

Congratulations to the School Council for organizing the **Mad Dress Up Day** which raised a total of \$206 towards our World Vision sponsorship. There were some great costumes and great fun had by children.

WARM WELCOME THIS WEEK TO: Madeline Hewitt-Van Rooyen, Kaiya Jacobs and Grace Kemp, we wish you a long and enjoyable stay here with us.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK TO: Bianca Hirst, Alofagia Siufaga, Erin Geraghty and Angela Zhong.

BUDGET 2010 – There were a couple of surprises in the Budget – tax cuts for all and announcement of a 4% increase in school operations budget from January 2011. Unfortunately, the government's own estimate of inflation is that it will grow to 6% so we are not really any better off. The government has also cancelled \$45 million of proposed cuts to teacher staffing next year.

SPONSORS – We acknowledge and thank our newsletter sponsors and ask you to consider using their services. Special thanks to long time sponsors Chris Carter and Magan Lala. Thanks also to;

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ONE STOP SHOP – We can provide you with initial services from a lawyer, health nurse, budgeting, J.P. and behavioral help. If you need an initial free appointment for advice or help please contact Jo or Wayne to arrange.

FRIDAY ASSEMBLY – Our **Samoan Language Group** are presenting Friday's assembly tomorrow – 2.15 pm Hall.

TE ATATU INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL – YEAR 6 STUDENTS – Next **TUESDAY 1st JUNE** from 9-10.20 am our Year 6 students will visit Te Atatu Intermediate School for an Open Morning, to look around the school, meet the teachers and participate in an interesting and informative session in one of the Technology Rooms.

GARDEN BOXES – Last year Mr Pilkington presented an idea to our Strategic Journey that all classes established garden boxes. These have been provided and congratulations to Rooms 9, 15, 5, 2, 3, 6 and 8 and especially Room 16 on your great efforts. Great to see these 8 classes doing so well and providing extra opportunities and interests for kids. Well done and let's hope we see the other 8 classes following suit.

WOOD – **free for removal.** I had my deck replaced and have a pile of decking wood in long lengths suitable for firewood or possible re-use – contact Wayne.

SATURDAY 22th MAY NETBALL RESULTS:

Game:	Player/s of the Day:
Matipo Stars lost vs Titirangi Honey Bees	Tahitia Naisara-Babulal
Matipo Kiwis won 10-0 vs Bayfield Oranges	Mara-Shelle Slatter & Margaret Lowe
Matipo Diamonds lost vs Kaurilands Lightning	Sydney Magnus
Matipo Rubies won 4-3 vs St Paul's Jets	Mia Sutton
Matipo Ferns won 5-2 vs Flanshaw Force	Shayne-Marie Taia
Matipo Mystics lost vs Henderson Valley Warriors	Vanessa Gabriel

SCHOOL 'RULES'/PROTOCOLS – We don't have too many rules but it is timely to again re-state them;

- * Only children Year 4 and above may ride their bikes to school and they must wear a helmet. Younger children wishing to do so must be accompanied by their parents.
- * Bike must be walked, not scootered or ridden in the school grounds.
- * Girls must only wear studs or sleepers in their ears, not flashy or dangly earrings.
- * Boys must not have extreme haircuts including "carvings", rats tails or Mohawks.
- * If a cell phone needs to be brought to school it must be handed in to the office before school and picked up at home time or else the school take no responsibility for its loss or damage.
- * Similarly, items of real or sentimental value should not be brought to school.

Rutherford Preschool Community Education and Care Centre
- operates 8am-4pm / closed during school holidays with limited vacancies available in the Infant Care Unit (0-2 yrs), Phone 8348844, situated in the Rutherford College Grounds.

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