10 December 2009 - Week Nine - Term Four

Dear Friends and Families
Here we are at the end of another amazing Marton School year. I would like to acknowledge our Year 8 students who are leaving us and moving onto the next stage in their education. These young people have been a wonderful group who have made a positive contribution to our school. I wish them all the best and know that they are all prepared and capable of success in their future.

The staff wish to say a big thank you for the support you have given your child and our school this year. We can definitely achieve a whole lot more by working together for the education of your child.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and hope you have an enjoyable and safe holiday, with your family and friends.

We look forward to seeing everyone at 9.00 am on Tuesday 2 February.

We welcome Kristine Wesche to our school.

BOT

I regret to inform you that long serving BOT member, Debbie Thomson has tendered her resignation as of Monday 14 December. Our Board wishes to thank Debbie for the contribution she has made to our school, particularly in the area of Finance. Her expertise was highly valued and will be missed.

It is likely that at the Board meeting on Monday night we will choose to fill this vacancy by selection, rather than by-election. The vacancy will then be advertised in the District Monitor. If fewer than 10% of our eligible voters request a by-election; the Board will then go about filling the position. If you are interested in joining our Board, Please contact Bev or Brya through the office.

ERO Report

Enclosed in this newsletter is the unconfirmed community page from our ERO report. This page will remain the same in the final report which will become available over the holidays. Our review is such an outstanding acknowledgement of the work that our school is doing that we want to share this part with you this year.

Rangitikei Rose Show

Members of Room 3 and 4 entered floral arrangements in 13 categories at the Rangitikei Rose Society annual show with outstanding results.
Participation: Kain Myer-Scott, Emily Tysoe, Clayton Atkinson, Betty-Joe Hamahona, Joey Hamahona, Sophie Atkinson, Mason Parker, Autumn Gee and Phoebe Torrie.
Third: Jordan Maaka, Areta Paulger, Kim Gust, Isaiah Tuau, Cerys Moore, Katarina Kinloch and Jacob Paul.
Second: Kim Gust, Grayson Belk, Andrew Campbell, Riley Boyle, Atreau Samuels, Emma Collins and Paula Hamahona.
First: Isaiah Tuau, Sonny Mitchell and Ben Kells.
Ben Kells also won the 'Miss B Purnell's Memorial Trophy' for best Childrens Exhibit with his egg plant Penguin.
Edd Forrest also entered with outstanding results—1 third, 1 second and 5 firsts! He also won the Taihape Rose Members Trophy for the most points.
Congratulations Edd.
Every year there are three floral shows in Marton—The Daffodil Show, Spring Show and Rose Society Show. There are always lots of categories for children to enter. I would encourage all children at Marton School to have a go.

Regards Brya Dixon

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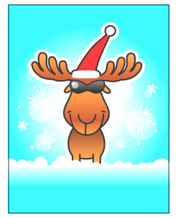
End of Term/Year Assemblies

We hope you are able to attend these special occasions to recognise outstanding Students, their achievements and contributions.

Friday 11 December:1.30 pm	Sports Awards and Prize Giving
Tuesday 15 December: 11.30 am:	Service Awards: Librarians, Road Patrollers, Choir and Kapa Haka

Office Hours: Start of 2010

Our office will be available on Wednesday 28, Thursday 29 and Friday 30 January from 9am—12 noon.



Yummy Fruit Stickers and Coupons

Don't forget to keep collecting during the holidays.

ICAS Results for English and Mathematics

We now have the results for these two exams. A big congratulations to all who participated. They received their certificates at last Friday's assembly.

English

Jack Hunter	Participation
Eva McPhail	Participation
Makuini Paulger	Participation
Laura Thomson	Participation

Mathematics

Kaleb Ngatoa	Participation
Kim Gust	Participation
Jack Hunter	Participation
Caitlin McAleece	Participation
Eva McPhail	Credit
Bryant Galpin	Participation
Jaimee Phillipson	Participation
Laura Thomson	Participation

Overall our students have achieved well in the ICAS exams and can be proud of their achievements. Next year we would like to encourage more of our students to participate as they are a neat way to challenge themselves and be rewarded.
Mrs Low, ICAS Co-ordinator 2009

"Caught Being Good"

Jessica Sewell
Jakob Jeffrey
Jamiroquai Samuel
Kendra Pekamu
Mikayla Walker
Manaia Katene
Emily Tysoe
Tieren Stevens
Lavinia Ainea
Taneesha McIntyre
Petera Kamariera-Hoani
Manaia Samuel-Kereti
Olivia Coss-Te Awe Awe
Absent; Ben Cornick and Sam Davey

Community News

Christmas Disco

Marton Scout Jamboree Fundraiser
Friday 11 December 7—9 pm
8 to 14 year old—37 Cuba Street
Entry $2—Children must be dropped off and picked up by an adult.
Glow sticks, drinks, chocolate and chips available to purchase.

2010 Dates

Term 1	Tuesday 2 February—Thursday 1 April
Term 2	Monday 19 April—Friday 2 July
Term 3	Monday 19 July—Friday 24 September
Term 4	Monday 11 October—Wednesday 15 December

Payment of School Fees, Levies, Swimming and Technology Fees

There is only 8 more school days to make these payments. I remind you that Swimming and Technology accounts are subsidised by the school and have already been paid to the Swimshed and Rangitikei College. Unpaid fees take money from other areas of school life!

We thank those families who have paid their fees!

Weekly Challenge

Junior Team	Alex Hainsworth
Middle Team	Ashaya Smith
Senior Team	Natasha O'Regan

Marton School STARS

Congratulations to the following people who have been making positive choices:
Silver Award; Sade Scott

Rangitikei College Scholarships

Congratulations to the following who received scholarships: Mikayla Walker $400, Jaimee Phillipson $200, Tori Tuau $100 and Bryant Galpin $100.

IMPORTANT TERM 4 DATES

* **Friday 11 December: Prize Giving 1.30 pm**
* **Friday 11 December: Learning Journeys go home**
* **Tuesday 15 December: Service Awards 11.30 am**
* **Tuesday 15 December: Last day of Term 4: School finishes at 12.30 pm**
* **Tuesday 2 February: First Day of School 2010**