Camp environment. They are always looking to identify future talent and have mentioned that they see great potential in NZ given we excel in all sectors relative to our population base. If you know of any kids that may be interested in attending, please ask them to register on our website asap, as we are launching into a nation-wide marketing campaign, and initial indications are that the limited placements will be exhausted very quickly. If you have any queries, or require any additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me. **Andrew Sandlant** International Football Camps NZ Project Manager M: [+64 27 6051167](tel:+64276051167) W: <http://internationalfootballcamps.co.nz>

Women's Health Night 10th November @ 7.15pm

Men's Health Night 11th November @ 7.15pm

The Katikati Community Resource Centre along with the Katikati Medical Centre is hosting a Women's Health Night 10th November @ 7.15pm and a Men's Health Night 11th November @ 7.15pm, both nights will be held at the RSA and Citizen's Club. We have been fortunate to secure 2 medical and 1 motivational speaker for each night. They promise to be FUN and INFORMATIVE evenings with spot prizes and a major prize draw of a weekend away for two. It is FREE ENTRY but space is limited so tickets must be picked up prior to the night from Katikati Community Resource Centre, Katikati Medical Centre, Katikati Pharmacy, Waihi Beach Chemist and Omokoroa Pharmacy.



FOR SALE:

CRF Honda 70, 2004 motorbike for sale.
Mint condition - \$1800

Suzuki DS 80, 2 stroke kids bike.
Has been well used, still works well - \$500

Go-cart, CT 90 Honda motor.
Works well, Needs TLC - \$300

Ring Glenn and Wendy Silson:
549 1777

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