Newsletter – 10th July 2013

Principal's message

This is our final newsletter for the term and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support.

At the end of this week students will bring home their mid-year report. This report will give you information about how your child is doing in relation to their goals, which were set at the start of the year during our 3 way conferences. You will also find out how they are doing in reading, writing and maths, including next steps required for further development as the year progresses. An indication of where your child is at in relation to the end of year National Standard is also on the report. Remember that your child's teacher is the best person to speak to about further detail in relation to National Standards. These standards are not based on any one test or piece of information so it is important to keep this in mind and discuss any concerns you have with the classroom teacher. Your child has also had the opportunity through their own reflection to comment on how they view their learning. Teachers have worked extremely hard on putting together the reports and I am confident that you are receiving a wealth of information. I hope this is the case from your point of view.

It has been an extremely busy term and next term will be no different with the various academic, cultural and sporting opportunities that go on. In week 1 of the term we will welcome our Shijonawate Junior High for the start of



Snapshot on sports:

Weekly results

Netball

MIS A – 7 – Carterton Whero - 17 MIS B – 3 – Lakeview A – 36 MIS Magic – 10 – St Matt's B – 9 MIS Pulse – 14 – Chanel Int B – 9 MIS Mystics – 18 – Lakeview C – 4 MIS Tactix – 5 – Greytown – 10 MIS Steel – 2 – Opaki Aces - 25

Celebrating our successes

our annual exchange, so it will be full on from the get go! I wish the students a well deserved break and look forward to seeing you all

back next term ready to enjoy another term. Finally we say farewell to Miss Mikyla Thompson who is leaving us for a period of time to teach in China. We wish her all the best in her travels and thank her for her outstanding contribution to MIS as a classroom teacher, art specialist, coach and leader of Numeracy.

We also say farewell to Ms Rebekah Mehrtens who is taking leave for the arrival of the new addition to her family. We wish her well as she begins her new journey as a Mum, we have no doubt that she will be equally amazing in this role as she has been as a teacher, coach and performing arts extraordinaire!

On that note we welcome to the staff Janine Southey-Tupaea who will be teaching art and Kate Hamill who will take over Room 12. Both will start in Term 3 and we look forward to having them join the MIS team.

Kara Mason - Principal

<u>Soccer</u> MIS Gunner – 2 – Greytown Stormers – 2 MIS Spurs – 1 – Carterton – 2 MIS Rovers – 1 - Greytown Thunderbirds - 4

<u>Hockey</u> MIS White – 1 – Chanel - 2

A big congratulations to all of our runners who made it to the Wellington Regional Cross Country event which took place on Tuesday at Rathkeale College. All of our runners ran hard, and Teagan Andrews-Paul and Mikael Starzynski have earnt their place at the Nationals event coming up. Well done!

Inquiry Expo

Well done to our learners who have displayed their learning in our inquiry expo this afternoon. It was great to see all of your mahi on show! Also great to see friends and family of the school down here on this cold day celebrating this learning!





<u>Taekwon Do</u>

A big thank you to Nick Lee and his team of tutors who have been leading our students in Taekwon Do training. It has been an amazing experience for our students and it's great that some have signed up to continue with the local club!

<u>One of the family!</u> Philip McFadzean & Avian Chand

Norm Hewitt is a

S.P.C.A spokes person on behalf of the S.P.C.A teaching M.I.S and other schools about making pets "One of the family." Norm also spoke to the school about his past, and his dream of becoming an All Black rugby player, and his success of "Dancing with the stars", and how animals were an important member of the family. He also talked about cruelty to animals and violence as people. Shelly,his business partner talked about the S.P.C.A and animals. Norm is a funny guy, and made the whole school laugh as well as learning some great things about the importance of treating our pets well!



For your information!



iPad MINI draw

This Friday we will be having a special assembly to do the draw for this term's iPad MINI. All you need to do to be in the draw is to have your School Activity Fees paid in full! It's as easy as that! These School Activity Fees allow us to offer the range of learning experiences for your children.

Holiday programmes:

There is a free holiday programme provided by the Masterton Safe & Healthy Community Council and funded by Masterton District Council and Sport Wairarapa Kiwisport. This will be happening from Monday 22nd July until Friday 26th July from 10:00am – 1:00pm and will be taking place at Lakeview School and MIS. PROGRAMME - 10:00am - 1:00pm: 5 to 10

year olds - sports with Wairarapa Bush Rugby. 11 to 13 year olds - Henley Mens Shed to design and make musical instruments followed by the formation of an orchestra to play a composition. FAMILY INVITATION: Orchestra Production: Families are welcome to join us on Thursday at Lakeview Hall for the orchestra production. Sports Tournament: Friday is a sports tournament at Lakeview for all children, buses will deliver children from MIS to Lakeview and return them for pickup at 1.00pm. Again we would love families to join us and support your tamariki. - ENROLMENT ESSENTIAL. See the MIS office for enrolment forms.

"HEY! Are you 8-12 and want something fun to do these School Holidays? How about you come for an Adventure with us at El Rancho at our Adventure Time Camp, it's an awesome week away with so much fun and action to go round! It's only \$189.00 a child, we also have family tickets available, it goes from the 15th July to the 19th of July, you can register at <u>www.elrancho.co.nz</u> we look forward to an awesome Adventure with you!"

There are two free holiday programmes on offer at the Masterton District Library from Wednesday 17th July: 'Winter Warmers' and 'Maths is fun'. See the Masterton District Library to register!

Lullabye's School Holiday Programme – spaces available, fun day trips, laser tag etc. Bookings phone 06 561 8133 or text 027 952 6091. The Lullabye's open day takes place on 20th July at the Harley St Scout Hall from 10am-4pm. Free activities for all ages.

