

## 01 December 2011 - Week Six - Term 4

Dear Friends and Families

Here we are at the 1<sup>st</sup> December and hoping to finally have some warmer weather. This is Week 6 and we only have 2 more weeks of school this year.

It has been another great week, with elections for our School Council being held, our senior students participating in the Cluster Softball Tournament tomorrow and the Christmas Parade on Saturday.

We have had great feedback about our new logo, even though the write up in the paper had a couple of typo's.

Good luck to everyone taking part in the Biggest Loser. We hope you are all still focused and working hard.

Our end of year celebrations are coming up with the Year 8 Dinner next Wednesday, Service Assembly on Friday 9 December and Prize Giving on Wednesday 14 December. I hope you will be able to make it to these special occasions where we acknowledge the efforts and achievements of our students.

### 2012 Staffing

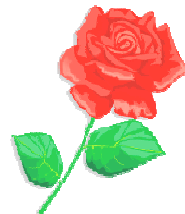
We are pleased to advise our families that Mrs Nicki Shannon has accepted a teaching position for 2012. Nicki has been a teacher aide in our school for the last two years and also relieves in our junior rooms when teachers are away. We look forward to having her on our staff in this teaching role.

### Rose Show

Congratulations to all our students who participated in this event which was held last weekend. Marton School had over 75 entries, with many of these being recognised with awards:

**Prize List:**

Taihape Rose Members Trophy (most points 14 and under)	Paige
Poutama Cup (Children's Champion Bloom)	Iris
Miss Purnell's Memorial Trophy	Lenny



### Junior Bike and Trike Day

On Friday, many of our Room 7 & 8 students, their teachers and Constable Wright braved the windy conditions to be outside showing off their wheel skills. It was great to see so many students taking part in this opportunity and we appreciate parents bringing bikes, trikes and scooters to school.

### Caught Being Good"

**Week 5**

Sophie  
Cyanne  
Ethan  
Emily  
Sam  
Alex  
Phoenix  
Stella



### Student Council

On Monday twenty-eight students (four from each Year 1 – 7) delivered campaign speeches in their bid to be elected to our School Council.

Every candidate from Year 1 up, had thought about why students should vote for them and what they could contribute to our school. They were confident and articulate in presenting their ideas. All the students were extremely passionate about our school and committed to making it even better.

Congratulations to all the candidates and in particular to the following who were successful in being voted in by their peers:

Aazaria, Damien, Ellie, Rhyanna, Sian, Tahlia, Rawinia, Caleb, Ieuan, Jesse, Sophie, Kian, Sonny and Biancha.

It was a great opportunity, following our general election to get our students voting.

### Helpers Morning Tea

It was great to see those of you who could make it to our helpers' morning tea today. This is our chance to say THANK YOU to parents who have supported our students and school. If you weren't able to be there we want you to know we really appreciate your assistance.

### Book Amnesty

Please return any books that you have at home belonging to Marton School—no questions asked! These include library books, journals, Reading Recovery Books and any others you may have.

### Telecom Storybooks For Schools

Have you considered changing the way you receive your Telecom account? Why not change it to email. By doing so, you can nominate Marton School to receive free storybooks for our school. Just visit [www.telecom.co.nz/billstostorybooks](http://www.telecom.co.nz/billstostorybooks)

### Pumpkin Seedlings For Sale

Mr Harvey has crown pumpkin seedlings for sale \$1.00. Similar seedlings sell for \$3.00 in shops. All proceeds come back to School.

### Christmas Float

A group of hardworking parents and teachers have been busy working on our entry for this year's Christmas Parade. It promises to be a spectacular effort!

Unfortunately, I'm not able to be there on Saturday (as I am attending my parents' 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary), but I hope that many of you can make it.

### Community Notices

#### Marton Christmas Party In The Park 2011

Saturday 3 December, 5—9 pm  
Enquiries: PH: 027 246 3263

### Hangi

A huge THANK YOU to Mr Koteka who organised our hangi last week. It was another very successful fundraiser for our school.

We would also like to thank:

Francis Wilson for supplying the firewood  
Sonny for his support and use of his pit, Mr Matakatea, New World, John Abraham, Petera Hoani and the Gust and Te Huia families.

### Marton School STARS

**3 Blue Cards:** Jessica, Kasia and Skye.

**Bronze Awards:** Madison, Harrison, John, Libby, Zara, Jano, Amy, Muskan, Sam, Sam, Michael, Mahalia, Liam, Levi, Djay, Conrad, Calais, Gordon, Abby, Angela, William, Tieren, Meilani, Marama, Ieuan and Sophie.

**Silver Awards:** Bailey-Wayne, Taika, Cooper, Jack, Nina, Paige, Miah, Kian and Sophie.

**Gold Awards:** Tahlia, Kaelan, Leah, Damien, Cerys-Ann, Te Manawa, Summer, Sarah, Thomas, Mackenzie and Miah.

**Principal's Award:** Sarah.

**Cultural STAR Award:** Ashaya and Grayson.

**Academic Badge Award:** Sarah.

**Citizenship Badge:** Kian.

### IMPORTANT TERM 4 DATES

<p>* <b>Friday 2 December:</b></p> <p>* <b>Friday 9 December:</b></p> <p>* <b>Wednesday 7 December:</b></p> <p>* <b>Friday 9 December</b></p> <p>* <b>Tuesday 13 December:</b></p> <p>* <b>Wednesday 14 December:</b></p> <p>* <b>Thursday 15 December:</b></p>	<p><b>Cluster Softball—Years 7/8</b></p> <p><b>Biggest Loser Final Weigh In</b></p> <p><b>Year 8 Dinner</b></p> <p><b>Service Assembly</b></p> <p><b>Learning Journeys Go Home</b></p> <p><b>BOT Meeting</b></p> <p><b>Prize Giving</b></p> <p><b>Last Day: School Finishes 12.30pm</b></p>
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*Regards Brya Dixon*

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