

There is some disagreement about the introduction of National Standards, as you know. An overlooked aspect is that children are at school for 6 hours a day. Who has them for the other 18 hours?

“the education of a child involves the whole village”.

The achievement of our children should be a partnership between home and school. You can help your child at home by:

- taking an interest in their school, reading to them, with them and by them.
- helping with homework, providing learning experiences
- ensuring plenty of sleep, food, warmth, being at school on time and every day
- limiting television.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY this week to: Mereana Mua, Luke Winther, Jared McCarthy and Maatika Heketoa.

WARM WELCOME THIS WEEK TO: Teagina Aleluia, we wish you a long and enjoyable time here at Matipo Primary School.

QUOTE “People can be divided into 3 groups: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen and those who wonder what happened!”

WANTED –
 For return to school, any more “Travelling Ted” books and also “Yellow Pages” help–the-school notice.

Open Day at First Steps Te Atatu - 633-635 Te Atatu Rd Te Atatu Peninsula. Saturday 27th Feb 2010 10am to 12.30pm
 Meet the teachers and check out our newly renovated and well resourced center. **Free** Coffee & Cake. Face painting, bubbles & fun.



GOOD NEWS - We are starting with BEFORE SCHOOL CARE

At Matipo Primary School from 8TH March 2010
 Make new friends, Safe environment and friendly staff,
 Open 7.15am – 8.15am, Breakfast provided,
 WINZ SUBSIDY AVAILABLE. For more Information, please call Sapna on
 09 8185955 or 0275655251 or email to matipo@skids.co.nz.

KIP MCGARTH – help your child achieve goals in English and Maths through individual specialized learning tuition. Call for a free no obligation assessment, ph 836 9061.

CALLING FOR PARENT VOLUNTEERS FOR ROAD PATROL – to assist after and/or before school with our Warden Patrols – cnr Matipo & Taikata Roads (by the Dairy), before school or after school 3:00-3:15pm. Please leave your name & contact details with the office if you are able to help. This is a very busy corner and often cars do not indicate or are travelling at speed.

TEACHERS STOP WORK MEETING – the Teachers Union, the NZEI have advised that a paid union meeting will be held on **Tuesday 23rd March** from 1-3:00pm at Te Atatu Intermediate. Unfortunately this means this school (along with the other Te Atatu Schools) will close at **12:30 pm**. Some skeleton supervision from non-union members plus myself, will be available.

FREE BRASS BAND CONCERTS @ The Falls, Henderson, Sundays @
 2:00 pm. February 21st Kumeu Brass
 March 7th RNZAF Band
 March 21st Waitakere Brass

CONGRATULATIONS to **Jackie Young** for setting 2 personal bests at the New Zealand Age Group Championships last weekend.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following children selected to be House Captains for 2010;

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| <i>Tangaroa</i> | : | <i>James Patterson & Madison Furmenger</i> |
| <i>Tawhiri</i> | : | <i>Courtney Dawson & Darryn Collins</i> |
| <i>Rangi</i> | : | <i>Ruby Coombes & Logan Kemp</i> |
| <i>Tane</i> | : | <i>Angela Zhong & Eddie Malua</i> |

NEW ENTRANT ENROLMENTS – On March 1st we report to the Ministry of Education on our 2010 roll and our new entrant pre-enrolment numbers. This determines how much staffing and money we receive. With children now in child care all over Auckland, it is very hard to work out how many new entrant classes we will need. If your child is starting school this year or next year could you please fill in the reply slip and return to school **TOMORROW**. Thank you.

2010 PRE-ENROLMENTS OF NEW ENTRANT CHILDREN

Name of child: _____
D.O.B.: _____ **Phone:** _____
Address: _____

*TOO MUCH T.V IS BAD FOR LEARNING * *READ WITH YOUR CHILD EVERY NIGHT**