



Matamata Intermediate

Term 4 Week 4

At Matamata Intermediate, we are looking forward to our upcoming camps to Waihi starting next week and running over the next three weeks. Camps are a key part of our commitment to Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) and our school vision, *Inspired Learners. Empowered to Achieve*. These unique, curriculum-based learning experiences bring our students' learning to life beyond the four walls of the classroom, fostering deeper understanding, skills, and real-world connections.

We are incredibly grateful for the support of our Board, who generously subsidise these camps to help reduce the parental contribution we ask for from families. This valuable contribution makes these experiences more accessible, while also reinforcing our shared belief in the importance of these learning opportunities. A special thank you goes out to the parents who have already contributed financially to support this programme—your partnership is essential in making these valuable experiences possible.

A heartfelt thank you goes to our dedicated teachers, who have worked tirelessly in planning and who will spend time away from their own families to make this experience enriching for our students. Additionally, a huge thank you to our parent volunteers who have taken time off work to oversee and support the safety and well-being of all students.

From exploring local environments to engaging with broader communities, these camps help our students to build lifelong skills and grow into capable, informed citizens. We are looking forward to seeing them thrive at Waihi and carry these lessons with them into their futures!

Ngā mihi
Debbie Currie
Tumuaki/Principal

UPCOMING DATES

Thursday 7th November -
Inter-Music Day

Friday 8th November -
Whānau Concert at MIS

Monday 11th Nov - Friday 15th -
CAMP Week 1 Mangawhero

Thursday 14th November -
Ngā Rangatira mō Āpōpō Trip

Monday 18th Nov - Friday 22nd -
CAMP Week 2 Waihou

Tuesday 19th November -
Inter-Lacrosse

CHOIR WINS BRONZE

On Thursday, 11 of our choir students went to the Kids' Sing competition in Hamilton. We are really proud of our students and how they represented us. They worked really hard and it shows as we received a bronze award!! Ka pai tō mahi! Keep shining!!

Thank you to Whaea Melody for all your hard work and dedication to boosting our choir to this point. We can't wait to see what heights we can get to now that our feet are off the ground!



MATAMATA INTERMEDIATE ORIENTATION DAY

We will be welcoming our Year 6 students who will be joining the MIS whānau in 2025.

They will be able to experience some of what happens at MIS and meet their new teacher and class for 2025. Parents are welcome to join us.

WEDNESDAY 4TH DECEMBER
- 9:15 AM ARRIVAL -



At 7:00pm, there will be a parent information evening in the staff room for those who are unable to attend Orientation in the day.

MEDICATION

Spring is in the air, and so is the pollen! Please ensure to provide your student with adequate antihistamine before school to protect them throughout the day. We aren't able to give oral antihistamines out to relieve hayfever.

As it is getting warmer, and athletics and other sports are taking place, please ensure that your student carries an up to date and full inhaler on them if they suffer asthma.

INTER-INTERMEDIATE KAPA HAKA

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari kē he toa takitini - my success should not be bestowed onto me alone, it was not individual success but the success of a collective. Yesterday our Te Ropu Atamira performance Kapa haka group went to Rototuna to perform at the Inter Intermediate Kapa Haka festival. Proud is an understatement! Ka pai tō mahi team.



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GUMBOOT FRIDAY

Gumboot Friday is a day to raise money for free counselling for young people in New Zealand. The non-uniform day here at Matamata Intermediate last Friday was specifically fundraising money for Starfish Social Services which is a health and well-being centre here in Matamata.

The idea behind wearing gumboots is because when someone is dealing with depression and mental health challenges it can feel like walking through mud every day. We took part in some fun activities wearing our Gumboots at lunchtime today!

Thank you Starfish Health & Wellbeing Centre for our beautiful gift of custom designed gumboots, we love them bro!



COOK ISLANDS TRIP

Kia orana... at the start of Term 4, a group of 16 students from MIS took part in our inaugural trip to the Cook Islands. It was epic, we explored land, sea and everything in between. We had the privilege of working with a number of locals making ei's, pareu and even preparing our own umu. We got to eat our breakfast watching the whales and we were lucky enough to swim with a turtle. Our students had a number of compliments from our hosts, tour guides and fellow guests on how well behaved they were. Our students were true ambassadors for our school and demonstrated our CCC culture while abroad. Meitaki to our adult helpers who made this opportunity happen.



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COMMUNITY NOTICES



Artist Irie-Maria Witika

Matamata Intermediate School

6 - 17 NOVEMBER 2024

Community Gallery

WWW.MORRINSVILLEGALLERY.ORG.NZ

167 THAMES
STREET,
MORRINSVILLE

OPEN 10AM-3PM TUES TO FRI &
11AM-3PM WEEKENDS

During 6th-17th November, Matamata Intermediate students art is exhibited at the Morrinsville Art Gallery. The exhibition includes artworks of students that have created 'Bodies in Motion' inspired by the Olympics and style of Futurism. Alongside this are students 'Self portraits' inspired by the artist Kehinde Wiley and 'Pop Art' inspired by Romero Britto. Finally there is a display of 'Identity Art' where students created a symbolic piece of art that required animals, culture and environment to represent their identity. Please come and enjoy this celebration of identity, self-expression and creativity.

Whānau Concert
Friday 8th November

Doors open at 6:15PM
for a 6:30PM start

PERFORMANCES BY:

Concert Band
Choir
Drumline
Rock Band

School Hall
Matamata
Intermediate