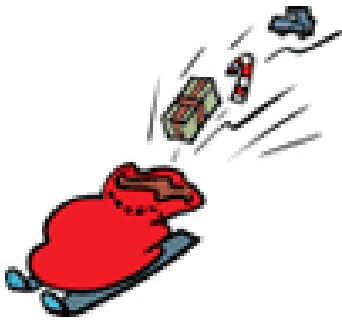


Matamata Intermediate School



Just a short newsletter this week! The student's have had a busy week this week, moving classrooms on Monday, Picnic Day on Tuesday & Graduation Dance for our Year 8 pupils last night. The hall looked amazing once again, thanks to the artistic creativity of Miss and Mrs Dunham who every year create a more fantastic scene than they did the year before! As usual, our Year 8 students went out in style and had a wonderful time at the dance. Thank you to all who worked behind the scenes, along with the parent help we had on the night.

Student Success

Courtney Old played for the U15 winning Waikato netball team against Adelaide on Thursday, 8th December and also has been selected for the Waikato U15 Touch Team which will be travelling to the national tournament being held in Nelson in March of next year. A great effort Courtney, keep your eye on those Silver Ferns!

Fundraising Playground Equipment

Our hardworking committee have been steadily fundraising toward a much needed age appropriate adventure playground - Sausage sizzles, selling of calves – (thank you so much to those who were able to participate, earning \$2,200.00 making our earnings grow considerably) and with a number of activities planned for next year, including planning for a Gala Day in March of 2012 which I will be able to elaborate on further in 2012, planning is well underway. Any great ideas out there will be well received!

2012 Thanks

A special thank you to our parents and community who have supported our school throughout the year. We have received support not only for our school activities but also for our school reunion this year. Thank you also for our reading tutors who have come into the school every week, voluntarily, to help some of our children with their reading. This contribution makes a huge difference not only to these students' reading levels, but also to their lives, the thrill of being able to read and comprehend is a huge step for their progress as they leave the Intermediate.

Dates:

Thursday, 15th December – last student day, main prizegiving (12.30p.m.) and distribution of school reports (reports will not be mailed out, they must be picked up please)

Friday, 16th December – teacher planning day. The school is open and supervision for your child will be available if you are unable to make other arrangements. (No buses available)

Tuesday, Wednesday, 24th, 25th January 9am-5pm – uniform and stationery sales (eft-pos available), no cheques please

Tuesday, 31st January – Year 7 students first day

Wednesday, 1st February – Year 8 students start.

The school will be open the week of 23rd January – 27th January for enrolments, or any enquiries you may have.

Have a safe holiday and we look forward to 2012. A fond farewell to our leaving Year 8 pupils and we wish them the very best for their lives at Secondary School next year!

Marion Henriksen, PRINCIPAL

