



COMING EVENTS

Tuesday 10 May	Kindy Parent Evening
Wednesday 11 May	Class 1 Parent Meeting
Monday 16 May	High School Accord Day (Teacher only day for HS)
Tuesday 17 May	High School Parent-Teacher Conferences
Tuesday 17 May	Class 5 Parent Meeting
Thursday 19 May	Class 3 Parent Meeting
Friday 20 May	Kindy Lantern Festival

Kia ora whānau,

Ngā mihi maioha; ngā mihi manahau ki ā koutou katoa. Nau mai ki te wahanga tuarua

It has been fantastic to have our ākonga and staff back. A warm welcome to our new students and their whanau who started at our kura this week, it is wonderful to have you in our school.

I thought that it would be good to share how COVID impacted our school last term and moving forward I will update the table at the end of each month. The figures represent confirmed cases only that were reported to the school by parents. They do not include students and staff who had to isolate as a household contact.



Confirmed COVID cases for Michael Park School		
	Students	Staff
February	2	0
March	69	2
April	6	3
May (week 1, term 2)	2	2
Total	79	7

There are a number of events that are scheduled for this term, and I am looking forward to the opportunity where we will be able to attend these together as a community.

Kai maumahara ki tōu mana āhua ake - Cherish your absolute

uniqueness!

Have a wonderful weekend.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Desmond Pemerika
Tumuaki | Principal



HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Kia ora whānau,

Just acknowledging two important calendar dates that are coming up within the High School where there will be **no classes for students on these two days.**

Monday 16th May: The 3rd step in updating curriculum areas with a National Accord day. These days are set aside to support the implementation of changes to NCEA and support progress and student achievement.

Tuesday 17th May: We have our Parent Teacher Student conferences starting at 12pm and running through until 7pm. Students are encouraged to be part of these meetings but there will be no formal classes on this date. Appointments for these conferences have opened. To access the booking system, go online at www.parentinterviews.co.nz

Enter school code **J7W73U7Z** and press GO.

Step 1: Enter name, email address, and students name/s and press GO

Step 2: Choose the teacher/s you want to see for each student and press GO

Step 3: To choose interview time, click the checkboxes. Press Go to confirm interviews

Missing checkboxes mean that time has already been booked by someone else or teachers are not available.

Your Interview is Confirmed: on this page you will see your interviews listed. You can cancel, update, add, reschedule and print.

Click **'Finished'** when complete.

Ngā mihi nui,

Andrew Johnstone
High School Deputy Principal

CHARITY TEAM UPDATE

TE AO MĀORI

Kia Ora koutou,

Community Kapa haka will start up again in next week in the whare. If you are interested in joining email me so I can include you in communications.

andreag@michaelpark.school.nz

This is an adult kapa haka group. Children are welcome to join us with you. We meet Tuesday nights at 5.30 - 6.30pm.

Whakaaro o te wiki: Thought of the week

Mā te rongo, ka mōhio;

Mā te mōhio, ka mārama;

Mā te mārama, ka mātau

Mā te mātau, ka ora.

From listening comes knowledge;

From knowledge comes understanding;

From understanding comes wisdom;

From wisdom comes well-being.

It's back... The MPS Talent Show! In honour of the Queen's 70th Jubilee Year it is the:

MPS ROYAL VARIETY PERFORMANCE

Friday 27 May, 7pm

Sign up, sign up, we need talent! Email

cathyd@michaelpark.school.nz

Talent show for Classes 1-8 as well as a Senior Showcase of our amazing talented students. There will be royal judges and prizes to be won.

Please come and support us; bring your friends, family and neighbours. Tickets only \$5 - on sale at the office from 16 May. Door sales also available.

All proceeds to our sponsor student Swaita Chettri.

We have been sponsoring Swaita for two years now. She lives in West Sikkim, a small village in India very close to Nepal. Our lovely Class 3 teacher Sophie van der Have volunteered with HELP (Himalayan Education Lifeline Programme) and gave us the idea of sponsoring Swaita. We are committed to journey with Swaita through her schooling.

This is the information her school has given us. Swaita is 6 years old and has been staying in the hostel since she was 3 years old. She is the smartest girl in her class. Her hobbies are dancing and reading books. Her ambition is to be a good doctor. Her house is 2 hours' walk (uphill) from the school. Her mother (who is a single mother) lost her job as a labourer in a private factory when the factory closed due to Covid19.

The cost for sponsorship amounts to ₹60,000 INR (around \$1200 NZD) which covers school fees, stationery, hostel fee and other fees for the entire year.

We are committed to raising about \$1200 a year for Swaita.



Bone and Stone Carving (Toi Manawa workshops)

For students in Class 5 to 12.

Saturdays and Sundays (10am to 5pm) starting this Sunday 8 May. Workshops are held in the Woodwork Room.

These workshops are funded by Creatives in Schools; there is no cost for MPS students to attend.

Booking essential.

Please email arlenec@michaelpark.school.nz

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Friday 13th May

Start date

Friday 8th July

End date

Library 1.30 - 2.30pm

Room

\$ 150

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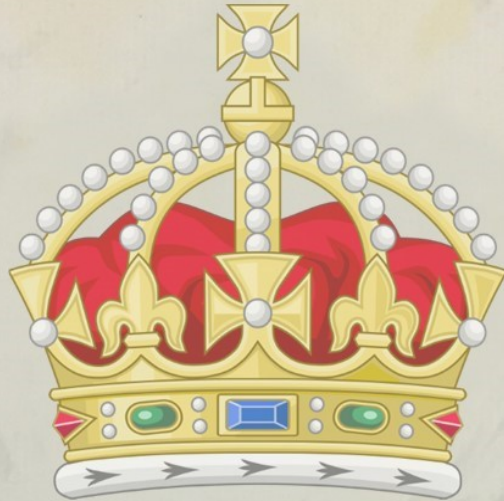
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FRIDAY 27 MAY

7 PM

VIP

TICKETS \$5

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ALL PROCEEDS TO SWAITA OUR SPONSOR STUDENT IN INDIA