



# MATAMATA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### ENDEAVOUR

### ACHIEVE

### EXCEL

## From The Principal



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Thank you to all the families who made the time to come along to our Goal Setting day. The aim of these sessions was to provide you with academic data and set specific goals for our learners. We really appreciate you investing this time in your child's education as we 100% realise how busy parents are in this day and age. If you did not manage to get a time that suited you please just get hold of the classroom teacher and they will be more than happy to book you in for a session.

Thank you to Mrs Bateman for all the hard work she put into organising the MPS school swimming sports. We have some very talented swimmers and it was awesome to see you out there doing your thing. We look forward to seeing you compete at the Interschool event.

**School Production:** Mr Mair is in the early stages of writing our 2020 School Production. This will take place in Week Five, Term Two. Some children will be selected for parts at the end of the term and be expected to start learning their lines over the mid-term break.

**Thank you:** A huge thank you to Mitre 10 for donating all the vegetable plants for our community garden.

**Play, Make, Create** – This is an exciting way of engaging students with literacy and creative thinking. Every morning from 8.30-9.00am our Multipurpose room is open and we have Play, Make, Create sessions running. If you would like to see this exciting, innovative programme in action please come along and join in.

**“The best time to start thinking about your retirement is before the boss does.”**  
- Unknown

**“Accountability is the glue that bonds commitment to results.”**  
- Will Craig

**Ngaa Mihi**  
**Glenn MacPherson**  
**Principal**

### **BALLOT 2 - MONDAY 6 APRIL 2020 - 12 NOON**

We are holding our next Ballot for out-of-zone students on Monday 6 April at 12 noon. Please note that if you already have children at school but are out of zone, your preschoolers will still need to be balloted in to our school.

We have spaces available for **Y5-1, Y4-6, Y2-6, Y1-14, Y0-NE** (born after 28 April 2015) - 25. Ballot forms are available from the school office or on the website. These must be returned with your child's birth certificate before 6 April at 12 noon.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 13 March

1.45pm Whole School Assembly  
Subway lunch order day

Monday 16 March

2pm - Springboard Session 4

Friday 20 March

Interschool Swimming Sports  
Subway lunch order day

Monday 23 March

Room 2 Camp - Swaps Hut  
Room 3 Camp - KBC

Wednesday 25 March

Room 4 Camp KBC  
Room 5 Camp Swaps Hut

Friday 27 March

1.45pm Whole School Assembly  
Subway Lunch order day

Wednesday 1 April

Room 1 Camp KBC

Monday 6 April

Ballot for out-of-zone students

Thursday 9 April

Last day of Term 2

#### **TERM DATES 2020**

Term 1 - Mon 3/2 - Thur 9/4  
**(Waitangi Day 6/2)**  
Term 2 - Tuesday 28/4 - Friday 3/7  
**(Anzac Day Mon27/4)**  
**(Queens Birthday Mon 1/6)**  
Term 3 - Monday 20/7 - Friday 25/9  
Term 4 - Monday 12/10 - Tue 15/12



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*This week in Review*

## Senior School trip to Waimarino Water Adventure Park

The Senior School had a fantastic day at Waimarino Adventure Park which was a great outing for both children and adults and is located on the banks of the Wairoa River just 40 minutes from Matamata. The park is focused around the sports of kayaking. There were plenty of other activities that kept the children challenged and entertained throughout the day such as a water trampoline, climbing wall, the BLOB, tarzan swing, gladiator pole, diving boards, slip and slide, warm thermal pool and volleyball. The children learnt how to paddle and control a canoe, test themselves in other water activities they would not normally do such as the BLOB, and collaborate to achieve a common goal.



## Matamata Primary Swimming Sports

It was a bright and sunny day for our annual Matamata Primary School swimming sports today. The Junior Syndicate started the day with a "Give it a Go" event, followed by a full day of swimming heats and finals from the Middle and Senior Syndicates.

The day finished off with House Relays and Teacher and Parent races. It was fantastic to see so many parent/caregivers there to support the children.

**Bowler Cup 50m Open Freestyle winners were:**

**GIRL: Keiley Bennett BOY: Quaide Balsom**

**Results of the overall winners will be published in the next Newsletter.**







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## Upcoming Events

### Syndicate Celebration Boards on display

We have three Syndicate display boards around the school showcasing student work.

