



Matamata Intermediate

Tēnā koutou e te Whānau

8th February 2024

Although short weeks are lovely in one way, it does feel like we've had a stop/start beginning to our year. As I mentioned in Facebook posts and to a number of parents/community I have caught up with over these last 2 weeks, it has been really lovely seeing our students settle into school and start to find their way around. Our year 8's have been fantastic leaders and I hope, if you have a year 7, they have settled into their class, whānau and school.

Once again, this email contains quite a bit of information so grab a cup of tea and enjoy.

Our school vision is **Inspired Learners. Empowered to Achieve.** During the course of the year, we work with our students to create an environment where this can happen. This includes teaching our CCC values in targeted, deliberate lessons. We will share these with you where we can and appreciate your support in reinforcing the key messages. These first few weeks we have been introducing our words/kupu/language to help create the foundation of expectations at Intermediate. Perhaps check in with your child around what their understanding of these 3 key words are.

One way we work together on this message of our 3Cs is what we call our Whakatauhēra and Whakakapi. These are 'zoom' sessions on a Monday morning and Friday afternoon where we (virtually) join together to open and close our week. We share what the 3C focus is going to be and then celebrate highlights from during the week. As the school is getting bigger, this is becoming an increasingly important part of our culture and connectedness. A year 7 did ask me if Miss J and I were TV stars since we are on TV twice a week, it did make me smile but I had to disappoint them and say, 'not quite!'

We do however, think our Board of Trustees are superstars. In the next newsletter, we will have a Board introduction, but for now the Board wishes to inform the community we will be filling a vacancy created by a resigning Board member, by selection. The Board has passed the 28 day term required to give the community an opportunity to request a by-election and as a result has appointed Jennifer Anderson to the vacancy. Jennifer has strong connections with Matamata Intermediate and she is looking forward to continuing these in her role as a board member. We look forward to introducing her further, along with the rest of the board in the near future. .

The other thing we have a slight change in this year is returning to the use of the macron when we are writing in Te Reo Māori. Previously, we followed the Tainui Waka lead and used a double vowel but in consultation with the 3 iwi linked to our school, and with our other local schools, we have made the decision to return to the macron.

So on that note, if there is anything in this newsletter you would like to know more about, please touch base with your classroom teacher and they will be able to point you in the right direction.

Ngā mihi nui
Debbie Currie
(Tumuaki/Principal)



AIMS GAMES



This is a National level **COMPETITIVE** event designed for students **excelling** in their chosen sport.

To enter an individual NZAIMS sport, a student must be connected with a club and actively training and participating at a high level in their individual sport. It would be up to parents / whanau to arrange transport to and from events.

If your child wishes to enter an **INDIVIDUAL SPORT**, for NZAIMS, please contact Laura Fisher missfisher@matamataint.school.nz by Friday 5th April.

In week 7 of this term (Wednesday 13th March) a meeting will be held for those interested in team sports.

Intention will be to send teams that will be **COMPETITIVE** and the final decision, on which teams will be entered, will be made by the principal after trials in consultation with TIC, Sports Committee and AIMS guidelines and prerequisites (**based on the capability of the team**).

NOHO KURA

A Noho Kura is an overnight stay at school. Your child will be bringing home a detailed newsletter with specific information about this event. Watch out for it and touch base with your classroom teacher if it doesn't arrive home.

EMERGENCY PLAN OVERVIEW

As you might imagine, we have specific plans in place, for school, in case of an emergency. This link will give you an overview of what you need to know - [Emergency Management Plan](#)

MIS LEARNING EXPO
 Tuesday 13th February
 4:30pm - 6pm

MUSIC LESSONS
 AG DAY
 KAPA HAKA
 SCIENCE FAIR
 EPROB
 AIMS GAMES
 VARIOUS SPORTS
 AND MUCH MORE...

Come along for a chance to explore the opportunities available for your child at MIS

SUBWAY Express

Order your own | School lunch programme | Catering

Subway delivers to Matamata Intermediate daily.
 Log into subwayexpress.co.nz and you can select your school - please remember to include your child's name and room number so their lunch can be delivered to them. Have your orders in before 8am on the day of delivery.

YEAR 7 & 8 IMMUNISATIONS

On the 15th February there will be an Immunisation Information Talk regarding the Year 7 immunisation for Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough and Year 8 Immunisation for Human Papillomavirus (HPV) will be undertaken during 2024.

- Consent forms will be sent home with all Year 7 and 8 Students
- Please complete and return to school
- There is provision within the form for consent and non-consent
- As part of the programme, information will be given to each Year 7 and Year 8 Student. If you do not want your child to receive this education and/or to view the presentation the Public Health Nurse uses, then please contact the school office to arrange this.

INTRODUCING:

In this term's newsletters, we will be introducing each of our teams. We thought we'd start with the team who connects us all together and who is often your first contact (other than your classroom teacher).

These ladies run our office and look after our students with first aid and extra support when needed. The office is open from 8am-4pm and within those hours they work their magic.

