



# MIMI SCHOOL

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

**8 September 2016**

## **Cross Country**

Well done to all the students who competed in our Cluster Cross Country on Friday. Please see results enclosed.

A big thank you to all the helpers who made our cross country once again a big success, special thanks to Evan Lobb and Neil Davy for setting up the course, our first responder Johnny Oxenham, and all the parents who helped out on the day with setting up, on the BBQ, serving food, selling raffle tickets, doing dishes and cleaning up.

## **Taranaki Cross Country**

The Taranaki Primary Schools Cross Country Championships are held on **Wednesday, 21st September** in Hawera. We have handed out information to all children aged 8 and over who have shown an interest in participating in this event. If your child did not bring a form home, and you would like them to participate, please let us know.

## **Speech Finals**

Congratulations to the following students who are representing Mimi School at the Tainui Cluster speech finals tomorrow at Whareorino School.

Year 6: **William Groves** with his speech "What is the point of homework?"

Year 5: **James Hill** with his speech "What's the point of jobs?"

Year 4: **Zsalea Ellis** with her speech "What is the point of having sisters?"

Year 3: **Jordan Little** with the poem "Rufus McBrown"

Year 2: **Toni Wallace** with the poem "Excuse me please"

Year 1: **Ashlee Duxfield** with the poem "Hipp Sneeze"

We wish them all the best as they compete with other students from the cluster.

We would like to thank Jan Brown for helping us judge the speeches and poems again this year.



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## Students of the week

Last week the Student of the Week Awards went to:

Rimu Room:

**Olivia Sulzberger**  
for creating an excellent piece of Olympic Art. It looked fantastic.



Matai Room:  
**Queenie McClutchie**  
for looking out for others in the playground.



Kowhai Room:

**Joshua Davy**  
for making pleasing progress in all his work.



Well done, kids, keep up the great work!

## Pet Day

Our Pet Day this year will be on **Thursday, 22nd September**.

If you haven't done so yet, please return the form to let us know what animal/s your child/ren's is/are having for Pet Day.

Please also remember to return your trophies before the day.

## Welfare of Animals

This a friendly reminder that pet day will mean more for your child if they are actively involved in the appropriate care and attention of their animal. Judges will be asking the children how often they feed their animal and what ways they have cared for them and trained them.

## Baking/Sweets

are a big part of the fundraising effort on the day, and we rely on all families contributing to this in some way to make it successful. Get baking now and freeze ready for Pet Day. Loaves, cakes, slices, biscuits, jams, chutney, lemon honey, fudge, coconut ice. We will send a plate home with the children next week. Don't forget to mention this to grandparents, family and neighbours and see if they might like to bake something to help out.

## Mums vs. Dads Bake-Off

The votes are in. Here are the bakers for this year's Pet Day Mums vs. Dads Bake off:

### Team Mummy

Karen Gillett

Nikki Evans

Rochelle Sheddon

Steph Foster

Trina Burnard

### Team Daddy

Davis McClutchie

Neil Sarten

Andrew Birchler

Murray Blyde

Andrew Sulzberger

## Pet Day Indoor Projects

Room 3 are in need of corrugated cardboard for a pet day art activity. Room 1 and 2 are in need of boxes, e.g. shoe boxes. If you have any spare, please drop off at school.

## Tainui Pet Day

The date for Tainui Pet Day has been set for **Friday, 21st October 2016**. Can all trophy holders please return their trophies ASAP.

## Stop-Work Meeting

The government are planning a number of big changes to the way schools are funded over the next four years. You may have heard aspects of the proposals through the media. These proposals include the replacement of the decile rankings for funding schools and changing the teacher/student ratios used to allocate staffing levels at each school. The proposed funding changes will have a big effect on the way financial resources will be allocated to every school in New Zealand.

As a result the PPTA (the union for secondary teachers and principals) and the NZEI (the union for primary teachers and principals) have planned a stop work meeting for **Monday, 12th September** for all union members to learn more about the proposals. This is the first time both unions have come together in such a planned and unified manner. For some schools this will mean that students will be encouraged to stay home for the morning.

At Mimi School we will be operating as close as we can to a normal school day. The only change will be that some of the year four's will be placed in Mrs O'Sullivan's class for the morning and some will be placed in Miss Megaw's class.

We will be doing our best to minimise the effect the meeting will have on your children and yourselves.

## Shopping at Warehouse Stationery

When you shop at Warehouse Stationery, please nominate Mimi School at the checkout and they will donate 5% of your purchase value to the school!

## Lucky Bookclub

Orders are due on **Monday, 19th September**. If paying by cheque, please make it out to Scholastic New Zealand. You can also order online through their website.

## Stationery Accounts

Please settle your stationery accounts by the end of this term unless other arrangements have been made.

## End of Wheels at School

With the end of winter we are also approaching the end of the "Wheels at School" season. **This Friday** is the last day to bring scooters and skateboards to school. We will look at doing this again next year.

## Manukorihi Orientation Day

On **Friday, 16th October** Manukorihi Intermediate is having their orientation day for year 6 students and their parents. Please see enclosed information.

If the timing is not suitable to parents, please phone the Manukorihi school office and make alternative arrangements for a visit.

## Yummy Stickers

If you are collecting Yummy Stickers, please remember they have to be in by the end of the term. Thank you!

## Lost

Red Skellerup Gumboots, size 3, labelled McClutchie.

## Hockey

### Next games:

End of Year Tournament, this **Saturday, 10th September**, starting at 9am. Please see enclosed draw for times. A huge thank you to Trina Burdard for all her time and effort she has put into coaching our hockey team this year. It has been a great season. Also a big thanks to our umpires Rylee Redshaw and Tom Butler, we couldn't have done it without you guys, awesome!

## Hockey Summer League

**Funsticks 4-6 year olds**, introduction to hockey through basic fundamental skills

**Summer Hockey for ages 7-13**, skills & games, non-competitive

Fridays 21st Oct – 25th Nov 2016 (6 weeks), 4pm – 5pm, New Plymouth  
Cost \$30 per individual or \$160 for a team, Registrations close 10th October.

## Lepperton Touch

Please find enclosed detailed information and registration form for Touch in Term 4. We need to register teams by **Friday, 16th September**. We would love to hear from parents who would be keen to coach/manage a team.

## Basketball Fundraiser

Quiz Night 16th September at 7pm at East End Surf Club. Tickets \$15 per person. Contact Sarah Blyde on 027 4670603 for details.

Please support this fundraiser for Lucy Blyde/Hannah Lee.

## TERM 3/4 CALENDAR

**\*TAINUI SPEECH COMP.** *Fri 9 Sept*

### HOME&SCHOOL MEET

**(Pet Day)** *Thur 15 Sept*

### \*MANUKORIH

**ORIENTATION** *Fri 16 Sept*

### \*TARANAKI CROSS

**COUNTRY** *Wed 21 Sept*

### MIMI PET DAY

*Thur 22 Sept*

### END OF TERM 3

*Fri 23 Sept*

### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

**BEGINS** *Sun 25 Sept*

### TERM 3 BEGINS

*Mon 10 Oct*

### TOUCH BEGINS

*Tue 11 Oct*

### \*TAINUI PET DAY

*Fri 21 Oct*

### LABOUR DAY

*Mon 24 Oct*

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

Please contact Andrew or Sibylle at school  
for further information.

## Boot Camps

Kids and adults boot camps are starting up again in Term 4  
Contact Alie on 027 2879517 for details.

## Lunch Orders

Here's the roster for the next couple of weeks:

**Friday, 9th Sept: Rochelle Sheddou**

**Friday, 16th Sept: Donna Ellis**