

MATAMATA KĀHUI AKO

TERM ONE
PĀNUI #2
2025

Kia ora e te whānau,

The end of a busy term is rapidly approaching and it is always a chance to reflect.

During the term, our community came together to show support with the loss of Sarie. It was heartwarming to see the different ways a wide range of people connected and celebrated the life of a beautiful young lady.

This newsletter contains some reflection and also information looking ahead.

Kāhui Ako hui workshops are now underway. These have been a great way to connect with those of you who have been able to attend. The Maths PLD day, was a highlight with over 100 school staff joining to spend the day together.

We hope you find time to read through this newsletter and then enjoy your break. See you in Term 2!

Ngā mihi,
Debbie.



CURRICULUM STATEMENT

As part of Matamata Kāhui Ako, we are committed to providing a rich, engaging, and equitable learning experience for all our students, across all our schools.

Together, as a group of schools, we see the curriculum as providing a clear sequence of learning for our students from year 0-13. As you may have seen in the media, the government is currently revising all curriculum areas.

Each area is divided into phases which provide a clear progression of learning and clear expectations of what students should understand, know and do at each year level. This year, we are focusing on English and Mathematics.

As a Kāhui Ako, we are currently working on professional development for our teachers and are waiting for the Ministry of Education to provide guidance on what assessment and reporting will look like.

We are dedicated to creating consistent languaging on how we communicate student achievement to help understanding as your child moves from primary to college.

INTRODUCING LAURA FISHER - ASL

Kia ora, ko Laura Fisher taku ingoa. I am a whānau leader and classroom teacher at Matamata Intermediate and have been involved in education within Matamata for the past 15 years. I am excited to come on board as an ASL. As an enthusiastic educator, I am committed to increasing collaboration within our Kāhui Ako and improving success for teachers and students.



OUR VISION

MA TE KAHA, TE MAHITAHİ ME TE MANA HEI WHĀNGAI TE ARA O TE MATAURANGA.

Strengthen, collaborate and empower to foster the pathway of learning.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

The Kāhui Ako aims to provide Professional Learning opportunities for all educators in our community - all are welcome. Your SLT and Within School teachers, have been informed of upcoming PLD opportunities, which are all in alignment with our Strategic Plan and 3 Pou. We hope they are helpful...and to see you there.



Matamata Kāhui Ako - Term 2 Overview ****to note all workshops are on a Thursday at Matamata Intermediate School**

T2	1st May (3.30-4.30pm)	8th May	15th May (full day)	22nd May	29th May (3.30-4.30pm)	6th June (8.30-3.15pm)	12th June (3.30-4.30pm)	19th June	26th June (3.30-4.30pm)	3rd July
	NCEA Maths CAA Prerequisite - What is it? Key info for all educators. Facilitated by Kelly Peterson Strategic reporting due		Making sense of the English Curriculum refresh - (Phase 1 & 2) Where to from here?		PRT Hui Introduction & Connection Facilitated by Across School Leadership Team: EL, JM Maths PLD Facilitated by Across School Leadership Team: LF	Maths PLD TOD Facilitated by MOE	No more marking - a model of moderation Facilitated by Sharyn Merry		Restorative practice TBC Facilitated by Janine MacKay	

PRINCIPAL/SLT HUI

During term 1, our principal/SLT hui discussed two key aspects of Kahui Ako for 2025:

1 - Exploring a means of genuine mana whenua partnership with kura in the Matamata Kāhui Ako, that is sustainable. A partnership that recognises Ngāti Hauā, Ngāti Hinerangi and Ngāti Raukawa as co-governors of our Kāhui Ako and commits to working in partnership to realise the educational aspirations of Mana Whenua.

2 - The importance of shared understanding around assessment with the current curriculum changes (see above statement)

WST HUI

Within School Teachers met as a group for the first time and looked at how their role, within their own school, aligns to the Kāhui Ako Strategic Plan. A key part of their role is communication with their community and sharing up and coming events. Touch base with your school's WST if you would like to know more about what is happening.

MATHS PLD STAFF ONLY DAY #1

Each school, within our Kāhui Ako, is at a different stage of its journey to implement the revised Maths Curriculum. This full Staff Only Day provided time and space for teachers, Principals and Learning Coaches to share and discuss Maths both within their own staff and also across schools. This was the first of 4 days, over the next 2 years, that will continue to build understanding and moderation between our schools. Although the day was aimed at Year 0-8, it was great to have college teachers join us as this is an example of building on a students journey between our schools.



KĀHUI AKO LOGO

Thank you to everyone who entered a logo. We are pleased to share our new logo, which is a combination of all our entries and an explanation.

The circle shape symbolises unity and collaboration representing how we come together, support one another, and move forward as a connected community. Within the circle, the Kaima Ranges and Wairere Falls are powerful symbols of connection, with the Huia (which was often given as a token of friendship and respect) overseeing our journey.



UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

TERM ONE

-Thursday 10th April - SENCO

TERM TWO

-Thursday 1st May - Unpacking the Numeracy CAA Exam

-Thursday 15th May - Making sense of the English Curriculum Refresh (whole day)

Don't forget to check out the new Matamata Kāhui Ako Website!
You can find us at: <https://www.matamata-kahui-ako.skoolsites.co.nz/>