One of the key roles they undertake on a daily basis is our attendance calls. If your child is marked absent, and we have not had notification from you, you will receive a call from either Leanna or Heather, checking in and making sure your child is safe and where they should be. To save them hours of work, please remember to use the forms of communication that have been shared with you, to let us know your child is away.



Whaea Leanna and Mrs Mac

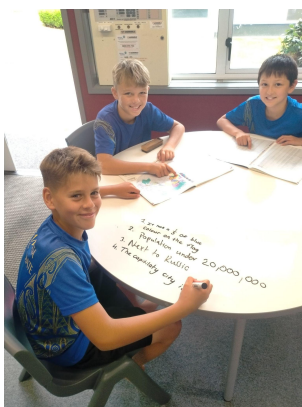
SPECIALIST SUBJECTS HIGHLIGHT OF THE WEEK: GLOBAL CONNECTIONS

"Global Connections" is centred around three key questions:

- *Who are we as a people and a country?*
- *How do we connect with each other and other countries in the world?*
- *What are the challenges we face in the world and how are we working together to solve them?*

This week in Global Connections students have been learning about the continents of the world and testing their knowledge about different countries. Over the next few weeks, students will explore stories of how life is different in other countries and learn about the connections we have with them. Students will then choose a country to explore in more depth where they will build their knowledge of another language.

In lessons, we are also fortunate to learn from many of our students who often share knowledge of their own languages and cultures from all around the world



UPCOMING DATES

Tuesday 13th February - Learning Expo

Thursday 15th February - Immunisation Information Talk

Monday 19th February - School Photos

Thursday 22nd February - Swimming Champs

Monday 26th Feb - 1st March - Noho Kura

Tuesday 27th February - Inter-Intermediate Boys Cricket



Let us know your child will be absent and keep up to date with notices and newsletters



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COMMUNITY NOTICES

WAIKATO BOP SCHOOLS XC MTB CHAMPS 2024

Sponsored by Evans Doyle Accounts + Advisors

Track suitable for all abilities - Open from Year 5 - Year 13
Enter through your school by Tuesday 5th March
NEW FOR THIS YEAR - TEAM RELAYS

Thursday 14 March Te Miro MTB Park

Please email
temiromtbevents@gmail.com
for any queries

Food and drink available - please bring cash



For more information, please read the Event Manual on the Te Miro MTB Club website

Te Miro Twister XC Mountain Bike Race



3rd March 2024

Choose from the below
2.5km Suitable for Littlies or Beginners
(2 or 4 Laps will finish after 45 minutes)
7km, 14km, 21km or 42kms (Approximately)
E-Bike Classes Available in 21 and 42kms

Plenty of Awesome Spot Prizes
Sausage Sizzle and Drinks for Sale
No Eftpos Available Please Bring Cash

For more information and course maps go to:

temiromtclub.co.nz

Any queries email: temiromtbevents@gmail.com

Registration opens 25th January

Click on the below link to register

<https://www.webscorer.com/register?pid=1&raceid=338828>



KAYAK

BEGINNER KAYAK CLASSES

Wednesdays 14 Feb - 13 March	3.45PM - 4.45PM STUDENTS 5-6PM ADULTS	MATAMATA COLLEGE POOL
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\$30 Includes all gear
Student Registrations: <https://forms.office.com/r/9aPT8Lsh7y>
Adult Registrations: <https://forms.office.com/r/jHfQ9zqyyat>

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Matamata Kayak Club

2024 WALTON ADVENTURE CHALLENGE

SUNDAY 3RD MARCH

FAMILY!

Come and be part of this fun, family adventure on a beautiful local farm.

FUN!

REGISTER AT
WWW.WALTONWAC.COM

Proudly brought to you by the
Walton School PTA

UMS JUNIOR RUGBY ONLINE REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW - LINK ABOVE

\$25 Registration for over 5 yrs & receive a free shirt, drink bottle and mouthguard

Under 5's Mini foals \$10 with free mini foals t shirt

MATAMATA FUN TOWER RUN

Late Entries on the night

STARTS & FINISHES AT FIRTH TOWER

FRIDAY 1ST MARCH 2024
4Km & 6Km - Starts at 6pm

ONLINE ENTRIES

Available at: matamata-tower-run-2024.lilregie.com
or paper entries can be collected and submitted at Matamata Firth Tower on Thursday 29th February 9am-2pm - Friday 1st March 9am-12pm

Run & Walk Events

Scan QR Code to enter

Sponsored by: **Scene** Tainui Press design and print

MATAMATA RECREATIONAL GYMNASTICS & TUMBLING CLUB

Gymnastics club registrations are open - Wednesdays Nights. Head to the [website](#) to create a login and register but read newsletter first for details

JUNIOR RUGBY REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Register for Hinuera Rugby by clicking the below link

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/256118>

JUNIOR RUGBY REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Thanks to our generous sponsors and calf rearers junior rugby is free at Hinuera

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