

May 2025

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Kia Ora whanau

Winter is certainly on its way as temperatures drop & the ugly winter bugs start making their unwanted appearance.
Regardless of the weather, & germs it has been a great term so far!

Rangitaiki Interschool Rugby & Netball Day went extremely well, whilst the Netball was played at Te Teko school, we hosted the Rugby here at the Matata Rugby club. A fantastic day was had by all, our tamariki played well, played fair, & had fun. We were able to raise funds from the kai stall which enables us to keep school trips, camps etc at a very low & more affordable cost. A huge thank you to our parents, & our "volun-tolds" for your continued support, it certainly helps things to run smoothly, & is much appreciated.

The show of support from our tamariki & whanau for Pink Shirt Day was awesome, Pink Shirt Day is an international awareness day against bullying, promoting kindness & inclusion. We raised \$80 to donate towards the cause, well done whanau!

Our tamariki braved the weather on Monday to do Cross Country, despite the weather they were in good spirits and gave it their best, well done tamariki ma! It was great to see parent & whanau here supporting also.

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank our Support Staff. Due to our busy schedule we were unable to celebrate them on National Support Staff Day. However, they play an important & vital role in the running of our school. Thank you, team, you are appreciated!

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He iwi KŌTAHI tātou. Working together as one.

KOTAHI VALUES

OUR KOTAHI VALUES FOCUS FOR THIS TERM IS "KO"

K = KIA MANA MOTUHAKE – BEING MOTIVATED ACHIEVERS

O = Owning our Learning and actions – Powerful Learners

KO TE MANU E KAI ANA TE MIRO NONA TE NGAHERE,

KO TE MANU E KAI ANA TE MATAURANGA NONA TE AO!

THE FOREST BELONGS TO THE BIRD THAT FEASTS ON THE BERRIES,

THE WORLD BELONGS TO THE BIRD THAT FEASTS ON KNOWLEDGE!

Reminder again regarding school uniform, The Teal polo shirt and Black bottoms. The school uniform tops are available in the office. They are \$15 each.

Any plain tidy black bottoms are fine, and a plain black jersey now that we are into the cooler months.

Please ensure you like us on Facebook and sign up to the Skool Loop App to keep in touch with what is happening here at school. If you are not in your child's class "Messenger Group" please see their teacher and become part of the class chat as teachers are using this for reminders and as a way of contacting parents/caregivers. We do try and keep you informed on events taking place at school and the electronic way seems to be the best way to reach you all. If you do not use Facebook, Messenger or Skool Loop then please ensure you keep in touch with the school so we can get information to you on events concerning your child/ren.

Have a wonderful long weekend whanau!

Thanks,

Tania Raynes – Principal

We would like to acknowledge and thank our Valued School Sponsors



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Upcoming Events/Activities

May 30th - TOD

June 2nd - Kings Birthday

June 12th – EBOP X Country

June 19th – Matariki Market Day

June 20th - Matariki

June 27th – Last day of Term

School Uniform:

Uniform tops can be purchased from the School Office for \$15.00 each (sizes 6-16).

Absentees:

If your child is absent please send a message via skool loop or phone or email the school to advise or text your child's teacher – remember to give a reason for an absence. Our absentee records go to the Ministry of Education now so we would rather put a genuine reason than an unknown absence.

Matata Public School Bank Account: 12 3253-0080452-00

Please use student name and a description as a reference when depositing. eg: Jack – uniform.

Pink Shirt Day 2025

