



MATAHUI SCHOOL

SMALL CLASSES - BIG FUTURES

NEWSLETTER

Term 1: Week 11: 9 – 13 April 2018



... when they arrive!



MAX'S MESSAGE

HAVE YOUR SAY.....

Deborah James, the Executive Director of the Independent Schools of New Zealand sent us an email this week pertaining to the current review of our taxation system. She raised an interesting and salient point which I would urge you to consider.

This review of the tax system provides parents and our organisation with a good opportunity to highlight the issue of parents paying tax through their income to Vote Education and again through GST paid on the school fees you pay.

The Tax Working Group has been set up by the Government to look at improvements to the structure, fairness and balance of the tax system and is now asking for submissions on the future of tax today.

ISNZ is hoping to engage KPMG to prepare a submission for the organisation on this taxation aspect, but perhaps you could consider putting in a submission to the Tax Working Group with a view to persuading them to consider a key and important parental perspective.

The submissions background paper can be found at: <https://taxworkinggroup.govt.nz/resources/future-tax-submissions-background-paper>

The Tax Working Group has identified five key questions about our tax system. Please refer to the following link for the key questions and related information:

<https://taxworkinggroup.govt.nz/have-your-say-future-tax> This link will also take you to the link to make a submission.

I do hope that you can find the time to make a submission and have your say.

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Max



NUTS & BOLTS

TERM 1, 2018: Dates for your Diary

Monday 9 April: BOT Community meeting – 5.30 HUB

Tuesday 10 April – 11.30 am 1st HPV Vaccination Year 8s

Wednesday 11 April: 9 am to 2 pm WBOP Swimming

Friday 13 April: Last day of term

ASSEMBLIES – TERM 1 (11 WEEKS). Start time – 2.30 pm

WK10 - Friday 6 April: Mrs Chissell (POHUTUKAWA) – Class Presentation

WK 11 - Friday 13 April: Mr Evans (KAURI) – Class Presentation

Matahui Term Dates 2018

Term 1	Tuesday 30 January	to	Friday 13 April	11 weeks
Term 2	Monday 7 May	to	Friday 6 July	9 weeks
Term 3	Monday 23 July	to	Friday 21 September	9 weeks
Term 4	Monday 15 October	to	Wednesday 19 December	10 weeks

TERM 2, 2018: Dates for your Diary

Monday 7 May: Term 2 begins

Monday 7 May: 9 am to 2 pm. Basketball Miniball World Cup Years 3 – 6. TBC

Thursday 10 May: 5 pm Tauranga. EPro 8 Competition – Years 7 - 8

Friday 11 May: 9.30 am Tauranga EPro 8 Competition – Years 5 – 6

Monday 14 May: BOT Meeting

Wednesday 16 May: 9 am – 2 pm WBOP Inter-School Amazing Race

Thursday 24 May: 10 am Boostrix Education – Year 7s

Thursday 24 May: Junior/Senior Hike

Wednesday 30 May: Grandparents Open Day 9 – 12.30

Friday 1 June: Life Ed

Monday 4 June: No school – Queens Birthday

Tuesday 5 – Wednesday 6 June: Life Ed

Wednesday 6 June: Junior Cross Country – Matahui

Thursday 7 June: Small School Cross Country

Monday 11 June: BOT Meeting

Tuesday 12 June: North Cluster Cross Country

Tuesday 26 June: BOP Cross Country – Years 4 – 8

Tuesday 26 June: Reports home

Monday 2 July: Report follow up – parent meeting (optional)

Tuesday 3 July: Report follow up – parent meeting (optional)

Friday 6 July: End of Term 2

ASSEMBLIES – TERM 1 (11 WEEKS). Start time – 2.30 pm

WK 1 – Friday 11 May: Mr Muller - Friendliness

WK 2 - Friday 18 May: Mrs Chissell (POHUTUKAWA) – Helpfulness

WK 3: Friday 25 May: Mrs Garrett (PURIRI) - Honesty

WK 4 - Friday 1 June: Mr Evans (KAURI) – Perseverance

WK 5: Friday 8 June: Mrs Croskery (KOWHAI) – Excellence

WK 6: Friday 15 June: Mrs Chissell(POHUTUKAWA) – Responsibility – **Class Presentation**

WK7: Friday 22 June: Mrs Garrett (PURIRI) – Forgiveness – **Class Presentation**

WK 8: Friday 29 June: Mrs Croskery (KOWHAI) – Courage – **Class Presentation**

WK 9: Friday 6 July: Mr Evans (KAURI) – Co-operation – **Class Presentation**



In the
Spotlight

HEALTH AND SAFETY SPOTLIGHT OF THE MONTH

Following on from our note about student illnesses, we thought we would share with you two links regarding Whooping cough sent to us by the health nurse.

- [Whooping cough information for schools](#)
- [Whooping cough information for parents/caregivers](#)

DRY FIREWOOD \$90/cubic metre

Delivered within 15km of Katikati

Nigel 022 640 8355



plus

The Kindling Kids are selling
**kindling \$8 / banana box or \$15 for 2
boxes**

Speak to Polly or Cameron at school

CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Week 10, Term 1, 2018 – Polly George was awarded the Certificate for Optimism. Well done Polly!

