

04 August 2011 - Week One - Term Three

Dear Friends and Families

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope you had a great holiday and enjoyed the sunny weather of the first week and the amazing cold snap at the start of the second. This is a 10 week term which promises to be full of excitement and learning.

We are looking forward to:

- ⇒ Sharing our learning with you at 3 Way Conferences
- ⇒ Participating in a Cluster Explorers Programme for Writing with Stu Duval
- ⇒ Participating in our own school Mathex and regional competitions
- ⇒ Working with Super Grans in our gardens
- ⇒ Writing and presenting our speeches
- ⇒ Competing in Cluster Events: the Spelling Competition and Quad Tournament for Years 5 - 8
- ⇒ Displaying our super art work and
- ⇒ Competing in our own Ripper Rugby World Cup and Best Dressed Fan Day.

More information will be available in newsletters as we get closer to events but dates are included in 'Important Dates' at the end of this newsletter.

We welcome Malachi and Jaleel, John and Natasha to our school.

Virtue: **COMMUNITY**

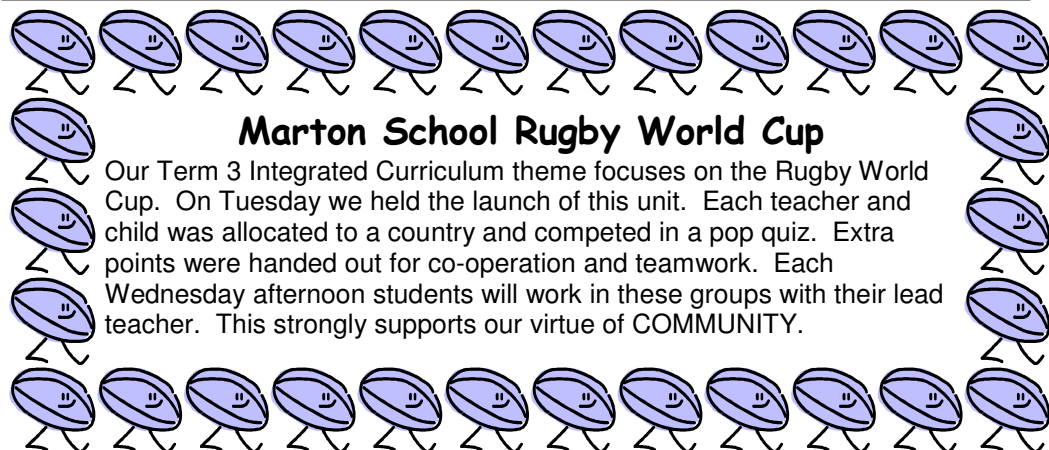
COMMUNITY is working together for the good of everyone. It is about supporting others and wanting to make a difference. It is joining in (participating) with others in order to do something (contributing) that cannot be done alone. You feel connected to everyone and everything in your community (belonging).

You're Invited To 3 Way Conferences: Wednesday 17 & Thursday 18 August

On Tuesday your child will have brought home an invitation to attend our 3 Way Conferences. This is such an important event! As one of our parents said "It is not just me as a parent finding out how my child is progressing but it is a chance for them to be really proud and share what they have learnt". In Term 1 we had a 91% turnout—it would be great if we could do even better. Replies are due by Monday 8 August so teachers can allocate you a preferred time.

School will be closing at 2.00pm on both days to allow time for teachers to meet all parents.

Students who cannot go home can be supervised until 3.00pm in the library. For the safety of all our students we ask you to tell us what arrangements you want.



Marton School Rugby World Cup

Our Term 3 Integrated Curriculum theme focuses on the Rugby World Cup. On Tuesday we held the launch of this unit. Each teacher and child was allocated to a country and competed in a pop quiz. Extra points were handed out for co-operation and teamwork. Each Wednesday afternoon students will work in these groups with their lead teacher. This strongly supports our virtue of COMMUNITY.

