



"To Be All I Can"

#### FOR YOUR DIARY

26.2	Junior Syndicate Swimming Demonstration 1.25pm
2.3	Motueka Swimming Sports
2.3	PTA Meeting, 7.30pm in the Staffroom
4.3	Middle Syndicate Big Day Out
5.3	Postponement date for Motueka Swimming Sports
5.3	Assembly, 2pm - Room 6 leading
8.3	Rooms 11 and 7 Camp
9.3	Room 8 Camp
16.3	Room 5 Camp
19.3	Assembly, 2pm - Room 1 leading
23.3	Years 7 and 8 Summer Tournament
25.3	Years 7 and 8 Summer Tournament postponement date
1.4	Last day of Term 1
4.4	EASTER FAIR

#### ICAS Competitions

This week the students have been given the opportunity to participate in a range of competitions organised by the University of New South Wales. They are open to students Year 4 - 8, and are a good way to extend those who are talented in English, Writing, Spelling, Mathematics, Computer Skills and Science. There is a cost for each of the competitions and the students will receive practice questions before the exam. Letters were handed out by classroom teachers.

**All students receive a certificate** and an **individual student report** indicating which questions they answered correctly and their score compared with the rest of the students tested. The tests are an excellent preparation for National tests and the student report is useful for highlighting your child's strengths and weaknesses. The UNSW certificate and individual student report are also suitable for your child to include in a portfolio.

The reply slip and money need to be put in an envelope and taken to the front admin area where there is box labelled 'ICAS Exams' and placed in this. All entries need to be in by **TUESDAY 30TH MARCH - WEEK 10** (not February as on letter).

If you have any queries about the competitions please see Mandy Stephens.

#### CAR PARK

A reminder to take great care in the carpark when dropping off or picking up children and please use the footpath around the carpark rather than walking across it. Also we would ask drivers to respect the special nature of the disabled and stork parks. With so many babies in our school families, the stork parks are to be left for those with babies four months and under.

Thank you for your kind consideration and assistance with this.

**FOUND:**

The camera that was handed in after the tryathlon still has not been claimed. Can you please check with grandparents etc. to see if they have lost theirs.

A few weeks ago some reading glasses were found in the overflow carpark. These are also in the office to be claimed.

***Room 7 is learning about Statistical Investigations for Maths this term.***

*To make our learning more realistic we are helping our website creators to get some ideas for a new look for our school website.*

*We agree with the teachers and think our school's website is a bit old and run down, so we want to survey all the school parents to find out what they think. Later we will survey the students for their opinions. A survey form will be given out to your child/ren to bring home for you to answer a few questions. Could you please return it to the box at the reception desk by Thursday, 4 March, 2010.*

*We need as many responses as possible so, to encourage and to thank you, we have decided to have a prize draw from all the surveys returned. (Please make sure you put your name and phone number in the spaces provided.) The prize is a bottle of wine and a box of chocolates.*

**SENIOR SWIMMING SPORTS 2010**

A huge thanks to all who made this event a great success:

- The students for 'Being All They Can'
- The parents for transporting, supporting and assisting with the event
- The teachers for their organisation and participation.

We have some amazing swimmers at Mapua School and 45 students have been selected to represent the school at the Interschool Swimming Sports at Motueka on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – congratulations and good luck swimmers.

The House results from the event were:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Red	259
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Yellow	252
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Green	244
4 <sup>th</sup>	Blue	184

Good to see that a different house won the swim sports from the Tryathlon competition.

We also had 16 new school swimming records!

