

## NEWSLETTER NO 5

### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2009

#### Dear Parents/Caregivers

It's hard to believe that today is the last day of the first Term and the holidays are almost upon us. It's been a very busy Term and we hope that our Year 7s have enjoyed their first ten weeks at Naenae Intermediate. As a staff we have been very proud of them. They have coped well with the rigours of transitioning from their Contributing School and have been enthusiastic in taking advantage of the new opportunities available. The Year 8's have also stepped up, and as well as making the most of the leadership opportunities available to them, have acted as role models for our new students. We hope they all have a relaxing holiday and return to school refreshed on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April. Thank you also to all our parents and caregivers who have supported us by ensuring their child has completed homework, is at school everyday wearing full uniform and has everything they need to get them through the day.

#### Intermediate Athletics Competition

Congratulations to our athletes who represented us so well at this event held at Newtown Park recently. Performances of note included:

**Todd Whitaker** 1<sup>st</sup> Year 8 High Jump (New record) 2<sup>nd</sup> Year 8 Long Jump.  
**Diana Oloapu** 1<sup>st</sup> Year 7 Shotput 2<sup>nd</sup> Discus  
**Macinta Tesimale** 1<sup>st</sup> Year 7 Discus 2<sup>nd</sup> Shotput  
**Lester Maulolo** 3<sup>rd</sup> Year 8 Shotput  
**Maria Barrett** 1<sup>st</sup> Year 8 Discus  
**Derrell Crichton, Isaako Sopoaga, Lester Maulolo, Daniel Miimetuapoko** - 1<sup>st</sup> Year 8 Boys Relay

#### Interschool Volleyball

Congratulations to all players and coaches Leigh Rangiwhetu and Mike Brightwell for their amazing success at the Interschool Volleyball Tournament held at Avalon Intermediate yesterday. All four Volleyball teams (Year 7 boys and girls, Year 8 boys and girls) won their grades. Well done Naenae Intermediate!

#### Venture Class Term 2

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected for the first Venture Class of the year.

Amy Perkins Rm 16	Ashley Bogish Rm 6
Bjorn Van Beusekom Rm 21	Bob Campbell Rm 21
Bailey Price Clark Rm 11	Tom Basire Rm 6
Eden Vaalu Rm 11	Jonti Cullen Rm 6
Michael Ladd Rm 14	Mihad Bashe Rm 19
Regina Lee Rm 13	Samuel Su Rm 21
Savannah Dawson Rm 12	Leah Austin Rm 11
Stephen Yee - Hughes Rm 21	Kendall Bailey Rm 18
James Lynch Rm 18	Luke Alefosio Rm 16
Thomas Mallender Rm 11	
Laine Te Moananui Rm 15	

If you filled in an application form for your child and they haven't been selected, your application will remain valid for Term 4 Venture Class selection.

### **LOTE and Leisure Education**

Our Languages Other Than English programme started yesterday with Year 7 students being taught either Maori or French (they will do both languages throughout the year) and Year 8s being taught either Japanese or German. In addition, we are offering Spanish for the first time with Miss Page working with a composite group of Year 7 and 8 students. Students who opted to join the Cultural Group will be meeting at this time to learn new songs and gain an appreciation of Maori and Pacifica culture.

The Leisure Education programme also started yesterday with students opting in to activities such as jewellery making, squash, handball, summer salads, volleyball, rugby 7s, balsa wood gliders, table tennis, music appreciation, skateboarding, storming the heights and computer graphics. Please ask your child what activity he/she is involved in.

### **Goal Setting Sheets**

Hopefully your child brought home a goal setting sheet last week. Could you please read this together with your child and throughout the year check on the progress he/she is making at meeting the goals. This progress will also be reviewed at the Parent/ Teacher interviews in June.

### **School Photos**

Class and individual photos will be taken Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April. Correct money in the envelopes sent home last week must be returned to school before this date.

### **Sausage Sizzle**

The canteen will be closed on the last day of Term. However, the PTA will be holding a sausage sizzle. An order form is attached to this Newsletter.

### **Parking in Walters Street**



When picking up your child after school could you please refrain from parking on the yellow lines? As well as cars narrowly missing each other as they pass in the street, there have been incidences of students nearly being run over as they cross the road to get into an illegally parked car.

### **Milo Cup cricket**



The girls successful run in this competition came to an abrupt end last week with a loss to Tawa Intermediate. However the girls are to be commended for their efforts and their sportsmanship which was commented on by opposition coaches.

The boy's team have had two good wins against Eastern Hutt and Wainui Intermediate. Their next game is against Wellesley College

### **Term 2**

School will reopen for the start of Term 2 at 8.50 on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April. Have a great holiday.

Thank you

Steve Black