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Whakapou Korero

NEWSLETTER
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Dear Parents, Caregivers, Whanau Whanui

We Need Your Nominations for the School Board of Trustees!

Parent elections are coming up, and we're looking for nominations! This is a great opportunity to get involved and help support our school community. You don't need to be an expert—just someone who cares about our school and wants to make a positive difference. If you or someone you know would be a great voice on the board, we'd love to hear from you. You don't need any special experience—just a willingness to listen, learn, and be part of the team. Every voice counts, and we'd love to see more parents get involved! Nomination forms and information were sent home with your child, if you did not receive them, please check their bags or request another from the school office.

St Joseph's Catholic School Matata School Board Elections

Parent Election Notice

Nominations are open for the election of **3 x parent representatives** to the school board.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form. Use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community. You will also receive a nomination cover letter calling for nominations. Information on who is not eligible to be a board member is provided with this notice, and the nomination form.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office.

Nominations close at noon on **Wednesday the 13th of August 2025**. You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at 4pm on *17 September 2025*

Signed
Elizabeth Marr
Returning Officer

CONDOLENCES are extended to the whanau of Brian Reid who passed away recently. Brian is Kahurangi's Koro, may he rest in peace.

WITH DEEPEST
Sympathy

BIRTHDAY WISHES for August go to Louis, Rkuilaa, Kellez and Tane. Hope you all have a fabulous day celebrating your birthdays.

We are sending lots of aroha and prayers for our Jawvin who is in Starship Hospital at the moment. We wish him a speedy recovery and return to home soon.



SCIENCE ROADSHOW: The whole school will be attending the Science Roadshow tomorrow in Whakatane from 10.40 to 11.50am travelling by school bus. Please ensure all students are in their correct uniforms including footwear.



LIFE EDUCATION: Whaea Jacquie, the Educator for the EBOP Life Education Trust, and Harold are visiting our school today and next Monday. Life Education Trust is a charity that works to educate and inspire tamariki and rangatahi to embrace positive choices for a healthy mind and body. They offer schools a shared planning approach to ensure their teaching complements the school health curriculum so that the individual learning needs of classes are met. You can check out more about LIFE EDUCATION and its program at <http://www.lifeeducation.org.nz/> and <https://www.lifeeducation.org.nz/what-we-teach>

After visiting Harold and the mobile classroom, the tamariki might like to continue their learning at home by visiting our website for kids www.healthyharold.org.nz Information for parents of Senior children is also available attached to your newsletter.



Te Wharengaio and Chreation solving number jigsaw of solar planet and Tara constructing solar planet display.



*Let us try to
keep God with us
by charity in thought,
word and act...* 15. September. 1890

SAINT MARY MACKILLOP - Feast Day 8 August

The Feast Day of Mary MacKillop is on August 8th. It is celebrated annually on this date, regardless of the day of the week, to commemorate the anniversary of her passing.

Our Senior class has been busy enhancing their Research skills. There is an added requirement that they restrict themselves to just the relevant details and illustrations that not only fulfils the necessary tasks asked of them but also keeps printing to a minimum with optimum use of space.

Big **thank you** to Akatea Ltd and Mr Murphy for the removal of the large tree in the corner of our school field that had seen better days. It was a big job and the work you did was amazing. So thank you for your hard work.



**ENJOY
YOUR
Weekend**