The Results from the Swim Sports are as follows:

<b>Event</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>
Open – Boys	Hayden	Jake	Ben
Open – Girls	Lily	Saskia	Jasmin
Backstroke 8 yrs & U girls	Analese	Hannah	Isabel
Backstroke 8 yrs & U boys	Scott	Peter	Zane
Backstroke 9 yrs girls	Brooke	Maisie	Katrina

Backstroke 9 yrs boys	Ben	Jake	Theo
Backstroke 10 yrs girls	Emma	Kinsey	Lily
Backstroke 10 yrs boys	James	Oscar	James
Backstroke 11 yrs girls	Renee	Aleisha	Hayley
Backstroke 11 yrs boys	Sam	Jake	Isaac
Backstroke 12 yrs & O girls	Lydia	Alice	Hana
Backstroke 12 yrs & O boys	Hayden	Jake	Nikau
Breaststroke 8 yrs & U girls	Kate	Analese	
Breaststroke 8 yrs & U boys	Zane		
Breaststroke 9 yrs girls	Maisie	Hannah	Lauryn
Breaststroke 9 yrs boys	Ben	Kruz	Mac
Breaststroke 10 yrs girls	Lara	Lily	Molly
Breaststroke 10 yrs boys	Robbie	James	Hugo
Breaststroke 11 yrs girls	Emily	Jasmin	Aleisha
Breaststroke 11 yrs boys	Sam	Isaac	Jake
Breaststroke 12 yrs & O girls	Lydia	Alice	Kaitlyn
Breaststroke 12 yrs & O boys	Hayden	Jake	Nikau
Butterfly – Boys 10 yrs & U	James	Robbie	
Butterfly – Girls 10 yrs & U	Katrina	Maisie	
Butterfly – Boys 12 yrs & U	Hayden	Jake	
Butterfly – Girls 12 yrs & U	Kaitlyn		
Freestyle 8 yrs & U girls	Isabel	Kate	Analese
Freestyle 8 yrs & U boys	Peter	Zane	Scott
Freestyle 9 yrs girls	Eva	Maisie	Brooke
Freestyle 9 yrs boys	Ben	George	Alfie
Freestyle 10 yrs girls	Lily	Kinsey	Emma
Freestyle 10 yrs boys	Robbie	James	Nicholas
Freestyle 11 yrs girls	Laura	Lucy	Emily
Freestyle 11 yrs boys	Sam	Isaac	Dylan
Freestyle 12 yrs & O girls	Lydia	Kaitlyn	Alice
Freestyle 12 yrs & O boys	Hayden	Jake	Nikau

## PTA NEWS

The PTA welcomes all new and returning families to its first meeting of the 2010 school year. Please join us on Tuesday, 2 March at 7:30pm in the staff room.

In addition to the monthly financial and correspondence updates, the following items will be discussed:

- Facilities and Grounds Update
- Easter Fair
- PTA Project Funding
- AGM Date

We have excess **Talley's Ice Cream** from the Bypass Open Day and are offering it to school families on a first come, first served basis. There are 2 flavours - Vanilla and Neapolitan which come in 1 litre containers for \$2.00. Please email [a-m-a@xtra.co.nz](mailto:a-m-a@xtra.co.nz) if you are interested.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Mapua and Districts Netball Club Registration/Information Day - Dovedale, Mahana, Mapua and Upper Moutere Schools**

Attention all netballers! It is time to start thinking about winter sport! You are invited to our registration/information day where you can meet the coaches, team mates and club personnel.

**Wednesday, 17 March 3.15pm at Mapua School Court** followed by a very short meeting (AGM – to get the formalities out of the way for the year!) where parents/caregivers attendance would be most appreciated.

We hope to register teams in some or all of the following sections:

- Future Ferns** – plays Wednesday after school - 8 year olds; Year 5  
- plays Saturday morning - mainly Year 6's and new-to-netball Year 7's
- Intermediate** - plays Saturday - Years 7 and 8 girls

All games are played at Saxton Field Netball Courts and cover most of Terms 2 and 3. Practice days and the venue will be advised as soon as we know numbers of players but the practice will aim to cater for everybody - in particular the coach!

If you can't attend but would like to play, please phone or email your registration

*name, school, year level and age, caregivers name and contact details and preferred team*

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\*\*\*Our Club is always looking for more committee members and coaches. If you are interested in either please let us know on contact details above. Committee meets 2-3 times a year. Coaches are supported by club - courses, materials etc.