

*Please be aware that sometimes due to unforeseen circumstances, these dates can change.*

IMPORTANT DATES TERM 1 2017	
21 March	Northern Southland Athletics
24 March	KRTK Trip
28 March	PTA - AGM at 7.30pm, School library
6 April	Board of Trustees Meeting at 5.00pm, School library, all welcome
7 April	Clubs Day
13 April	Term 1 concludes

As we move into the second half of term one and our daily swimming and athletics training programme for this summer concludes, it is time for us to focus on our core curriculum programmes especially our reading, writing and maths.

Many of our children lead very busy lives not only at school but they also participate in a range of after school sporting and cultural activities. As we all know from their outstanding performance at recent sports events, they always give 100% to everything they do and we are incredibly proud of our Mararoa children. For them to maintain this level of commitment in order to achieve their potential in all curriculum areas it is really important that they get plenty of sleep, so now that the days are getting a little shorter we hope everyone can manage some early nights in order to re-charge their batteries.

Next Friday is our Kepler field trip but to date we haven't had any offers of parent help. Please can you let us know asap if you intend helping otherwise the trip won't be able to go ahead.

### Mararoa PTA House Award

Trophy for the house who have accumulated the most points in the last fortnight



**Kowhai**  
**(440 points)**

### Class Awards

#### Thursday 2 March 2017

**Room Kiwi** – **Jasper Carter** – for being proactive with his maths learning.

**Room Hoiho** – **William Harrison** – concentrates so well on all his learning tasks

**Room Tui** – **Iris Spence** – works hard on all her learning tasks.

### Assembly News

'Amazing Children' Lucky Draw Winners

#### Thursday 2 March 2017

**Holly Kempthorne** – for responding in an appropriate manner to an upset classmate

**School Values** – Caring for Others.



### Rory King and Joe Spence

Who have both turned 5 in the last week and have joined Hoiho class.

We hope you enjoy your time at our school.

## Te Anau Basin Athletics Results

# Wow!

Wow! Our children were fantastic at the sports last Friday!  
Great team spirit, awesome skills, wonderful behaviour!  
We're very proud of you ALL!

**Charlie Ruddenklau** 9yrs - 2<sup>nd</sup> 1500m, 2<sup>nd</sup> 800m, 1<sup>st</sup> 100m, 1<sup>st</sup> 200m, 3<sup>rd</sup> shotput, 2<sup>nd</sup> high jump, relay

**Max Kempthorne** 10yrs - 1<sup>st</sup> 1500m, 1<sup>st</sup> 800m, 1<sup>st</sup> 100m, 1<sup>st</sup> 200m, 1<sup>st</sup> discus, 3<sup>rd</sup> shotput, 1<sup>st</sup> high jump, 2<sup>nd</sup> long jump, relay

**Nicole Green** 10yrs - 1<sup>st</sup> 1500m, 1<sup>st</sup> 800m, 1<sup>st</sup> 100m, 1<sup>st</sup> 200m, 3<sup>rd</sup> shotput, 1<sup>st</sup> high jump, 1<sup>st</sup> long jump, relay

**Georgia Lindsay** 10yrs - 2<sup>nd</sup> 1500m, 3<sup>rd</sup> 800m, 2<sup>nd</sup> 100m, 2<sup>nd</sup> 200m, 1<sup>st</sup> discus, 2<sup>nd</sup> long jump, relay

**Elly Temple** 7yrs - 3<sup>rd</sup> 60m, 3<sup>rd</sup> long jump, relay

**Tara Speight** 7yrs - 3<sup>rd</sup> 100m, 2<sup>nd</sup> long jump, relay

**Holly Kempthorne** 8yrs - 1<sup>st</sup> 60m, 1<sup>st</sup> 100m, 2<sup>nd</sup> long jump, relay

**Ruth Cody** 8yrs - 2<sup>nd</sup> 60m, 2<sup>nd</sup> 100m, 1<sup>st</sup> long jump, relay

**Jorja Whyte** 9yrs - 3<sup>rd</sup> 100m, 3<sup>rd</sup> 200m, 2<sup>nd</sup> long jump, relay

**Natalie Spence** 9yrs - 1<sup>st</sup> discus, 3<sup>rd</sup> shotput

**Lachlan Holmes Crombie** 9yrs - 1<sup>st</sup> discus, 1<sup>st</sup> shotput

**Logan Salter** - 3<sup>rd</sup> discus, 2<sup>nd</sup> shotput

**Ivan Temple** 10yrs - 3<sup>rd</sup> discus

**Isabella Speight** - 2<sup>nd</sup> shotput, 2<sup>nd</sup> high jump, 3<sup>rd</sup> long jump

All these children have been entered in the Northern Southland Primary Schools' Athletics to be held at Northern Southland College in Lumsden on 21 March.  
Please let us know if you can't take your child to this event.

**Noah Temple** (12yrs discus and high jump) and **Aisha Gardyne** (12yrs discus, shotput and high jump) gained great results at the Fiordland College Athletics in early February, and they will compete at the Northern Southland Primary Schools' Athletics to be held at Northern Southland College in Lumsden on 21 March.

More field results for the 7 & 8yr olds will be published as soon as we get them from Te Anau.

## Athletics

Huge thanks to our great parents who gave up their time to help our children with their athletics skills programme:

Kerryn McLean, Eric and Paula King, Sue Harbutt, Christine Pounsford, Sally MacMillan Armstrong, Anna Thomas and Alisa Speight.

The Mararoa School Pool will close on Friday 24 March.

**Closing**

Please return all keys to the school office. Thank you.

## School KRTK Trip

Friday 24 March we will be "Building our Beautiful Brains" on the Kepler Track. We are lucky enough to have a day planned by experts from DOC, Environment Southland and Kids Restore the Kepler.

We require 8 parents to help supervise small groups while we are on the track. We currently don't have any names down, if we don't have the required amount of adults by Monday we will need to cancel the trip. This would be a shame as the students and parents have enjoyed this educational day for many years.

We will be meeting at 9.30am at the Control Gates car park and all students will need to be picked up by 2pm. There will be no buses running this day.

Please call the office if you can join us for the day.

## **Big Rides Day BIGGER AND BETTER!**

**TWO LOOPS—MORE RIDES—LESS QUEUES!!**

**SUN 2 APRIL, 10AM—2PM**

Southern Field Days site, Waimumu

Only 45 mins drive from Invercargill or 10 mins from Gore.

→ \$5 gate entry per child (includes first ride)

→ Extra rides: 2 for \$5 or 5 for \$10

→ Free entry for adults and babies under 6 months

One adult over 18 years must accompany a maximum of 2 children (1 adult per child is ideal). This will be policed at the gate and entry refused if necessary.  
**NO EXCEPTIONS.**



Note: A ride pass will need to be purchased if babies with free entry are to ride. An adult can accompany a child on rides for free.

**CASH ONLY!  
NO EFTPOS  
AVAILABLE**



**For kids of all ages, whatever the weather!**  
A huge variety of 'Big Rides' to experience: trucks, silage chopper, fire engine, diggers, tractors, milk tanker, bus and much much more!

**FAMILY FUN—FOOD & DRINKS—SAND PILES—BOUNCY CASTLES**

## **PTA NEWS**

**Mararoa School Parent Teacher Association AGM** will be Tues 28 March 2017, at 7.30pm in the school library.

Offices available this year; Secretary, Treasurer and Catering Co-ordinator (couple of hours a month, plenty of help available).

Why do we have a PTA?? To be the best little school there is!

**AND that's why we need YOU!**

Tuesday 28 March 7.30pm, school library.

Followed by a general meeting.