



# NEWSLETTER No. 13

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

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We are very grateful for the ongoing support we receive from The Warehouse, sponsoring our weekly 'Student of the Week' and enabling us to purchase items at reduced costs to support our students in their education. Last week we were presented with a cheque for \$352.85 being further proceeds from plastic bag sales at the Whakatane store. Receiving the cheque are a group of Matai students who also benefit from the large TV on the wall behind them which was donated to the Special Education Unit from The Warehouse.

**Many thanks Warehouse– we appreciate your support!**

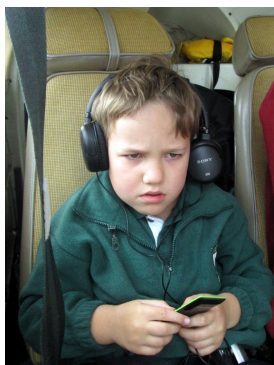
Our **"GROWING GREAT LEARNERS"** focus this week is **'doing what we are asked quickly and respectfully'**.

This is important in the classroom but also at home to make everything run smoothly with no unnecessary dramas. You might like to reinforce this expectation at home this week.

Friday is testing day for **Spellathon** so even if your child has not gathered many sponsors, they can still see how well they have achieved in mastering their spelling words. If they have sponsorship, let's hope for a great result!



Last Friday two more of our Matai students had the opportunity to enjoy a flight over Whakatane, the school, their homes in Awatapu and Edgumbe and generally see Whakatane from the sky **courtesy of Child Flights**. Tiarete was accompanied by his Nan Cathy and Robert by his dad Tony along with teacher aide Leola.





We are well served by the KidsCan trust who supply food, raincoats, shoes, nit treatment and combs and this year, wet weather pants. KidsCan is a targeted support programme to meet the needs of those children whose families could do with extra help to enable the children to attend school every day warm, dry and with food in their tummies to prepare them for their learning day. If you need some help and we have not provided for your child, please let us know.

We are always delighted to hear of the successes of our past pupils. Last week Matthew Sells, son of Mrs Sells in Rata and husband David, graduated from Massey University with a Bachelor of Engineering with Honours degree, majoring in Chemical Engineering. Matthew is now progressing to post graduate studies. We join his proud parents in wishing him congratulations!



For the remainder of this week I will be attending the NZEI / Tai Tokerau Principals' conference in Waitangi. Mrs Dakin will be Acting Principal in my absence.



Yesterday four of our e Learning committee staff attended an ICT expo day in Taupo to see the latest innovations, hardware and trends in e learning. These events are always worth attending to ensure we are keeping abreast of new directions and meeting the needs of our students in e learning.



**After some earlier confusions we can confirm that from now to the end of the season netball practices for the James Street Aces will be held on Thursdays after school from 3.00 – 4.00pm and on Fridays at lunchtime.**

**Alizae's Koro went hunting** at Omataroa and shot a stag with this impressive pair of antlers. With so many of our families skilled in this sport the children were very interested in seeing the antlers close up and especially with how heavy they are.



Kind regards

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