



# MAPLE LEAFLET

## Maple Leaf International School

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As we celebrate and enjoy Easter, it's also a time to extend thankfulness to our MLIS school body, PTA, Board of Directors and all supporters who extend time and effort to improving and building our school for a better tomorrow. The staff of Maple Leaf International School wish you a very happy Easter.

<b>CALENDAR OF PAST AND UPCOMING EVENTS</b>	
April 8th	Secondary Reports to go home
April 14th	Secondary Parent Interviews— <b>Shortened Day</b>
April 15th	Last day of classes for Term 2
April 18th—29th	Easter Holidays
May 2nd	First day of classes for Term 3
May 30th	Indian Arrival Day



### MAPLE LEAF INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL WALKATHON



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Students from Maple Leaf International School participated in their annual walkathon on Saturday 26th March, at Samaan Park, Tucker Valley, Chaguaramas. After the walkathon there were many activities that the students could enjoy including Tin Pan Alley, obstacle course, face painting, and swinging from the Samaan tree with Ollie. The PTA were instrumental in organizing the event, providing food and drinks and it was a great fun day for all!

Gr. 2 Mitchell's class won the overall prize for collecting the largest sum of money, (\$7,961.00) for the MLIS Walkathon. Hannah Leon won first prize for the most money collected overall from Primary Campus and received a notepad computer as the winning prize. From the Main Campus, Ana Ferriera received a flat screen TV for second prize and Loren Hale came in third place and won himself a Nokia cell phone. Total amount raised to date is over \$50,000.00. See more photographs on page 2.

*"Life affords no greater responsibility, no greater privilege, than the raising of the next generation"*

## ELEMENTARY SPORTS DAY



On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April, students from JK – Grade 5 participated in sports day at the St. Mary's Grounds starting at 8:00 a.m. and finishing on time at 1:30 p.m. This year the Blue House ran away with the House challenge trophy, followed by Yellow, Red and Green Houses. The Junior Victor Ludorum went to Joel Baylis, while the Junior Victrix Ludorum went to Kaleigh Wenzelmann, both of Grade 5. There was a tie for the Victor Ludorum in the Primary division between Jeremy Yu of Grade 1 and Jonathan Thompson of Grade 3. The Primary Victrix Ludorum went to Carla Atteih of Grade 3.

The PTA contributed their time and effort to ensure that there was enough food and drinks available for all the students, staff and parent support. We extend to all PTA mem-

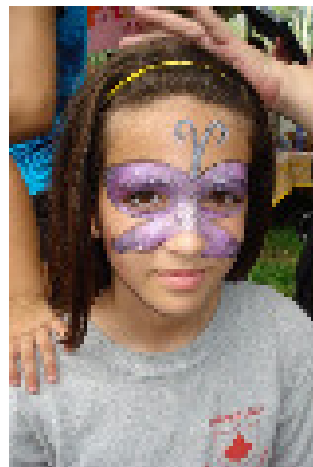
bers our appreciation for all their efforts to a successful sports day event.

Students from our secondary grades helped to prepare the students in an orderly fashion before and after the races and did a great job keeping the music flowing throughout the whole event. Members of the Defense Force PTI came to help in the running of the races and the Red Cross was on the sidelines in the event we needed medical service. Winston and Jacqueline provided security for the grounds and Kelby assisted in maintaining a clean environment, whilst cheering on the students. Gatorade was provided free for everyone, compliments of Vemco.

## MLIS WALKATHON ACTIVITIES



*Ollie's swing.....*



*Face Painting*



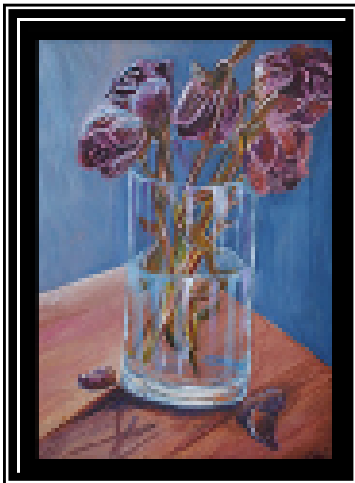
*Take a try at Tin Pan Alley.*

## CURRENT AND PAST ART STUDENT NEWS

Shannon Kenny, a past student of MLIS will be graduating from Tampa University this June with a BFA and has been accepted into two graduate programmes in New York to study art therapy in September. Kyle Knaggs has been studying architecture at the University of Texas and has maintained a 4.0 average for the past 3 years. He has been nominated by the architecture department for a further scholarship for his 4th year which will take him to Europe. in September.

Our current grade 12 student Anne Marie Hadeed was successful in a recent art competition, Women in Art, held in March 2011. The Women In Art Organization of Trinidad and Tobago, founded by artist Fraulein Rudder was launched on 20th July 1996. They hold an annual competition open to secondary school students and this is the first year that Maple Leaf International School entered the competition and placed second, earning an honorary mention in the category of still life. Anne Marie will be heading off to Canada to continue her art education in the field of design.

Below is Anne Marie's painting, Roses which won 2nd place for still life and her drawing, Keys, for honorary mention.



ROSES—2nd place for still life



KEYS drawing—honorary mention

## JUST BECAUSE FOUNDATION (JBF)

### Children's Walk against Paediatric Cancer

Grades JK – 6 will be participating in the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual JBF Kiddi K – Children's Walk against Paediatric Cancer on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2011 at King George V Park, St. Clair from 12:00 noon – 5:30 p.m.

MLIS will also take part in the banner contest which will give the students the opportunity to be creative and to show support for critically ill children. Trophies are to be won for the best banners on display and the group/school with the largest number of registered participants will win one desktop computer.

For those who wish, a contribution of \$60.00 for adults and \$40.00 for children entitles you to a "Kiddi K" T-shirt and Bandana. For groups of 25 persons and over, the cost will be \$50.00 for adults and \$30.00 for children.

We would like to encourage all students and parents to come out and support this cause and thank you in advance for your support.



## Maple Leaf Guidance

In October, MLIS was very fortunate to have Dr. Kenneth Charles speak to all students about the Trinidad and Tobago Blood Transfusion Services. The change from the 'chit' system was explained to the students and since January 2011, blood is free and available to all as needed. Dr. Charles encouraged each of us to become lifelong blood donors.

I would propose that in May, MLIS students, staff and parents attend a blood donor clinic and participate in blood donation. It is most important that young people embrace the concept of free and safe blood transfusions for all.

Please speak to me or e-mail if you would be willing to participate and/or assist with this initiative.

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### MOTTO COMPETITION

The Motto competition is open to all Maple Leaf students and the author of the best Motto will not only receive a certificate acknowledging his/her contribution to the school, that person will also receive a \$500 gift certificate. In addition, a plaque with the winner's photo, name, and the winning Motto will be displayed in the school recognizing the students contribution.

Can you identify what qualities and traits set Maple Leaf International School and its students apart from other schools and students in Trinidad? Entries must be original pieces.