



Matamata Intermediate

12th June 2023

Teena Taatou e te whaanau

It has come to my attention that there are a number of rumours and myths circulating around our current building renovations. I appreciate those of you who have contacted me directly to seek clarification, but it seems there is sufficient misinformation out there that I thought I'd send a newsletter to directly address some of the issues.

We are currently updating our toilets and cloak bay areas. This is a project that has been on the schools 10 year property plan for a long time with both the current board of trustees and previous boards who have carried out a lot of research around the best use of our spaces to meet the needs of our students.

With the advancements in technology and range of opportunities available to our students, the gear they need to bring to school means our traditional cloak bays are no longer fit for purpose. With this in mind, we have redesigned the space to now include extended breakout learning spaces, which, as our roll is increasing, will be valuable areas.

After 20+ years of use, our current toilets are quite worn and tired. I know that I don't enjoy using them. I will include some photos for you but they can not capture the smell - I'll let you imagine that (if you are brave enough). We want our students to have safe and private use of toilet facilities. We have removed the traditional shared toilet space and created individual, stand alone, cubicles. These will be labelled with Boys, Girls and Unisex. Girls cubicles will contain sanitary disposal units. We also have our boys and girls changing rooms for when classes need to change into PE gear.

Our focus is on creating safe environments with our students well being at the centre of our decision making. These new spaces will be fresh, clean and we look forward to sharing them with you, once they have been completed.

Ngaa mihi nui
Debbie Currie
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 13th June -
Inter-Intermediate Futsal

Thursday 15th June -
Inter-Intermediate Chess

Tuesday 20th June -
Inter-Intermediate 1st XV

Monday 26th - Friday 30th June
Winter Olympics

Friday 30th June -
End of Term 2

Monday 17th July -
Start of Term 3

Friday 21st July -
PEP available to access

PEP ACCESS DATE

In the last newsletter we had the wrong date for when the PEP's would be available to view. Your student's PEP will be available for you to access via your students personalised school email login on the first Friday of term 3 (**21st July**)

