

INTRODUCING Matangi School Board Member

1. **Name** Simon Diplock
2. **Where were you born?** Wiltshire in the UK
3. **Tell us about your family** I have 2 gorgeous children, Milly and Harry and my beautiful wife Britt. We have a dog, Freddie and a cat, Baxi.
4. **Current occupation?** Project Manager in Construction
5. **Favourite job that you have ever had.** When I was at University (a long time ago) I worked several summers hiring out Jet Ski's to the public. I taught hundreds of people during my time to use the machines, the most high profile were Princess Anne's children Peter and Zara and their father Mark Phillips.
6. **What do you think the best thing is about living in Matangi.** We have a great community and whilst we are 10 minutes from Hamilton feel like we live in the countryside.
7. **Do you have a favourite place in NZ or around the world you have visited and why.** I fell in love with NZ when I travelled around the world, the Coromandel is a beautiful place and every year we are lucky enough to be able stay for a couple of weeks at Matarangi, normally over Christmas.
8. **What were you like in primary school?** I tried my best at everything I did, I loved geography (learning about places around the world) and seemed to be a natural in the swimming pool.
9. **What three words would you use to best describe yourself.** Determined, happy and funny ;)
10. **If you could be any animal in the world, what animal would you be and why?** I would be a Blue Whale, I could live in the sea with my whale family, diving deep in the ocean travelling around the globe.
11. **And finally, where would you go in a time machine?** I'd go back in time and win the lotto!