STARS

A new addition to the Marton School landscape appeared over the holidays; our STARS at the front entrance.

These colourful STARS represent the qualities for our Marton School learners:

- * Self Motivated
- * Takes Risks
- * Articulate
- * Resilient
- * Solves Problems

We hope this ensures our community know and understand what is important in our school.

Keep watching though as we are working on our new school logo too.



Book Fair

School Office
Monday 8—
Thursday 18 August
8.30am—3.30pm
and also during the
3 Way Conferences.
Please come and
have a look at the
books.

Children will be
bringing a wish list
home—there is no
obligation to buy.

Pool Open

The Rangitikei Active Pool is open for August and September.

The hours will be—

Monday	6am—7 pm	
Wednesday	6am—7pm	
Friday	6am—5 pm	
Sunday	1pm—5pm.	

Swimming lessons available from 8 August. Phone 327 8359.

Parents and Friends Meeting
Tuesday 9 August, 7 pm,
at Ward Furniture

Netball Draw

A Team	10.30am	vs Bulls A	Ct 1
B Team	10.30am	vs Ratana A	Ct 2
C Team	Bye		
D Team	11.30am	vs Bulls C	Ct 2
Kiwi	10.30am	vs Bulls 2	Ct 3

Hockey Draw

Friday 5 August			
11 aside	7.30pm	vs Hunterville M	FHS
Saturday 6 August			
4 Aside	10.20am	vs St Matts Kiwi	CP
6 Aside	9.00am	Marton Thunderbirds vs Bulls	CP
	9.40am	Marton Red vs Sth Mak Tuis	CP

Basketball Draw Tuesday 9 August—Year 7 & 8

4.30pm Marton Cheetahs vs Marton Panthers
Please note: There are still some outstanding sports fees—please pay these at the office immediately.

Parenting Special—Ian Grant Seminar

Building Great Families

Raising happy confident children who know the boundaries
Wednesday 10 August—7.30pm at Feilding Civic Centre
Concert Chamber

Tickets: \$10 single \$15 double—available from Manchester House, Feilding

Marton School Super STARS

Congratulations to Kaleb who represented our school in a Karting Competition in the holidays and finished in fourth place. Kaleb was one of 28 karters competing in Hamilton. Despite some tough starting positions including one of 26th on the grid, he once again showed our STARS qualities to come through.



Absences

If your child is not going to be at school please either ring us on 327 8555 or text us on 027 211 3009. The Ministry of Education require us to enter a reason for every absence so we need to know why the child is away. Your help by contacting us saves a huge amount of time for our office staff. Thanks for your support.

IMPORTANT TERM 3 DATES

- * **Thursday 11 & Friday 12 August: Cluster Explorers Writing with Author / Artist Stu Duval**
- * **Wednesday 17 & Thursday 18 August: 3 Way Conferences**
- * **Friday 19 August: Palmerston North Mathex**
- * **Monday 22 August: Maths Parent / Student Evening**
- * **Tuesday 23 August: Cluster Spelling Competition**
- * **Monday 29 August—Wednesday 31 August: Wanganui Science Fair**
- * **Tuesday 30 August: Marton School Mathex**
- * **Friday 2 September: Teacher Only Day—SCHOOL CLOSED**
- * **Friday 9 September: Assembly—Speech Finals**
- * **Thursday 15 September: Wanganui Mathex**
- * **Friday 23 September: Assembly**
- * **Tuesday 27 September: Cluster Quad Tournament: Year 7 & 8**
- * **Wednesday 28 September: HPV Injections**
- * **Thursday 29 September: Cluster Quad Tournament: Year 5 & 6**
- * **Friday 30 September: Marton School Rugby World Cup Champ**
- * **Monday 3—Friday 7 October: Marton School Visual Arts Display**
- * **Friday 7 October: Best Dressed Fan Day**

Assembly

NB: Assemblies weeks 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10

Regards Brya Dixon

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