

Mangonui School Newsletter

26 February 2009 - week 4

Warm Greetings to You All, Nga Mihi Mahana ki a Koutou Katoa,



Last year our Kapa Haka group was admired by everyone and after the great welcome they gave to Earthrace a lot of students have been asking if they could join. As a result we have Mrs Joy Heta coming to school this term to work with all the classes. They will experience Kapa Haka, some Te Reo learning and aspects of Tikanga which fit alongside their current classroom studies. Hopefully we will be able to continue with this next term and those who enjoy Kapa Haka will be able to form our 2009 group. Here you can see some of the Junior School enjoying their first Waiata time with Mrs Heta.

Lesley Holembly

THIS WEEK'S AWARDS

Room 7: The Duffy Book Award went to Mystique for being a trusted class member who works independently on tasks. Certificates went to Eden for effort with swimming and problem solving, Alton for effort with swimming and diary writing and Lauren who was described as being as a real treasure by the relief teacher Mr Parkes.

Room 6: Laura received the Duffy Book Award for truly demonstrating what S.Q.U.I.R.T is all about. Certificates went to Siobhan for confidently reciting her squared numbers at great speed! and Celine for preparing a thoughtful 'thank -you speech' for Mr Coogan.

Room 4: The Duffy Book Award went to Lily for self managing in class. Certificates went to Oliver for being responsible in class and Javia for sharing his musical talent.

Room 3: Billy received the Duffy Book Award for being a willing helper in the classroom. Certificates went to Jaxon for asking for help when needed and Katelyn for participation in Maths.

Room 2: The Duffy Book Award went to Teina for putting his head down and getting on with his work. Certificates went to Summer for being an all round great girl and Porscha for trying really hard with her work.

Room 1: Tyrone received the Duffy Book Award for looking and listening.

Our **Awahi Award** went to Cullen in Rm 3 for helping take some boxes to Mr Pooley's shed. Tara received the **Womble Award** for picking up rubbish.

COMING EVENTS CALENDAR

- This Saturday the 28th is the Far North—Mangonui Mayoral Challenge cycle event. Everyone is welcome. You can register on the morning from 9.15 am at the Mangonui Waterfront Development. The event will kick off at 10am.
- This Tuesday the 3rd of March, Whole School Picnic and Sea Week study. See info on other page.
- Eastern Zone Swimming Sports will be held at Taipa on the 9th of March. If your child is chosen to represent our school they will receive notification from their teacher.
- One last try—on Wednesday the 11th of March we will try to have our Family Barbecue. **It had better not rain this time!**
- Duffy Theatre will be performing at school March the 10th from 10.30am-11.30am.

Absences:

We are still having a lot of unexplained absences. If your child is going to be away you need to phone us on 4060182, fax 4060183, email office@mangonui.school.nz or txt 027 3673613. If your child is late, they need to see Tina in the office before they go to class. We are following up all absent children as it is a requirement from the Ministry that they attend school regularly. It is also a safety measure to ensure your child has arrived at school.

Picking up children from School

If your child is to be picked up after school, please collect them from the assembly area outside our old library. They will be waiting there for you. There is a lot of safe parking by the church and it frees up the bus area. If your child is walking home they are to wait by Room 1 and are not to leave the school grounds until both buses have gone.

Emailing newsletters

If you would like to receive your newsletter by email then please send a note to school or drop an email to office@mangonui.school.nz

Pepi Patch Whanau Day

This Saturday the 28th of February, Pepi Patch Inc is promoting S.K.I.P and are having a Whanau day at the beach. It will be held at Taipa Beach starting at 9am till 1.30pm. There is FREE face painting, jumpy castle, games and entertainment and sausage sizzle. There will be lots of competitions and a sand sculpture that will run from 10-11am and a t-shirt design competition that will run from 11.30-12.30pm.

Family Fun Fest Day

This Sunday the 1st of March is Family Fun Fest hosted by Far North Reap. It will be at the Kaitaia Swimming Pools from 10am-2pm. It is National Children's Day and the theme for the day is listening and talking. The pools will be free of charge between 10am-2pm (anyone that comes after this time must pay the full cost of \$3.00 per head). There will be sausage sizzles, music and loads of giveaways.

TERM DATES FOR 2009

TERM 1: 5th February to 9th April

TERM 2: 27th April to 3rd July

TERM 3: 20th July to 25th September

TERM 4: 12th October to 18th December

Please keep your mobiles charged and switched on - If you have run out of credit, we can still ring you if your child is sick, injured or absent from school.

Rm 1 stories of the week

I like jump jam, by Hannah.

I am with mum and dad. We are at home, by Max.

We are at Coopers Beach having a race, by Abe.

I went to the beach with mum, by Kees.

I went to my Nana's house in Thames, by Ava.

I like to go horsey riding, by Leah.

We are going to see the animals at the zoo, by Kahurangi.

I am going to look at the bikes, by Madeline.

The Earthrace boat is cool, by Kara.



Room 7 students are using the camera to assist them in class. Mystique took this lovely photo of Constable Tailby and Keri Sloane from REAP instructing a group of rapt students on the benefits of wearing helmets.

Thank you to all parents who helped bring bikes to school. Our tutors were blown away with the number of students taking part. They were also very impressed with our students and have donated some prizes for those who shone the most. One lucky person from each class will be coming home soon with a new helmet and a safety vest



A rider demonstrating skill and mastery as he makes his way around the obstacle course. Note his correct use of hand signals!