



**"To Be All I Can"**

**FOR YOUR DIARY**

14.8	<b>NO ASSEMBLY</b>
19.8	ICAS Mathematics
20.8	Intermediate/Senior Snow Day
<b>21.8</b>	<b>Assembly, 2pm - Room 4 leading</b> <b>Please note CHANGE OF DATE</b>
25.8	Board of Trustees meeting, 7pm in the staffroom
28.8	Assembly, 2pm - Room 5 leading
1.9	PTA Meeting in the Staffroom, 7.30pm
9.9	Year 6 Parent Evening, 7.30pm
10.9	Parent Interviews, <b>school closes at 2pm</b>
11.9	Assembly, 2pm - Room 1 leading
14.9	Years 5-6 Nelson Schools cross country
15.9	Motueka Winter Tournament, Years 5 - 8
17.9	Motueka Winter Tournament postponement date
17.9	Passion for Plants, 7pm at the Mapua Hall- PTA fundraiser
18.9	Years 7-8 Interschool cross country
22.9	Board of Trustees Meeting, 7pm in the staffroom
24.9	Years 5 - 8 Inter-regional cross country

Dear Parents and Guardians,

One of the real pleasures of being a teacher or principal of this school is being present when students are participating in an event such as Tuesday's Motueka Cluster Cross-Country. It's on these occasions that we get to see not only their skill in a particular area, in this case cross-country running, but also the many and various skills they have related to participating and contributing, self-management, relating to others etc. These are all terms and skill areas listed in the New Curriculum Document under the heading "Key Competencies" and I am pleased to report that Mapua School children displayed, on Tuesday, fabulous skills in these areas. Simply they were a pleasure to be with, they behaved admirably, they ran with true guts, determination and success, and they related well to their peers.

On top of this we also had a group of Year 7 & 8's who were invited along to assist in the running of this event and they too showed real skill in assisting, managing, and the carrying out of tasks. For me this is one of the major advantages Year 7 & 8's have in a full primary school such as Mapua. Not only do they get to participate in a quality sporting event, but they also have the opportunity to grow as individuals in areas such as leadership by taking responsibility for and carrying out important tasks. The team present on Tuesday showed real maturity and skill.

Congratulations also to Malcolm Hepburn and the teaching team who jointly put yesterday's event together on behalf of all of the school's in the Motueka Schools Cluster. This is a major undertaking, which Mapua takes up on behalf of the cluster to ensure that these children get the opportunity to run against strong competition in a real cross-country environment.

I'd really appreciate it if families could let me know when head lice are found in children's hair. I have every faith regarding the treatment children are receiving regarding these critters but I would appreciate knowing the extent to which they are present. This knowledge would assist us in treating the problem as a school community. A call or text to the office, or directly to me, would be appreciated.

Best wishes to students as they prepare for the ICAS Mathematics Exams and Mathex Competitions next week, and of course for the big Snow Day on Thursday.

Regards

Neil Chalmers  
Principal

## Motueka District Cross Country

From our school cross country event last week we selected several teams of students to represent the school at the Motueka Cluster Cross Country held on Tuesday. This major sporting fixture in the region was organised and co-ordinated by our school. Once again, our wider community really came to the fore and everyone pitches in to help out in all sorts of ways. A big thanks to everyone concerned. We had some fantastic results and the students definitely showed they were 'All They Can Be'.

The teams for the different events will be noted as well as any students who were placed in the top ten and their placement within the teams event.

### **Year 5 Boys and under:**

**Placings** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Hugo, 4<sup>th</sup> James, 5<sup>th</sup> Theo, 6<sup>th</sup> Jake

