

# 29 July 2010 - Week Two - Term Three

Dear Friends and Families

We have had an excellent start to the term, with the children being really settled and quickly back into learning mode.

We have lots going on at the moment with our normal classroom focus, both production and extension mathex practices occurring daily and teachers and students preparing for conferences.

Mrs Toulmin will be teaching Room 2 in the afternoons for the next few weeks, while Miss Warren co-ordinates all the classes for production. We will advise you soon when tickets will be on sale.

We welcome Jairah, Rappha, Danielle, Erica and Leon to our school.

## Community Notices

### Disco

**Friday 6 August**  
5.30pm—6.45pm Years 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5  
Marton School Hall

Fundraiser for Darwie Tasker to go to the UK for a Gap Year.

### AGM Rangitikei Primary Schools Rugby Union

Thursday 29 July, 7.30—Taihape Area School  
Re: Under 13, under 55kg team for Wellington Tournament  
Enquiries Stephen Lewis Ph: 3228 210.

## School Fees

School fees are a donation that families are asked to contribute to support your child/rens education. They are tax deductible.

At Marton School we try to keep this reasonable and it has been at the same level for the last three years. The fee of \$35.00 per child or \$70.00 for a family provides funds that directly support learning.

So far this year we have received 58% of the school donations. This has contributed \$1,856.00 to our school budget. It is preferable to receive this payment as soon as possible in the year so it supports the learning for this year.

If you wish to pay this donation, you can do this at our school office.

## Student Achievement

We are really proud to share our student achievement information with you. Over the year we measure the progress our students have made in relation to their achievement in specific areas. These school-wide measurements take place in February, June and November, in line with our reporting back to you at conferences and with Learning Journeys. This week focuses on Writing and Spelling.

### WRITING: Whole School

Our **Year 2, 3 and 5 students** are **ALL** achieving **AT or ABOVE** expectation.

Other year groups have approximately **80% of students** achieving at or above expectation.

Our **Year 2 girls** and **Year 3 Boys and Girls** have **SIGNIFICANT** numbers of students achieving **ABOVE** expectation in Term 2.

**EVERY** year group, gender and ethnicity has **improved** from Term 1 achievement to Term 2 achievement.

### SPELLING: Year 4—8 students only

In Term 1, **57%** of students were spelling at or above their chronological age.

In Term 2, **62%** of students are spelling at or above their chronological age.

**Year 4** students are achieving well and showed a **SIGNIFICANT INCREASE** in students spelling **AT** their chronological age in Term 2.

**Year 6 and Year 7** students showed a **SIGNIFICANT INCREASE** in the students spelling **ABOVE** their chronological age.

## Parent, Teacher, Student Conferences

We are really looking forward to sharing your child's progress with you at our conferences.

We have had an excellent response to our invitation to attend conferences in Week 4. If you have not yet informed us of when you would prefer to come you can still do so. Please contact your child's teacher.

## Winter Sports Draws

### Netball

Marton A vs BYE  
10.00 Marton B vs James Cook B  
11.00 Marton C vs Bulls C  
Marton D vs Hunterville D

### Basketball

Year 5 & 6 Tuesday 3 August  
4.45 Marton Leopards vs Sth Makirikiri

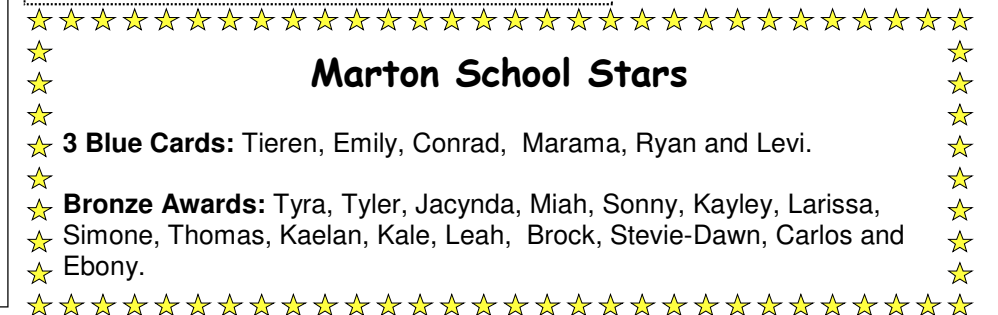
### Hockey

Friday 30 July  
11 aside 6.30pm Marton vs Hunterville 2 FHS  
Saturday 31 July  
8aside 9.00am Marton Red vs St Matthews CP  
9.40am Marton Black vs Sth Mak Eagles CP  
6 aside 10.20am Marton Red vs Marton White CP 1



## Marton School Mathex

Please note our school Mathex is on Tuesday 3 August - 11.30am—12.30pm, NOT Wednesday as indicated in last week's newsletter's Important Term 3 Dates. Parents are welcome to observe the students problem solve questions in groups of 5 to win the challenge.



## Marton School Stars

★ **3 Blue Cards:** Tieren, Emily, Conrad, Marama, Ryan and Levi.

★ **Bronze Awards:** Tyra, Tyler, Jacynda, Miah, Sonny, Kayley, Larissa, Simone, Thomas, Kaelan, Kale, Leah, Brock, Stevie-Dawn, Carlos and Ebony.

## Weekly Challenge

### Last Weeks Winners

**Junior** Tyla  
**Middle** Tyra  
**Senior** No

## Assembly

Our assemblies are held fortnightly on Friday at **2.20pm**, starting Friday 30 July. Please note last week there was an error that said assembly started at 2.00pm.

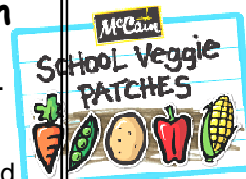
## Gardening With McCain

We will be collecting barcodes from McCain frozen vegetables or Purely Potato packs for the next 3 months.

500g—800g bags = 5 points

1 kg—2 kg bags = 10 points

With the points we earn the school will get free seeds and gardening equipment to maintain our vegetable gardens. Please place your bar codes in the McCain Vegetable Box at the school office.



## "Caught Being Good"

Angel, Taneesha, Angela, Charles, Kian, Mackenzie, Naudis and Tyler.



## IMPORTANT TERM 3 DATES

\* **Thursday 29 July: 3 Way Conference Info due back at school**  
\* **Friday 30 July: Assembly and Tuck Shop Open**  
\* **Tuesday 3 August: Marton School Mathex**  
\* **Tuesday 10 and Wednesday 11 August: 3 Way Conferences & Book Fair**  
\* **Friday 13 August: Palmerston North Mathex**  
\* **Wednesday 18 August: Cluster Spelling Competition**  
\* **Tuesday 17 and Wednesday 18 August: Production Performances**  
\* **Thursday 26 August: Starlab Visit**  
\* **Tuesday 7 September: Year 7 & 8 Quad Tournament**  
\* **Thursday 9 September: Year 5 & 6 Quad Tournament**  
\* **Monday 20 September—Friday 24 September: Life Education**  
\* **Friday 24 September: End of Term 3**

Regards Brya Dixon  
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