



**"To Be All I Can"**

**FOR YOUR DIARY**

10.6	ICAS Science
12.6	Assembly, 2pm - Room 6 leading
17.6	Junior Syndicate trip to Museum
23.6	Board of Trustees Meeting, 7pm in the staffroom
24.6	ICAS - Spelling/Writing
25.6	Gymnastics Grade A
26.6	Gymnastics Grade B
26.6	Assembly, 2pm - Room 2 leading
3.7	End of Term 2
20.7	Start of Term 3

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Sadly we mourn the loss of school parent Peter Young, father of Katrina, and husband of Svetlana. Peter died in the Nelson Hospice on Tuesday as the result of a long-standing battle with cancer. He was a much-loved parent and community member and will be sorely missed. As I have mentioned before, I believe Mapua to be a very special community and it is times like this that we can come together to place our collective arms around this family and provide them in the days, weeks, months, and years ahead with support and companionship. Peter's funeral is to take place on Saturday at 11am at the Hills Community Church.

A very warm welcome this week to Matheus Scott, a new Year 6 student here at Mapua. We welcome Matheus and his family to the Mapua area and wish them every success with their new lives in this region and in New Zealand.

Last Friday the staff participated in a very constructive and enjoyable course around 'Enterprise Education' run by Wellington based educator Kathy Willis. Many of the values, competencies, learning areas, and principles of the new curriculum document contain components that enterprise education can stimulate, encourage, and provide a valuable learning platform for academic development. We look forward to incorporating aspects of this approach into our class and school programmes as time goes by.

Papa Ra returns to Rarotonga via Auckland this week. He thanked the staff, school, and community for welcoming him here and stated that he had learned a lot during his visit, especially in the areas of Information Technology and Careers Education which were of particular interest to him. He believed that both Mapua School and the Nikao Maori School were very fortunate to have their respective communities so actively involved in the education of local children. This community involvement was a major factor in the success of both schools. Papa Ra wished to pass on his thanks to both the Mytton and Endersby families for so kindly hosting him during his stay here.

Yesterday every student from Room 5 (Year 8) ventured out into the community to experience a day in their career field of interest. As a part of their current focus on careers education students have studied a great deal in respect to their strengths and attributes, their interests and passions, and the skills and qualifications needed to pursue these as viable work opportunities. We look forward to hearing back regarding their experiences and the valuable learning that took place during this time.

Best wishes for the week ahead,

Neil Chalmers  
Principal

**Blog of the Week** - we have some wonderful class blogs and have been celebrating the work by promoting a 'Blog of the Week' The first blog to win was Room 4's with its great pictures and reports about their learning. The following week students from Room 7 chose Room 1's blog showing their use of Google Earth to help with their mapping unit and their movie clips of their dancing machines. Blog of the Week for this week is - drum roll.... Room 9! Check out their maths movie clips. If you haven't had a look at these blogs do go to the school homepage, scroll down for the class blog links, click and you're in! Enjoy these wonderful journals of our students' work, thoughts and learning experiences. And please be brave and leave a comment for the children. Remember the comment will not show straight away as the teachers check all comments before publishing them on the web.

**ASHTON BOOK CLUB** A reminder that the Ashton Book Club orders are due in by Friday June 12.

**Community Software Plan** Recently, we sent home coloured leaflets about the 60% OFF Computer Classroom at Home Bundles CSP (Community Software Plan) from EdAlive. The closing date for the orders is tomorrow, 5/6/09. Please return your orders to the CSP box found on the desk at the front office. Our school will receive a FREE Unlimited School Site Licence for the EdAlive software title of our choice plus an additional FREE Unlimited School Site Licence if we receive a strong response from families. PLEASE make cheques out to Edalive.



## **PINE CONES FOR SALE**



**On sale outside the front office.**

**Only 50 cents a supermarket bag (bring your own or similar).**

**Mini ball Draw** - 5<sup>th</sup> June - Good luck to all three teams.

Court 1: 4.15 – Mapua Slashers v Richmond Guns  
Court 2: 4.45 – Mapua Mini Bolters v St Paul's Pistons  
Court 1: 5.45 – Mapua Hot Shots v Appleby Aces

There will be no Mini Ball on the 12<sup>th</sup> June as the Giants have their final home game.

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**“AUGUST RUSH” (PG)** - Brilliant Family Movie, Saturday, 6th June at Hills Community Church Mapua - 5.45-8.30pm. (Movie begins at 6.30pm). FREE ENTRY. Creche for under 5s available for a gold coin donation.

**Food will be available for purchase** - Soup and a roll \$4.00; A cup of saveloys \$2.50; Cake and Coffee \$5.00; Slices \$2.50. Tea and Coffee \$2.50 (bottomless cup); Popcorn, Chocolate Bars, Drinks.

**All proceeds from the sale of food will be donated to Ross Wilson for the purchase of communication equipment. Extra donations will be welcome.**

**12th Grade Girls Football (born in 1997) Rep Trials 2009.** At Saxtons 12 midday till 2pm Sundays 7th, 14th, and 21st June. For more information see Malcolm at school.

**PINOCCHIO** is being performed by Imagine Theatre at Memorial Hall Motueka from Tuesday, June 9th - Friday June 12th at 7pm and Saturday June 13th @ 2pm. The show is approximately 2 hours long. It is shaping up to be a fantastic performance by all involved. Tickets can be purchased from Unichem in Motueka or at the door.

**Hockey: NZ Black Sticks Women v India**, Saturday 20 June at 1.30pm and Sunday 21 June at 1.30pm at the Saxtons Hockey Field. Free entry.

**U13 NELSON BASKETBALL TRIALS:** - Open to players born in 1997 or 1998  
Saturday 6 June at Jack Robins Stadium. Boys: 3pm – 5pm, Coach: Chris Raine.  
Sunday 7 June at Jack Robins Stadium. Girls: 10am – 11.30am, Coach: Phil Kouka.  
Any players U13 as of 31 December 2009 are invited to attend. Enquiries to Dallas 5476419