

## Newsletter - 24 October 2008

### **Principal's Message**

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Next week Mangonui School Kapa Haka group will be performing at Taipa Area School. This is a new initiative that our cluster has started to encourage school performances and also participation and enjoyment. Details are attached

Cross Country was postponed today due to the weather. Finals will be held on Wednesday at the Houhora Golf Club. This year we are sending 21 children, our biggest number yet to compete.

We have developed a new school web site that is more up to date and viewer friendly. This is still a working project with individual class pages to come. Please go in and have a look and let me know what you think, your feedback is always welcome. [www.mangonui.school.nz](http://www.mangonui.school.nz)  
Our end of year performance and Prize Giving will be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December with the venue to be confirmed. This year we are putting together a Circus Performance along with a few other items so keep that evening free. We have a specialist teacher coming in to teach the children and we are also looking for some adult performers, so if you can swallow a sword or make an elephant disappear we would love to hear from you.

Regards

Tim Van Zyl

### **This Weeks Awards**

**Room 7:** Jerome received the Duffy Book Award.

**Room 6:** The Duffy Book Award went to Alton for being 'SWITCHED ON' in class discussions. Maya received a certificate for showing strength in oral maths.

**Room 5:** Rangi-Sue received the Duffy Book Award for having a great start to the term. Temera and Thomas received maths certificates.

**Room 4:** The Duffy Book Award went to Pippa for having a positive attitude. Certificates went to Marijka-Rose for trying hard in maths and Rameka for 225 nights reading.

**Room 3:** Mark received the Duffy Book Award for co-operation and participation in class.

**Room 2:** The Duffy Book Award went to Liam for being a computer technician, helpfulness, and having good ideas.

**Room 1:** Ava received the Duffy Book Award for consistently great effort and good progress in all areas. The following children all received certificates. Kees for being focused and helpful, Kayla for improved story writing, Shakaya for always trying her best, Ethan for great story writing and Hannah for a great first week at school.

### **DOUBTLESS BAY KINDERGARTEN BALLOON BONANZA**

Sausage sizzle.....Sheep on the spit sandwiches.....lolly scramble quick fire raffles.....drinks.....iceblocks.....egg and spoon races bouncy castle.....and lots more.....

Don't forget to buy your balloons.....\$5 each.

Balloons, filled with helium, will be launched at 1.30pm.

Owner of the 1st one returned wins \$500.

Person who returns it gets \$150.

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2ND AT EASTERN RUGBY CLUB 11AM-2PM ALL ENQUIRIES TO  
JULIE BROTT 406-1429**

### **KAPA HAKA DAY**

On Friday the 31st of October the Kapa Haka and senior students will be travelling to Taipa Area School Hall for a performance. If your child is in Kapa Haka they will receive a permission slip next week. Please fill this in and send it back to the office asap. If you would like to attend and take any other children with you (who are not in kapa haka or the senior school) to support our kids then please feel free to do so. The children will arrive by bus at Taipa at 10.00am, followed by a Powhiri at 10.30am. Mangonui will take the stage at 11am, followed by Taipa, Kaingaroa, Oruaiti and Rangiawhia Schools. The children will have lunch out there before returning to school at 1.30pm. There will be food and drinks for sale throughout the day. If you can make it, we would love to see you!!!

**There is still a lot of children who are absent from school without any notification. If your child is unwell or you are going away etc, please contact the office on 4060182. We are spending far too much time chasing absent children.**