



Matamata Intermediate

7th March 2024

Tēnā koutou e te Whānau

As we enter the second half of the term with a cold snap, we continue to focus on learning and our students' progress. Our focus includes an hour of reading, writing and maths, but also on the increased confidence and personal growth of each student. Our vision is **Inspired Learners. Empowered to Achieve**. This is a vision we have for all our students and after reading different Pathway Plans and talking to some of our students about their dreams and aspirations, I can see all kinds of lofty heights to be attained. Thank you to those whānau who were able to join us for the Pathway Planning evening. It was lovely to see so many of you here.

Connection to school and communication with home is key to educational success. With this in mind, it is a good time to remind you that if you have any concerns or questions, please touch base with your classroom teacher. A conversation I had with a parent recently was about what their child should do if they are upset by another student or situation, particularly in the playground. We discussed our pastoral care expectations and that we strive to have every child having a connection with at least one adult, at school. It is important if something happens at school, they tell an adult so that the situation can be addressed. Through our 3C values, we work hard to teach students what are appropriate behaviours and when they get it wrong, work with them to make it right (and learn for next time). We also appreciate that there are values and expectations taught at home and we are thankful for the support we receive when dealing with these situations.

If you get a chance, talk to your child about what the 3C focus has been this week and also what their learning within Reading, Writing and Maths has been. Hopefully, they can remember between the time they finish eating their lunch and getting home!

Mauri Ora
Debbie

UPCOMING DATES

Thursday 7th -19th March
Makuhari Visit

Monday 11th March -
Inter-Intermediate
Swimming

Tuesday 19th March -
Half day due to Union
Meeting

Tuesday 19th March -
Inter-Intermediate Touch

Wednesday 20th March -
Non-Uniform Day
Supporting School Lunches

Tuesday 26th March -
Yr 7 and 8 Immunisations

Tuesday 26th March -
Inter-Intermediate Drama
Day



AIMS GAMES



This is a **National level COMPETITIVE** event designed for students **excelling** in their chosen sport.

To enter an individual NZAIMS sport, a student must be connected with a club and actively training and participating at a high level in their individual sport. It would be up to parents / whanau to arrange transport to and from events.

If your child wishes to enter an INDIVIDUAL SPORT, for NZAIMS, please contact Laura Fisher missfisher@matamataint.school.nz by Friday 5th April.

There was a meeting held yesterday for those interested in team sports. They should have brought a notice home, that will need to be returned.

Intention will be to send teams that will be **COMPETITIVE** and the final decision, on which teams will be entered, will be made by the principal after trials in consultation with TIC, Sports Committee and AIMS guidelines and prerequisites **(based on the capability of the team).**

WHAEA CAROL



We would like to say congratulations to Carol Te Bay. Carol has accepted a position teaching Science and Maths, at Te kura mana Māori o Whangaparaoa. We will miss her at Matamata Intermediate but wish her well with the new part of her journey. Carol is finishing with us in Week 8 so we will farewell her in an assembly, closer to her last day.

PLAYGROUND OBSERVATIONS

Over the next few days, we will be carrying out playground observations to help us look at how we best support our students with behaviours during break times. This is a formal process where we gather evidence to inform our CCC lessons and to look at where support is needed for our students. Once we have completed this process, we will let you know the outcome.

PAID UNION MEETING

NZEI Te Riu Roa members at our school have been invited to the first round of paid union meetings so that we can plan and discuss the next steps in our campaign and the collective agreement negotiations.

NZEI Te Riu Roa leaders are calling paid union meetings for members to discuss and consider important issues, including how we might collectively:

- Ensure the historic Mana Taurite | pay equity process properly values the skills, and intellectual and emotional effort of our work as teachers
- Shape union priorities for 2024

The meeting schedule has been planned so that teachers and principals across the country can work out the best meetings for them to attend. This is to help reduce disruption to teaching programmes, children and parents.

We are attending the afternoon meeting in Matamata on Tuesday 19th March, so we can provide a full morning of learning for our students.

We would appreciate your support by picking up your child at **12:30pm, lunchtime, on Tuesday 19th March.**

Our children deserve the best education in the world, and New Zealand can afford to provide it. It's just a matter of priorities.

Thank you for your co-operation in this important matter.



Let us know your child will be absent and keep up to date with notices and newsletters



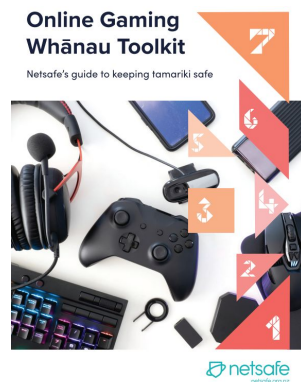
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NETSAFE - Online Safety: Gaming

Eighty percent of tamariki in New Zealand aged 8-17 have played games online. Games can have many benefits: Entertainment, social opportunities, coordination development, problem-solving and multi-tasking skills. But, most of all, gaming is popular because it's fun. But games can be tough for parents and whānau to navigate. How much gaming is too much? How do I make sure my tamariki aren't seeing inappropriate content or chatting in-game with strangers?

Today we're sharing Netsafe's [Online Gaming Whānau Toolkit](#) so you have all the resources you need to keep your kids safe.



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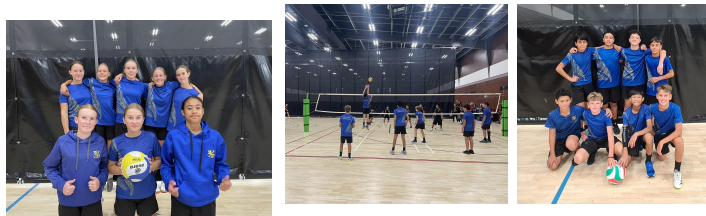
Once we have reached your \$1,000 target we can redeem from a range of sports, technology, literacy and music packages.

Just a reminder of how our school received this donation...

Our school has been nominated by a local business/farm that receives bulk fuel deliveries from Fern, meaning that for every 1000 litres of bulk fuel they purchase \$5 is donated to their nominated school. [Click here](#) if you wish to be involved.

INTER-INTERMEDIATE VOLLEYBALL

Our first Inter-Intermediate sports event for the year was Volleyball on Tuesday. Our girls teams got better across the day but didn't manage to get a win out of their 4 games. The boys won 3 games and lost 1 during pool play, putting them through to the Semi finals. In a close fought game they ended up losing 22-18 to finish 3rd equal



BOWLS

MIS Bowls team had their first training two weeks ago.. Our experienced players did a fabulous job supporting the new players under the expert coaching of Vic and Trish from the Matamata Bowling Club. As a school we appreciate being part of a community that supports our students with opportunities to learn new skills and have fun.



HIGHLIGHTS FROM NOHO KURA



COMMUNITY NOTICES



DREAMWORKS

MADAGASCAR
THE MUSICAL

APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

APRIL 12 - 14
Clarence St Theatre

www.madagascar.co.nz **TICKETEK**



Sunday 10th March 2024
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