

Matamata Intermediate Board Newsletter

8th December 2023

Teenaa taatou e te whaanau

As the year draws to a close we thought we could share some key aspects of the year with you. Make a cup of tea and enjoy catching up with 2023 and a sneak look ahead to 2024.

BUILDING PROJECTS –

During 2023, we have had a significant focus on updating our learning spaces and toilet blocks. As the year comes to a close, we are pleased to say this project has been completed and the spaces are making a positive impact on our environment. We are now looking ahead to our next focus and during the holidays we are relaying the hall floor and fixing the staff car park. These are both big jobs that need addressing and by completing them over the summer, means school will be fresh and sorted to start the new year.

LEARNING AND ACHIEVEMENT

One of the main focuses of the Board of Trustees is to look at achievement data and create a Strategic Plan that supports the school moving forward, to meet the needs of our students. Thank you to everyone who gave feedback both in the Rongohia te Hau survey and also in the Strategic Feedback Survey in Term 3. Using all the information provided and the National Education and Learning Priorities (NELPS) we will be sharing our 2024-2025 Strategic Plan

STAFFING •

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our staff for their commitment and hard work during 2023. During the year, we have farewelled Brooke Harris, who is currently on maternity leave and this week we are also farewelling Anita Muter, Jennifer Anderson, Melissa Martin and Jade Coates. We wish them all the best on their new journey and look forward to keeping in touch. Due to our roll increase, we are opening a new classroom for 2024 and we look forward to introducing our new staff early next year.

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 8th December -Mangawhero Whaanau Celebration

Monday 11th December -Piako Whaanau Celebration

Tuesday 12th December -Waihou Whaanau Celebration

Wednesday 13th December -Waitoa Whaanau Celebration

Thursday 14th December -Graduation Dance

Friday 15th December -Formal Prizegiving



2024 Wednesday 31st January -Start of Term 1

BOARD

as we are farewelling staff at the end of the year, we also have some board members who are coming to the end of their time with us. We would like to thank David White for his commitment and impact on the board during 2023. David was co-opted on at the beginning of the year and has worked on a number of projects including the upgrade of our new van and a number of property improvements. Kave-Maree Olesen, who was an elected trustee in 2019, has handed in her resignation from the board, effective February 2024. As Kaye-Maree's own children have moved on, she has decided it is time for her to do so as well. We wish to say a massive thank you to Kaye-Maree for the work she has carried out on our board, particularly her focus on Health and Safety and working alongside our student Health and Safety crew, to ensure we are meeting our policies and learning in a safe environment.

Kaye-Maree's resignation creates a casual vacancy on our board. The board has decided to fill the vacancy by selection.

The process for selection requires us to give 28 days from this notice being published, for 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll to ask the board, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held. Due to the Christmas/New Year period, we have extended this date to 15th January.

Request for a by-election should be sent to:

Kelly Hayward Presiding member (chair) Matamata Intermediate School Board

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by: January 15th 2024

