

NEWSLETTER – 16 September 2011

Kia Ora tatou katoa, Talofa, Kia Orana, Malo e lelei, Ni Sa Bula, Assalam Alaikum, Nihao, Namaste, Buon Giorno, Mingalaba, He mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa!



From the Principal ...

I hope you are all enjoying the Rugby World Cup! I haven't noted a day that the teachers haven't been talking about it. I know that they've been talking in the classrooms about it too as it's a real area of interest for so many of our children. Our Miramar South teachers know that it's easier to engage the student in their learning when lessons are built around a topic that they are really interested in. I've included in this newsletter the words of the New Zealand National Anthem for those of you new to New Zealand, and for those of you who may get stuck on one or two lines!

The staff and I were really pleased to see such a good turnout of whanau at our School Cross Country last Friday. Thank you for coming and being part of this event. The results are published later in the newsletter. We will publish photos of the event in our next newsletter.



We are still awaiting a Ministry decision on our recent consultations and merger discussions. Please be assured that when we know anything, we will let you know!

We hold our school assembly every Friday at 1.30pm in the hall. This time is to celebrate the achievement and learning that has taken place over the week. We sing songs, and the Teachers award certificates to children who have stood out above the rest. Occasionally some parents and family members come and it's always really nice to have you there. I want you to know that you are always welcome at our weekly celebration and as always we encourage you to come.

I would like to congratulate and acknowledge the following students who were presented with Principal Awards at our recent assembly. These children were presented these awards for being motivated learners.

Room 2	Room 3	Room 5	Broadway South	Broadway North
Tyrese Aerengamate	Jayden Handscomb	Fouletoa Esekia	Duh Ceo Thang	Hassan Ahmed

Zoo Trip Reminder!

Don't forget the school trip to Wellington Zoo next Tuesday 20 September! The children will be taken to the Zoo by bus which leaves the school at 9.15am. We take the roll before they leave, so please make sure your children are at school on time at 8.50am when the bell goes. We will be back at school at 2.45pm. Please make sure you have completed and returned the permission slip. No permission slip, no trip! Make sure your child has good walking shoes on, a warm jacket and plenty of lunch and water for the day. Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who have volunteered to help supervise on the day. More parent support is required so please let your child's teacher know if you are available.



Student Stationery

A reminder that all children need to have their own pencils, pens and a ruler brought to school from home for use at school. Although the school supplies a small range of stationery for the children to use, we do need your support to ensure they bring these few items so that costs don't escalate.



School Website

Parents can find a copy of our school newsletters on line via our school website. To visit the website go to www.miramarssouth.school.nz

Cross Country Results!

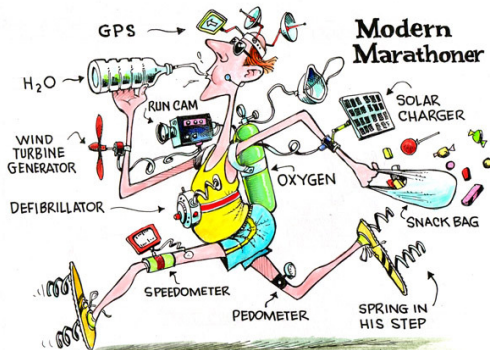
Congratulations to all the children who ran the cross country. Everybody finished with various times, and we are proud of you all for competing! Pictures in the next newsletter issue!

Overall Cross Country winners were:

First BoyMohamed Mohamud
 First GirlPriscilla Solo
 Second BoyJC Paraire
 Second GirlBawi Len Sung Siar Ling
 Third BoyHassan Ahmed
 Third GirlBernadine Solo

Results per year group were:

Year 1 First Boy Misiperema Reupena
 Year 1 First Girl Sarah Thang
 Year 2 First Boy Joshua Semu
 Year 2 First Girl Olivia Kelly
 Year 3 First Boy Craig Esekia
 Year 3 First Girl Rebecca Siar Ling
 Year 4 First Boy Joseph Thang
 Year 4 First Girl Bernadine Solo
 Year 5 First Boy Roderick Solo
 Year 5 First Girl Faith Samuvalu
 Year 6 First Boy Duh Ceu Thang
 Year 6 First Girl Lemau Atonio
 Year 7 First Boy Mohamed Mohamud
 Year 7 First Girl Priscilla Solo
 Year 8 First Boy JC Paraire
 Year 8 First Girl Sui Tha lang Thang



Things Rugby!

For your rugby watching information, please find below the words to the New Zealand National Anthem in both Maori and English!



Māori Version

E Ihowā Atua,
 O ngā iwi mātou rā
 Āta whakarangona;
 Me aroha noa
 Kia hua ko te pai;
 Kia tau tō atawhai;
 Manaakitia mai
 Aotearoa

English Version

God of Nations at Thy feet,
 In the bonds of love we meet,
 Hear our voices, we entreat,
 God defend our free land.
 Guard Pacific's triple star
 From the shafts of strife and war,
 Make her praises heard afar,
 God defend New Zealand.

What's Coming Up!

16 September	Samoan Group Fono - 5.00 pm in the Hall.
20 September	Zoo trip.
6 October	Moonlight Disco.
7 October	Last Day of Term 3!
25 October (Tuesday)	First Day of Term 4!



Kaku noa na.

Kyran Smith
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MIRAMAR SOUTH SCHOOL

- † Spring Knack Market - Berhampore School, Britomart Street, Saturday 17 September @ 9.30am-2.30pm.
- † Scouts - free one month trial membership - phone 0800 SCOUTS, or download details by going to www.scouts.org.nz click "Join Now".
- † Junior Cricket Registration Day - Saturday 24 September. For times and venues go to www.firebirds.co.nz or telephone 04-8012850.

