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| 25.6 | Assembly, 2pm - Room 7 leading |
| 26.6 | Sand pit working bee |
| 30.6 | Art Exhibition at school, 1 - 2.30pm |
| 2.7 | End of Term 2 |
| 19.7 | Start of Term 3 |

Tena Koutou,

I believe I'm running out of superlatives when attempting to describe both the successes and behaviours of Mapua students. Once again the past week has seen some great successes and we, the school, have received very positive feedback regarding the attitudes and values our children display. The way they relate to each other and the wider community, the way they behave, the way they participate with energy, enthusiasm, and determination have all been noted and reported back to us by those running events. Parents, I believe you can congratulate yourselves on the great and positive way your children have been brought up. We would also like to stand alongside you and say that the attributes and academic success we aim to develop across the school are having a positive effect on students.

So our congratulations go to the Lit Quizzers who not only took out team prizes but won overall as a school at the inaugural Motueka Area Year 5&6 Literacy Quiz (a shield celebrating their success will be handed to them at Friday's assembly), to the Ripa Rugby players who played so successfully at the Motueka Cluster Tournament and just missed out in representing the area at the Nelson Regional champs, and to cross-country runners who not only participated very successfully at the Nelson Regional Year 5&6 event but who also took out fourth place overall in the teams event. All these children deserve a hearty pat on the back. Well done!

Another group that deserve a pat on the back are that group of Mapua adults, many of whom were or are parents of children here at school, who played a highly successful gig at 'The Tap' last Friday night. Such talent and such guts! I understand that this group took up the challenge of becoming a band to fulfill a life long interest and desire to perform despite considerable trepidation in doing this live in front of their peers. That takes guts and we congratulate them on displaying the same attributes we are so keen to see our students take up.

Welcome to new student Tarah Roberts. We wish you every success here at Mapua School and in this great community.

We are looking for a keen volunteer, or small group of volunteers, to take up management of our junior reader book resources. The person, or people, concerned would need to give perhaps an hour a week to the task of boxing up new resource books, labelling these, recording this stock on our database, and the associated reordering of boxes etc. If you are interested in this voluntary work we would appreciate hearing from you. Please contact me via the office if you are interested or if you have further questions about this task.

It's raining again so you might have time to contemplate how the school might rename its classrooms. We are looking for ideas, concepts, thoughts in regard to this. Please send your ideas to principal@mapua.school.nz. Currently we have 11 classrooms and our development plan suggests that we should have room for a few more, so can you aim your thinking at say 15 names. We're also interested in how these names might be represented through design and art work. No idea is dumb, all ideas are welcome!

Until next week,

Naku noa, na,

Neil Chalmers
Principal

Check out the BLOG of the week for this week, which is...

ROOM 6!

Go onto our school's website to check them out and leave a comment.

You are invited to the...

Mapua School Art Exhibition

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| When: | Wednesday 30 June 2010 | |
| Where: | Mapua School Administration Area, Staffroom and Classrooms | |
| Viewing Times | 1.00-1.25 | Lunchtime viewing |
| | 1.30-2.30 | The main viewing time. Students will be in class to share and talk about their artworks. |
| | 2.45 - 4.00 | Afterschool viewing |

Is beauty in the eye of the beholder?

This term, our school wide learning focus has been in the area of Visual Art. We would like to invite all parents and caregivers, family and friends to come and enjoy this showcase of our learning. Please visit the Administration area first to pick up an Exhibition Guidebook.



A BERRY FUNDRAISER



A very kind parent Tamara, has offered the school strawberry plants to sell as a fundraiser. **Now is the time to plant!**

We still have a few plants left. So, if you would like a plant or two, Room 10 will be selling them on a first come basis. **Please send in the right amount of money and a plastic bag. No money, no order!** Please send your order and money to Brownie in Room 10 by this Friday. The plants will be ready to be collected asap.

Smaller box with 15-20 plants \$20 (only 1 box available)

Single plants available

1 strawberry plant for \$1

6 strawberry plants for \$5

Thanks

Room 10 and Brownie

All Whites 2010 World Cup Team Signed Football Silent Auction for the Football at The Tap, Mapua - bids close 5pm Friday June 25th.

NZ Football has kindly donated a football signed by the 2010 New Zealand World Cup Team to the Mapua School PTA. The ball will be on display at The Tap and bids will be accepted on the silent auction sheet held at the bar. The auction will close at 5pm Friday 25th June 2010. There is also have a letter of authenticity from NZ Football for anyone who wishes to see this.

If you are unable to make The Tap to put in your bids, but would like to bid please email your best bid \$ to Jackie Hall prior to 1pm 25/6/10 at jjfllhall@xtra.co.nz, please include your name and contact details.

All proceeds will be used to purchase sports equipment for Mapua School.

Nelson Inter-School's Cross Country

Monday saw a team of 19 Mapua School runners compete with determination at the Nelson Inter-School's Cross Country event at Saxton Field. Dave Dixon set a challenging course, made all the more challenging with recent rain.

Team members

Year 5 Girls - Brooke, Isabel, Bethan, Maisie, Sierra

Year 5 Boys - Mac, Jake, Josh, Alfie, Ben

Year 6 Girls - Lara, Kinsey, Georgia, Lauryn

Year 6 Boys - Hugo, Theo, James, Daniel, Robbie

Runners gave their best effort, were 'all they could be' and did themselves and their supporters proud.

Results - Top 10 finishers got automatic selection to run in the Inter-Regional Cross Country in Hanmer Springs later in the year.

Well done to: Brooke - 5th; Lara - 5th; Hugo - 8th

Team Results

Year 5 Girls team - Brooke, Isabel, Bethan, Maisie - 3rd

Year 6 Boys team - Hugo, Theo, James, Daniel - 3rd

Overall Girls - 2nd= (Top 8 combined girl runners scored)

Overall School - 4th (Just 2 points away from 3rd)

These were amazing results with us competing against many bigger schools to gain these fantastic team and individual placings.

Thanks to parents for transport and encouragement to help make this event a success.

Warren and Mandy

Reminder for Sandpit Working Bee This Saturday 26 June - we would love to see you there!

The children are really excited about this project and looking forward to using this area. We need more helpers on the day. Even if you can only come down for an hour, it all helps. It would be great to get it finished so we can get the sand put in next week. Smokos, lunches and end of day drinks all provided! It would be helpful if you can let us know if you are coming, if not come anyway. Mary 540 2992, Justine 540 3779, or return the pink slip to the school.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Second hand toys for Starship Katie Prosser is sending a box of second hand toys to the playroom in Beau's regular ward in Starship, which is greatly needed. If you have any toys that are no longer needed, or spare craft materials, they would be hugely appreciated. No soft toys please. The playroom is a fun, supportive, procedure-free place, and Beau's stays in Starship would not be the same without it. There will be a box in the school foyer this week for any donations.

Starburst Theatre presents Horton Hatches an Egg and Hansel and Gretel plus an evening of song & dance. Saturday 26th June, 6 pm at Mapua Hall. \$5 entry.

Nelson Netball Future Fern Camp 2010, Saxton Stadium from 13 - 16 July. This is for Year 3 - Year 6 netballers. It runs from 1 - 4.30pm and the cost is \$80. Registration forms available in the office.

Raising Awareness - Digital Communication Technology. A presentation on the issues and dangers associated with the inappropriate use of computers, mobile phones, digital cameras and the internet. 27 July from 7 - 9.30pm (includes break) at St Joseph's School Hall, 1/18 Manuka Street, Nelson. Gold coin donation. Bookings essential. Call Catrin on 5390919, email catrin@xtra.co.nz or ring the school 548 4050.