Detailed below are the recipients of school awards for Week 9 in Term 1. Well done to Louis, Mila, Serene, Isla, Grace, Abygale and Charlotte.





MATAHUI SCHOOL
NOTICEBOARD

*More detailed information can be viewed on the school
noticeboard*

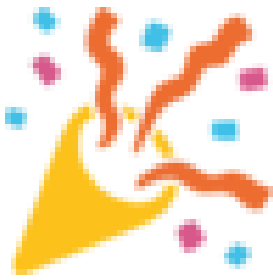
- April 2018 Holiday Programme – Waihi Beach Kids Club – 16 to 27 April – 9 am to 5pm

A flyer promoting the **Life Education Breakfast 2018**, to be held on **Friday 4 May** is located on the school noticeboard. This is the major fundraising event for Life Education in the Western Bay of Plenty region, this year. The theme will be health and wellbeing, and we have three wonderful special guests - **Gemma McCaw, Dr Anna Rolleston and Sam Dowdall** (Sam the Barter Barber).

Our two specialist educators and our lovable mascot Harold the Giraffe visit over 12,000 primary and intermediate children at 50 schools between Katikati and Otamarakau, in our two mobile classrooms.

We receive no government funding and must raise over \$120,000 each year to keep the programme running in Western Bay of Plenty schools. Therefore we rely heavily on community support, including grant funding, sponsorship, donations and fund raising. The link to our website page is below.

<http://www.lifeeducation.org.nz/local-area/western-bay-of-plenty-region>



MATAHUI SCHOOL BALL 2018

Did you know that every 2nd year Matahui School hosts a fabulous ball?

Not only is it a significant fundraising event but it's a fabulous night out! This is an incredible opportunity to get involved with the school and we are on the hunt for some parents/caregivers to volunteer some of their precious time (whatever you can spare) and be a part of the School Ball committee. We have lots of information on previous years' events documented and we are very keen to make this years' ball the best yet!

If you are interested at all, please email Sharlene Reay on sharreay@gmail.com or call/text on 021 426 606 as soon as possible. We are looking to start meeting next week to get the 'ball' rolling so don't wait

BOT COMMUNITY MEETING

Just a reminder that the next Board of Trustees Community meeting will be held on Monday 9th April 2018 at 5.30 pm in the hub. See you there!



WINTER BASKETBALL INFORMATION – YEARS 3 & 4, YEARS 5 & 6 AND YEARS 7 & 8



The basketball winter season is fast approaching. If there are any parents keen to coach either the Year 5/6 or Year 7/8 teams, please let the school office know as soon as possible please.

If your child would like to take part in the winter basketball league, please let the school office know within the next two weeks please.

Detailed below is some general information regarding the different year groups.

- **Year 3 & 4** Winter League play at ASB Stadium on a Tuesday afternoon. Games are scheduled between 3.50pm and 6.30pm. The game is played on a full sized court and is divided into two halves. TCBA provide two referees which are included in the school fees. **Winter League will commence Tuesday 8 May 2018. Coach for Years 3 and 4 – Mike Ellis**
- **Year 5 & 6** Winter League will be played over two venues this year, ASB Stadium and QEYC. Games are played between 4.00pm and 8.30pm on a Friday night. At this level the game is played on full size hoops. Teams play four x ten minute running clock quarters with normal basketball rules including subbing on of players. **Winter League will commence Friday 11 May 2018.**
- **Years 7 & 8** This League is currently played at the ASB Stadium on a Monday night. Games are scheduled between 4.00pm and 8.00pm. The games are played on a full sized court, with normal basketball rules and are played over four x 10 minute running clock quarters. Mouth guards in this league will be compulsory in 2018 in line with BBNZ policies. **This League will recommence in Term 2 2018, on Monday 7 May 2018.**

Are any students interested in undertaking the challenge of the 40 hour famine?



Cole, Tessa, Shelley and Shani - 2018 World Vision NZ Youth Ambassadors

Dear 40 Hour Famine friends

We want to know, what are you giving up this 40 Hour Famine?

Food? Furniture? Technology? Talking?

You're invited to join more than 90,000 New Zealanders banding together for 40 hours this **June 8-10** by going without something you love – for a good cause! Grab your group and make a splash in your local community while creating impact for those who need it.

Your fundraising will support children from South Sudan who have fled their homes because of famine, drought and conflict by providing life-saving essentials like food and water as well as education and a safe place to live.

Here's your chance to make a difference!

1. Head to famine.org.nz, hit **Organise my team**, to sign up yourself and your group
2. Got a smartphone? Download the app by searching **World Vision NZ** in Google Play or the App Store. It's an easy way to connect with your friends and family
3. Invite your friends, family, club or sports team to join with you in creating change for good
4. Get fundraising together! Use the weekend to hold an event, or choose a challenge together. It's fun and easy and we have plenty of event ideas and resources at famine.org.nz.

We are here to help. If you have any questions, please email nz.famine@worldvision.org.nz

We can't wait for you to join the team!

Cole, Tessa, Shelley, Shani and the 40 Hour Famine Youth Ambassadors