One is outside the hall and has a great display of the Year 5 and 6 student's writing.

Outside Room 10 is where you will find the Middle School display board (Year 3 and 4) which depicts some wonderful, imaginative writing.

You will find the Junior display board (Year's 1 and 2) placed at the end of the Middle School toilet block. Check out the excellent examples of student writing that is on display. Well done to all the students who have their work on display.



### SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS - 6 / 7 MAY

We will be having our annual school photographs taken at school on Wednesday 6 and Thursday 7

May - Class photos will be on the 6 May and Individual and Sibling photos will be on 7 May.

It will be run slightly different this year.

An order form will be sent home with your child on 23 March and will need to be returned to school by 9 April (last day of term).

**Children will now only be photographed individually if parent's place an order.**

All children will be photographed with their classes, unless they are absent on the day.

**ORDERING - THREE OPTIONS BELOW;**

- Complete order form and return to school with payment.
- Take the form to Kodak and Black store along with your payment.
- Pay online and return the form to the school.

### UNIFORM ITEMS AVAILABLE

Please note that we have the following uniform items in stock and available from the school office;

**Hoodie - \$60.00**

**Black Short - \$35.00**

**Premier Shorts - \$40.00**

**Poloshirt - \$35.00**

**House Shirts - \$22.00 -**

*(selected sizes only)*

**Trackpants - \$50.00**

**School Beanie - \$20.00**

**Wide brim Sunhats - \$15.00**

**Roadworks Raincoats - \$20.00 (small sizes only)**





# MATAMATA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reminders, Events and Important Information

## PICK UP TIME

A reminder that our school bell rings at **2.55pm** at the end of each school day. Could you please make sure your children are picked up promptly at the end of each day as we have an increasing amount of children not being picked up until 3.15-3.30pm. **If you are going to be late please contact the school office to advise them so a message can be sent to your child/ren.**

If children are not picked up on time they will be required to wait under the Te Waharoa at the front entry of our school. We would prefer children not to wait in other areas of the school where they cannot be monitored.

**Don't forget** to turn on notifications on your phone to receive **instant alerts** from us via the **Skool Loop App**.



Simple free download. In Google Play or App Store search "Skool Loop" & choose our school once installed

Download the School Loop APP Today!! Please see the details on how to download the app here.

## NEW LAUNCH OF 12 MONTH ENTERTAINMENT DIGITAL MEMBERSHIP

We have been notified that the Entertainment Membership will now be for a **12 month period** so this means if you purchase a membership at any time, this will be valid for 12 months from purchase date. Previously these were June-June. The membership is \$65.00 and these are only available in a digital version for your phone. There are amazing food and entertainment deals in these saving hundreds of dollars. There are lots of activities such as cheap movie tickets, Leap, Mini Golf, Zoo etc. You can go online to <https://www.entbook.co.nz/15555k49> to purchase. **The school raises \$13.00 for each membership sold.**

## Bank Account details for online payments

If you are making online payments the information required is:

**Matamata Primary School Office Account**  
**ASB: 12-3438-0004624-00**

Please make sure your surname and reference for what the payment is, e.g. Senior Camp, Touch Rugby etc

## PICKING CHILDREN UP FROM SCHOOL

PLEASE NOTE WHEN PICKING UP CHILDREN REMEMBER TO UTILISE THE PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS. WE HAVE CHILDREN AND TEACHERS ON DUTY TO ENSURE THE CHILDREN CROSS THE ROAD SAFELY.

REMEMBER PLEASE NOT TO PARK OVER DRIVEWAYS OR IN THE CHURCH CARPARK. WE NEED TO REMEMBER TO KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE AS THIS IS A BUSY TIME DROPPING OFF AND PICKING UP CHILDREN.



## ZOGGS SWIMMING GOGGLES FOR SALE

3 pack of goggles (2 children/1 adult) for only **\$20.00** available from school office. Great value, good quality goggles.

Please ensure all children's clothing is named as we have an increasing amount of lost property with no names on these.

## School Policies & Procedures

Matamata Primary School Policies and Procedures are available to be viewed online at

<http://matamataprimarieschooldocs.co.nz>

**Username:** matamataprimaries

**Password:** 3440