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Well what a fantastic couple of weeks we have had!



Congratulations to Sue, Fred, and all the students of rooms 3 & 4 on superb performances at last week's MASSIVE. Once again we are seen to be "punching above our weight" .

I have had many compliments about the high level of skill and presentation our students achieved and the depth of the thinking that sat behind our performance.

It is a tribute to all that the ideas and aspirations of our senior students were so ably portrayed on the stage - and a reminder to all of us to (as Tayne so eloquently put it) "...dig deep and be true to ourselves."

Congratulations also to Amanda, Caleb and Emily for their public speaking roles. Thank you to all those who lent a hand with supervision, make up, costuming and transport. It is this level of support that allows us to take advantage of such opportunities for our students.

We were also fortunate to have had Jillian Sullivan sharing some of her wonderful work with the 'authors' of Rooms one and two.

Opportunities such as this are sometimes made available as part of book week celebrations throughout the country ... having ties through Ela made it all the more special - thank you Jillian!

These next two weeks sees sporting opportunities for years 5 – 8 and our own book week celebrations ... feel free to join us as the party continues !

Pip

Upcoming events

- This Thursday... **BOOK** Character dress up day.
- Yr 5 & 6 Under 100 Student Schools Rippa Rugby Tournament will be held this Friday at Upper Moutere Domain, starting at 10.45 and the last lot of games will finish about 2.15pm
- Year 7 & 8 Tackle Rugby 7 a-side will be held at Sports Park Motueka from approx 10:00am to 2:00pm on Thursday 4 June

Road Works

Thank you for your patience with this. The Board have worked over many months to get this to happen and we are pleased that the ongoing filling of potholes will be no longer necessary.

Please continue to use the Dicker Rd entrance, if at all possible, until this work has been completed.

QUIZ NIGHT ... Start sorting your winning team for Friday 26 June

Principal's Blog...

Yes, Pip is trialling this as a vehicle for getting the whiteboard messages out to those of you who don't congregate around the front door...thanks to the feedback from last week's Parent forum.

You can follow this link... <http://tasmanprincipal.blogspot.com/>

Music

It is wonderful to see so many of the wishes identified in last year's Parent Forum become a reality! Music learning and opportunities were considered a high priority this time last year.

Damon has now got a full day with large numbers of guitarists and ukulele players, and Jill is providing tuition for our flautists on a Wednesday. Alicia is still keen to provide vocal tuition (for students 7 years and above) but at the moment we have only two takers. Please see Pip or Margo if you are interested.

Teachers continue to provide some wonderful musical teaching for our students as is apparent every morning as I walk past classrooms... and this year we are turning our "arts" attention onto visual art ...Keep watching this space!

Taste Tasman

We have a great team of people who have put their hand up to do various aspects of organising this wonderful event. Thanks to Saree and Laura for their work in getting the ball rolling. If you have not been approached and would like to be part of the organising team for next years fabulous event, please let Pip or Laura know. Thanks

Farewell to Ellyce Jenkins who has been working in Room 4 as part of her Teacher training programme. Ellyce was a great help with MASSIVE, in addition to working closely with Sue and the Room 4 students.

MASSIVE

WOW! What a massive week it was for Rooms 3 &4!

As some of you may know **MASSIVE** was on Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday last week. There were six schools entered including Motueka South, Brooklyn, Upper Moutere, Parklands, Riwaka and of course Tasman. Lower Moutere and Tasman Bay Christian School designed artwork that was displayed outside the hall. We had a lot of fun although it was very noisy!



The theme was '**Imagine**'...so we imagined a girl feeling really low because she was being bullied. She travelled to a spiritual land where she found her inner strength to stand up to the bullies. The **kotuku** was a big part because it transported her to the spirit land. The spirit dance was the **kotuku** dancing around the girl.

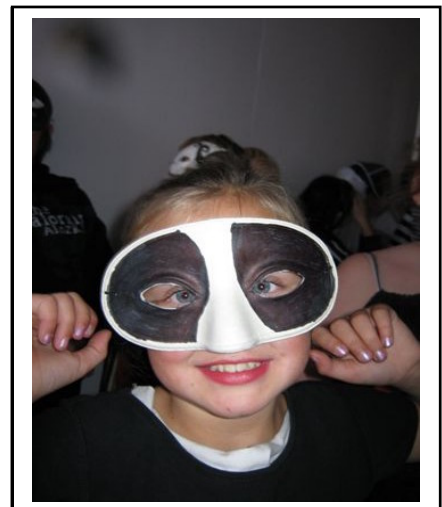
Since we didn't start on **MASSIVE** last term we had to start in week one. Personally I thought we wouldn't have all of it finished in time but I was wrong. Every schools idea was different but amazing!

It was a great experience for every student!

All of us in **MASSIVE** want to thank all the parents that helped out back stage, and with all the transport, and the teachers -for guiding us along the way and putting our **MASSIVE** together. Thank you also to Ashley and Mrs Shand for choreographing the hip hop dance for us.

It was wonderful!

By Emily Gordon



Reminder : Winter Days can turn warm – and winter clothes get shed all over the grounds by hot children. Please remember to label, or in some way name, clothing which may be abandoned. Thanks to those who have already done so.

TASBAY KIDZ NEWS;

Hi all –

Holidays will be here before you know it - how time flies!

The holiday programme for the first week of the holidays (Monday 6th July - Friday 10th July) is in its final planning stages so watch this space...



We have recently obtained a 2 year block funding contract from MSD (Ministry of Social Development) BUT our funding from them has been greatly reduced as the 'money pot' supports many more programmes than it did 5 years ago.

To this end we are having to increase our fees, both in the after school and holiday programmes. This is the first time – despite rising costs since the programme began.

The after school programme will cost \$10.00 per session per day 3pm - 5pm, from the beginning of June. and there are substantial subsidies available via WINZ. (See Sal for details.)

This programme is reliant on your support for its ongoing viability.

MANY THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO HAS - AND IS- SUPPORTING OUR PROGRAMMES.

Regards

Sal

Coming Events

This week	Book week
Wednesday 27 May	Room 4 Camp meeting 7pm
Thursday 28 May	“Come as your favourite character “day
Friday 29 May	Rippa rugby Years 5 &6
Monday 1 June	Queens birthday weekend
Tuesday 2 June	Motueka Band performance 9.15 am
Thursday 4 June	Tackle rugby tournament – Year 7 &8
Friday 19 June	Teacher Only Day
Thursday 25 June	Gymnastics A grade
Friday 26 June	Gymnastics B grade
Friday 26 June	QUIZ NIGHT 7pm
Wed 1 – Fri 3 July	Life Education Trust caravan
Friday 3 July	Last day of term

Grateful Thanks from students and staff to Alan Wastney, Toni & Andy Collin and Jo Bailey for supplying beautiful fruit for the students over the last months.

Sincere thanks also to Ross Ormsby who visited us this week and who motivated our students to make the most of every day.



MASSIVE



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