



# MIMI SCHOOL

**"WHERE THE COUNTRY, COAST, AND CLASSROOM MEET"**

**12 August, 2009**

## **Dear parents and caregivers,**

Yesterday our visiting ERO team brought their review to an end with a meeting where the team presented a verbal report to the Board on their findings.

While a thorough ERO review is a challenging experience, it is an extremely worthwhile one, as these reviewers challenge our thinking and help us to identify areas for improvement from an objective perspective. It is important to note that it is the Review Team's job to find areas of good performance as well as areas for improvement and they find both in every school across the country. We have worked closely with the team to identify our next steps for improving the way that learning and teaching of writing is done at Mimi School, in line with the teacher training and target-setting that we have already done in this area. I have appreciated the professional and informed approach of both reviewers and would welcome them

back into my school at any time. Speaking of welcoming people to our school, we welcomed two new students to the Junior Room today. Ben Hubbard and Cody Oxenham have both joined our school today. I am confident that these families will be made to feel welcome by all as they meet our parents at different times.

## **Important Meeting!**

Next Thursday Leon Carter, (from the Ministry of Education), is visiting the school for a meeting regarding Urenui School's recapitation application. If you have any questions that you would like put to Leon regarding Year 7 and 8 education (form 1 and 2) being offered at Urenui School, please let me know, or arrange to attend the meeting in person to voice your questions. It is vital that we give full consideration to the implications of this application being approved before we offer our comments as a school community.

John Elliott



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## **Sports Photos**

Sports photos of the Under 6 and Panther soccer teams, as well as the Stars and Rebels netball teams are available for just \$4.00 from School. Samples are up on the staffroom wall to view.

## **Book Character Day— Reminder**

Tomorrow, Friday we plan to bring Library Week to a close with a Book Day. We would love for the kids to bring their favourite book to school and to come dressed as their favourite book character.

PLEASE NOTE, we want this to be a low-key thing. We do not want families to feel obliged to rent or buy costumes. Making the costume is half of the fun, (now where did my pyjamas end up from last time)

## **Asthma Awareness Week**

Do you know someone with asthma or another respiratory illness who achieves things in their lives despite their illness. **Nominations for the 2009 Asthma and Respiratory Achievers Award close very soon, 31 August, 2009. Nominate them** for an award, email: [achievers@asthmafoundation.org.nz](mailto:achievers@asthmafoundation.org.nz) or visit [www.asthmafoundation.org.nz](http://www.asthmafoundation.org.nz). Each and every award will have transport, meal presented with a special award by the Governor-General.

## **MOKAU WINTER FEST**

### **Please Note:**

The cluster has been split into Junior/Senior Groups for this event with the Juniors only attending on Wednesday.

Because of the other schools in our cluster having Years 7 and 8, our Year 4 students will be classified as JUNIORS and only attend on the Wednesday. Only our 14 Year 5/6 students will attend both days. We will be needing transport for all 38 students for Wednesday.

### **Needed for Winterfest:**

1. Ice-cream container lids
2. Old clothes/paint shirt to wear that can get messed up

***Each Year 1-4 student to bring a piece of fruit or vegetable on WEDNESDAY***

(We will try to get a variety of these so that we don't end up with loads of potatoes!)

**AGM  
TAINUI BOYS & GIRLS  
Thursday,  
20 August, 7 p.m  
Mokau School Library  
All Welcome**

John and Justine will both be attending if anyone wishes to come along to this meeting and share transport.



## **Staff are celebrating...**

Our great kids, and the way that they conduct themselves at school. This was commented on by the ERO team.

ERO were also impressed with the initiatives that we have put in place to improve learning. The B45 programme was considered to be of an extremely high standard, (well done Mrs Butler), and the team are also keen to include reference to the way that we encourage our boys to be boys and express themselves through the kinds of boisterous activities that boys thrive on.

## **Students are celebrating...**

Stories in tents for Library Week! Below Santana reads to Sarah, Oliver, and Jack Butler... COOL!



## **Student of the Week**



Katelyn Chapman was named Student of the Week last week for the effort that she is making to improve her reading and writing skills. Katelyn is constantly growing in skill and confidence not only in the classroom, but also in the playground and on the soccer field as she plays for our 9th Grade Mimi Panthers.

Keep up the effort Katelyn.

## Team Up

The Letter of the Week in the Junior Room is **m**. Help the kids find something that starts with M for the letter table.



# Mm

## Sport Results

### *Mimi Panthers*

Were defeated by Bell Block 5-2.  
Joe Barham was Player of the Day.

## Sport Fixtures

*Mimi Panthers* play St John Bosco at Record Street Soccer Ground  
Please be at the grounds by 9:30.  
If you are unable to get your child to the game, please let Frances or Greg know so transport can be arranged.

The Soccer ground is on Record Street across the road from the Barribal Street Intersection, behind the pre-school

**BELOW: Cody Oxenham and Ben Hubbard settle into the playground during their first day.**



## TERM 3

# CALENDAR

### TAINUI WINTERFEST\*

(Mokau School)

**SENIORS ONLY (Y5/6)**

Tues 18 Aug

**WHOLE SCHOOL**

Wed 19 Aug

**MoE Meeting 3:00pm**

Thurs 20 Aug

**RE Urenui School Recapitation**

**LUCKY BOOKS CLOSE**

Fri, 21 Aug

**STEALING GAMES\*—Senior Class**

**@ TSB SHOWPLACE\***

Fri 28 Aug

**TAINUI CROSS**

**COUNTRY**

Fri 4 Sept

**MIMI SPEECH COMP**

Week 7

**TAINUI SPEECH COMP**

Fri 18 Sept

**SHARED LUNCH**

**FINAL DAY**

Fri 25 Sept

**MR ELLIOTT'S BUBBY**

**IS DUE**

Fri 25 Sept

\* Trips out of school grounds,  
(transport may be needed)

Please contact Jo or John at school for any more information.

## Health and PE forms

*If you have not yet returned your Health and PE consultation forms, please fill them out and send them back to school ASAP.*

This consultation is a legal requirement for the Board of Trustees to undertake.