**Team event** – 1<sup>st</sup> placed team

**Team members** – Hugo P, James C, Theo S, Oscar S, Daniel R, Robbie C, Nicholas W, Jake W and Mac K

### **Year 5 Girls and under:**

**Placings** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Lara, 4<sup>th</sup> Georgia, 10<sup>th</sup> Brooke

**Team event** – 1<sup>st</sup> placed team

**Team members** – Lara, Hannah R, Georgia D, Nicole, Elena, Brooke and Bethan

### **Year 6 Boys and under:**

**Team event** – 4<sup>th</sup> placed team

**Team members** – Alex T, Jake P, Zeb T-M, Matheus S, Owen J, Flynn C-S and Kaleb W

### **Year 6 Girls and under:**

**Placings** – 1<sup>st</sup> Emily

**Team event** – 4<sup>th</sup> placed team

**Team members** – Emily C, Georgia B and Aleisha

### **Year 7 Boys and under:**

**Placings** – 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel Wilson, 4<sup>th</sup> Hayden, 5<sup>th</sup> Patrick

**Team event** – 1<sup>st</sup> placed team

**Team members** – Sam W, Hayden S, Patrick H, Jordan O, Michael C, and Nikau W

### **Year 7 Girls and under:**

**Placings** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Alice, 8<sup>th</sup> Lydia

**Team event** – 1<sup>st</sup> placed team

**Team members** – Alice R, Kaitlyn U, Lydia Campbell-Robinson, Lucy S, and Hayley R

### **Year 8 Boys and under:**

**Placings** – 4<sup>th</sup> Thomas H

**Team event** – 4<sup>th</sup> placed team

**Team members** – Thomas H, Henry J, Haydn B, Lucas H, Ben E, Connor L and Adam C

### **Year 8 Girls and under:**

**Placings** – 1<sup>st</sup> Kaisa, 5<sup>th</sup> Natasha, 6<sup>th</sup> Libby

**Team event** – 1<sup>st</sup> placed team

**Team members** – Kaisa T, Libby G, Laura T, and Natasha P.

A big thank you to the following students who were marshals for the event helping us with the organisation of it very effectively:

Daniel B, Jade B-R, Maddy H, Kynan, Sean S, Jake M, Storm S, Lucy H, Renee R, Hayley R, Ellie G, and Laura T.

**Heard the news??**

**Mapua School PTA is organising another great fundraiser**

**PASSION FOR PLANTS - AN EVENING WITH JACK HOBBS**

**at the Mapua Hall, Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2009,  
doors open at 7pm.**

See the flyers for more information.

***Save the date.....and we'd love your help!***

***We need help with set up, clean up, food prep,  
food ingredient/wine/juice donations, silent auction items  
- if you can help in any way please contact Mary Duncan 5402992,  
Justine Millar 5403779 or Jackie Hall 5402770.***

***COMMUNITY NOTICES***

**Football** An invitation is extended to all supporters, players, coaches, grandparents, friends, family etc to celebrate the end of the winter football season. A fun night out at The Tap, 12th September, 7pm. Dress code - Your Hero/Superstar. \$25 ticket covers meal, live band, great company. Tickets available from Sian phone 5402248, Shelley phone 5402417 or The Tap.

Junior players 'Hero' Disco and prizegiving to be held at the Mapua Hall Saturday 5th September, 4pm onwards.

**Practical Parenting Advice for Practicing Parents** with Diane Levy. September 5th, at Richmond New Life, 85 Wensley Road, Richmond. Diane is a well known author, parent coach and family therapist. She is known for her practical, informative and humorous approach to problems and issues that arise for most parents and child educators.

There will be two seminars: The first entitled 'When to Growl and When to Cuddle' will be held from 2.00-4.30pm aimed at parents of children aged 1 to 7 years old. This seminar will cover topics that give parents tools and tips that will enable them to parent well without having to resort to punishment.

Seminar two will be held from 7.00-9.30pm, and it is entitled 'Great Parenting Tips'. This will be aimed at parents of children aged 8 to 18 years old. Diane will speak on the different types of personalities, how the personalities can work together within the family and she will also provide helpful advice and tips on how to 'Get your children to do as they are told'.

Both seminars will have a question and answer period and Diane's four books will be available for sale also. Ticket prices are \$15.00 for a single ticket and \$25.00 for couples. Tickets are available from Richmond New Life - 544 1094, Whitcoulls in the Richmond Mall or Manna book store in the Montgomery car park in Nelson. Tickets numbers are limited.