



# Marina View School NEWSLETTER



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Tena koutou e te whanau, he mihi nui ki a koutou katoa.

## Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Despite the chilly weather, the last fortnight has been very busy with many exciting activities across the school.

### PLANNING FOR 2012

We are starting to look at our planning for classes in 2012. If you have any preschoolers who are starting in 2012 or know of anyone who will have children starting, could you please let us know so that we can make provision for their transition to school.

### OUT OF ZONE APPLICATIONS

Anybody who is out of zone and has siblings joining us in 2012, needs to have the child's name in the Out of Zone Ballot. We need to have your *Out Of Zone Ballot Application Form* by Friday 23rd September 2011. (The forms are held at the office). The Ballot will be held on Tuesday 4th October 2011.

### TALENT QUEST AUDITONS

We are just completing the auditions for our Talent Quest. From what we have seen the finals should be very entertaining.

### INTEGRATED TOPIC

The children are really enjoying the 'Amazing Asia' topic this term. We have Year 1 students using their passports as they rotate around to different classes to learn about different Asian countries. The Year 7/8 students have been cooking Thai Chicken Curry, and other students are learning about Korean customs with the help of our Korean parent helpers. Some students are having Mandarin lessons with Mr Rathgen and Mrs Lee which is giving them a taste of an Asian language. All very exciting activities, which are making the topic come alive for the children.

### YEAR 5/6 SPEECH COMPETITION

This was a fiercely contested competition which made the decision difficult for the judges. Heloise Cantin-Gilmore came first with her speech entitled, 'Does the World Need Siblings'. Te Ngaio Cleave came second and Danielle Print third. Congratulations to the finalists and to all the children who presented speeches to their classes. Both Heloise (Year 5/6) and Adam Moore (Year 7/8) contested the Nor-West Speech Competition, and both were placed 1st. Well done to you both.

### PEACE WEEK MUFTI DAY

The Mufti Day was a real success, with many children dressing up in white to celebrate Peace Week. The student mediators had prepared a series of games and activities that proved very popular for all students. Enjoy the pictures in this newsletter and on our website.

### 3 WAY CONFERENCES

Thanks to all the parents and children who attended these meetings. It was a wonderful opportunity to meet with teachers, and discuss current progress and the way forward with the children. Thanks to everyone for their very positive contributions.

### BUILDING PROJECTS

The cold, wet weather certainly hasn't helped the progress of the senior playground and surrounding landscaping. We need some fine, dry days for the construction team to get the concrete poured and planting done. I am sure that it will be well worth waiting for. The refurbishment of the hall kitchen and bathrooms has begun, and we look forward to its completion early in Term 4. This will be a wonderful new facility for Year 7/8 Food Technology, as well as a fabulous teaching space for classes from across the school. Remember to get your tables in as soon as possible for the **PTA Quiz Night**. Thanks to everyone for your on-going support for all school activities. We are now looking forward to some warmer weather in the coming weeks as we move into Spring.

Kind Regards, Meredyth McFarlane (Deputy Principal)



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| COMING EVENTS | SCHOOL EVENTS | NOTICES |
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**AUGUST**

26 Junior Assembly R32  
 31 School Cross-Country  
*(Save day 2nd September)*

**SEPTEMBER**

2 Senior Assembly—Rm 19  
 2 PTA Quiz Night  
 7 Team Aylett visit to North Shore Gymnastics Centre  
 7 Zone Cross Country—Y5-8  
 9 PTA Sushi Day lunch orders.  
 9 Junior Assembly—Rm 31  
 13 Sports Team Photos Y7-8

**TERM 3 ACTIVITY FEES**


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| Team AYLETT (Rm 2) \$ | 8.00    |
| Team AYLETT           | \$21.00 |
| Team YOUENS           | \$12.00 |
| Team CAIN             | \$ 8.00 |
| Team TINDALL          | \$ 8.00 |
| Team MOORE            | \$ 8.00 |
| Team BARNARD          | \$17.00 |
| Team GILLINGHAM       | \$14.00 |

**INTERMEDIATE RIPPA RUGBY COMPETITION**

Our year 7/8 Rippa Rugby players took part in their final field day last Wednesday at Moire Park. Congratulations to those players who took part and thanks to Isaac Oldham for his work with coaching the team, and to our parents for their support with transport to the games.



**SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY**



We will be having our school Cross Country run on Wednesday 31st August at Luckens Reserve across the road from school. Times are as follows:

**9.15—10.30am**  
 New Entrant / Year 1 (1 Short Lap)  
 Years 2,3 (2 Short Laps)  
**11.15am –12.25pm**  
 (Years 4,5,6) 2 Full Laps  
**1.40—2.50pm**  
 Years 7,8 (3 Laps)

**Wellington Excursion for the House Captains and Student Council**

On Thursday the 18 August the Year 7/8 Student Councillors' and House-Captains went on an excursion to Wellington, to learn how the leaders of New Zealand run the country, and to experience Te Papa Museum.


We arrived at Auckland Airport at 5:45am and we departed Auckland at 6.40am, with the flight being approximately an hour. In Wellington, we caught the Airport Flyer (bus) to McDonald's in Courtenay Place. After a yummy breakfast, we walked to Te Papa Museum. Te Papa is also said to be the 'Museum of New Zealand'.

At Te Papa we first visited a section called Awesome Forces; this explained how the natural forces of the earth work. We entered a place called the Earthquake House which showed us footage of the Napier earthquake, it was terrifyingly awesome. We also watched a performance by three members of the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra. It was cool how they explained the instruments and they worked.

After the amazing, interactive, Te Papa experience, we headed off to parliament. We received a guided tour of Parliament and the Beehive. Soon after, we got the chance to watch the leaders of our country do their job—it was really cool.

We then left for the 'train station' to catch our bus back to the airport; this was later followed by dinner of our choice at the airport. Everybody enjoyed the great adventure of Wellington and we arrived back in Auckland safely. School Councillors

**SPCA 'CUP CAKE DAY'**




Next Monday 29th August we will be holding a Cup Cake Day to support the SPCA, with Rooms 10,15 and 26 offering to make the cupcakes. These will sell at 50c, \$1 or \$2. A flyer will be sent home on Friday regarding this.

**RANGITOTO TESTING DAY**

The Rangitoto Testing for Year 8 children going to Rangitoto College will be on Monday 26th September at 9.10am.

**LIBRARY BOOKS**

When returning school Library books, please check that they are returned to the correct library. We have had MVS books returned to Massey and Henderson libraries. If the book/s are overdue it also means that a student cannot be issued with any further books.



**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**WAITAKERE BEARS SOFTBALL CLUB**  
 Taking registrations for 2012 softball season. Email waitakerebears@xtra.co.nz or phone 836-5160.

**KUMEU CRICKET CLUB:** Registration dates Saturday 27August & Saturday 3 September 11.00am to 1.00pm at Kumeu Cricket Club, Tapu Rd, Huapai. Ages 5-18yrs. Contact Christine 416-1005 or email at: christinemaber@xtra.co.nz

**OPEN DAY DIOCESAN SCHOOL:** Thursday 29 September 9.30am-12.30pm, Clyde St, Epsom. For information email ltwyman@diocesan.school.nz.

**CREATIVE SEWING WORKSHOPS** at Kumeu Art Centre. Saturday 10th September and Saturday 8th October form 1-4pm. Suitable for ages 6-12 yrs. Contact Tracey on 021 192 5252 'Nuttynatives' birthday party hosting, or nuttynatives@xtra.co.nz.

**School Councillors and House Captains Trip to Wellington**

