



**"To Be All I Can"**

**FOR YOUR DIARY**

9.4	End of Term 1
12.4	<b>EASTER FAIR</b>
27.4	Start of Term 2
1 .5	Mad Hair Day
8 .5	Assembly, 2pm - Room 7 leading
11.5	Book Fair this week
22.5	Assembly, 2pm - Room 8 leading
27.5	ICAS Computer Skills
28.5	Disco Years 1-4 5.30pm - 6.45pm; Years 5-8 7pm - 8.30pm
29.5	Teacher Only Day - <b>school closed</b>
1 .6	<b>Queen's Birthday - school closed</b>

Dear Parents

Our major fund raising activity for the year is now just a few days away and Angela and her team are putting the finishing touches on everything. There are two ways you can help if you are not already involved and in both cases you would be welcomed with open arms. Firstly, on Saturday morning (April 11) at 8.00 a.m. everyone is encouraged to come along to help set up the field. This involves laying out hay bales, putting up temporary fencing, laying out cables etc. The more people there the quicker it will be done. If you can give an hour or a morning please come along.

Secondly the Fair Organisers are looking for help on the day. This could be anything from directing traffic to helping on a stall. Again your help will make the load lighter for everyone and therefore the day more pleasant. If you can help please phone Angela Fon on 5403135.

Recently we received a cheque of \$18,440 from the 2008 Fair and this will go a long way to helping provide a school environment that will provide every educational opportunity for your children.

At the time of writing this Room 8 were enjoying many of the outdoor educational opportunities that St Arnaud and Lake Rotoiti offer ... despite a fair helping of rain. It was great to join them and the many parents involved for a few hours on Tuesday.

We have received our confirmed Education Review Report and are very pleased with the outcome. Do have a read of the summary that is being sent home with every student today. A copy of the full report will soon be available on [www.ero.govt.nz](http://www.ero.govt.nz). The children, parents, staff, PTA and BOT can all take credit for the great report received. ERO are assured that we are providing top quality programmes, that our students are achieving very well ('achieving at or above national expectation'), 'ICT is an integral tool for supporting teaching and learning', 'a cooperative and supportive culture is promoted by affirming interactions between teachers and students and amongst the students themselves', and our 'students are highly motivated (and) actively engaged'. We will continue to improve our programmes and facilities to ensure that our students are doing the best they can, are being 'all I can', but are pleased to receive this confirmation that all is going well and we are appropriately focused.

My thanks to parents and families for all the support received during the past term. Enjoy the two week break with your children and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday April 27.

Regards,

Neil Chalmers  
Principal

P.S. Bridget and I wish to thank everyone for the fabulous support we have received on the premature arrival of 'little' Niamh. Bridget and Niamh have been home now for the past two weeks and both are doing really well. We all look forward to moving into this great community during the forthcoming holidays so may well see you around the village.

## ANZAC DAY - 25th April

**11am at the Moutere Hills RSA Memorial Library, Mapua**  
Parade from Mapua Community Hall at 10.45am for RSA members and grandchildren, Scouts, Guides and Cubs.

School pupils are invited to take part.

Service conducted by Rev Marilyn Loken and the guest speaker is Mr Alan Archibald.

Morning tea in the public hall after the service.  
(Mapua School will have a student doing a reading and two students laying a wreath).

All welcome.



**Thanks to Sue Robinson** (Mum of Brooke in Room 1), who has won tickets for all of Room 1 to see the Tribute show to Hannah Montana and the Jonas Brothers. The children in Room 1 were given a note regarding this to take home yesterday.

## *COMMUNITY NOTICES*

**TASBAY KIDZ NEWS:** Thanks to all those families who have supported the after school programme this term - we do different activities every day and have lots of fun - so if you are ever stuck for child care give us a call.

We have an awesome holiday programme organised running from Tuesday 14th April - Friday 24th April. Check out the Boredom Busters Mag or phone Sal on 027 406 8109 for further details. Have a good Easter.

**Shoshin Kendo** classes will be held at the Mapua Community Hall each third Saturday of the month from 9.30 - 10.30am. For further details contact Ray 5468902 or 021 063 2982.

**See you at the Easter Fair and  
have a safe and happy holiday.**

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