



COMING EVENTS

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Wednesday 15 June	Open Day, 9am & 3pm
Thursday 16 June	Class 3 Market (Lunchtime)
Friday 17 June	Matariki Breakfast
Friday 17 June	Class 2 Lunch Bar
Tuesday 21 June	Kindy Koru Festival
Wednesday 22 June	High School Sports
Thursday 23 June	Takurua Festival 5.30pm Food for sale from 4pm
Friday 24 June	MATARIKI HOLIDAY

having been a student here herself and her mother was also a lower school teacher here. She and her family are looking forward to moving back to Auckland. Kura will start her new role at our school from term 3.

Have a wonderful weekend.

GO THE BLUES!

GO THE WARRIORS!

Ngā mihi nui,
Desmond Pemerika
Tumuaki



WE MADE THE COVER!
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Kia ora whānau,

Thank you to our parents who were able to attend our values, vision & mission workshops that were held this week. The information gathered is going to assist in the next stage of the process when our Board, Trust, College of Teachers and Senior Leadership Team meet later this month.



On Wednesday we will be holding our first **open day** in two years. Please spread the word to whānau and friends who may be interested in our school. There are two sessions on that day, at **9am or 3pm**, where groups will be shown around our kura (and kindergarten at the 3pm session only) as well as hear how we support the learning and development of our students through the curriculum we deliver.

Additionally, next Friday we would love to see you at our **Matariki blessing and potluck breakfast**. It starts at **6:30am**, meeting at the whare. We will be walking around the school blessing our buildings and trees and will end hikoi at the outdoor classroom to eat our breakfast. There will be hot chocolate, tea and coffee provided.



Finally, I am pleased to announce that Kura Rutherford has been appointed as our new librarian. Kura is currently the lead librarian at Taikura Rudolf Steiner School, Hawkes Bay and has vast experience as a library administrator and manager in the public sector. Kura has strong ties to Michael Park School,

SUPPORT STAFF WEEK

This week was Support Staff Week.

Huge thanks to our teacher aides, caretakers, librarians, office team and other non-teaching staff who are essential to running our school. We appreciate you!

Thank you!

CLASS 2 LUNCH BAR

WINTER WARMER



**Hot chocolate, soup
& other hearty delights**
Friday 17 June 2022





Michael Park School

Relate Create Inspire

OPEN DAY

Wednesday 15th June 2022

Talk & tour 9am - School Classes 1-12

Talk & tour 3pm - Kindergarten & School Classes 1-12

- Building imaginative and resourceful problem solvers; flexible learners, equipped for life.
- A broad, well-rounded, human-centred Steiner education from Kindergarten to senior High School.
- A rich curriculum of outdoor education, outdoor classroom, crafts, music, circus, environmental studies, drama and eurythmy combined with traditional and academic subjects.
- High rates of course endorsement for NCEA and a pass rate well ahead of the national average for New Zealand secondary schools.
- As an area school we are not zoned. Students can commence Steiner Education at any stage of their schooling.

Enrolling now for 2022

For further information, or to enquire about an expression of interest pack visit our website or contact our enrolments officer on 579 3083.

55 Amy Street, Ellerslie

www.michaelpark.school.nz

NAU MAI HĀERE MAI KI TE KURA O WAIATARUA MŌ MATARIKI

Come and join us for Matariki celebrations at Michael Park School

Friday 17 June - Matariki blessing and potluck breakfast
6.30am start in the whare

Thursday 23 June - Takurua Festival
5:30pm start
Food for sale from 4pm

*Ngā mihi nui ki ā Whaea Beverley Findlay mō ngā mahi toi o Matariki
A big thank you to Whaea Beverley Findlay for the Matariki artwork*

COMMUNITY NOTICES

- **Walk to school! For rent:** Sunny, quiet, 2 bedroom flat in Ellerslie. \$460 per week, available from end of June. Short walk to MPS, carport + 1 off street parking, plenty of outdoor space, garden shed, raised garden bed. Contact David 021 273 4801.
- **House and Dog Sitter Available?**
Would you consider house and dog sitting for us during the upcoming school holiday and for the following week and a half? We are so lucky to be able to go away for a few weeks, but we would love to leave our dog, Lucy, with someone in the home rather than kennels. The house is in Meadowbank, with lots of space; comfortable but not flashy! Lucy is friendly and fairly easy to look after. She has 2 walks a day and enjoys spending the evening on the sofa with the humans or curled up in front of the fire. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please get in touch with Kate 021 151 1775.

Contact the editor, Dana Marcroft at
fridayflyer@michaelpark.school.nz

Guideline 150 characters maximum please.

Deadline Thursday lunchtime.

Accessories for pets, Less Stress Pot plant, Second hand goods, Slime, Orby shop, bath bombs, Soaps, Stress balls, waffles + Icecream, Crochet, Raffle for a diorama scene, ADDs petting zoo, Magic Tricks

Class 3

Market

Thursday 16 June

Lunchtime

Outside class 3

DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

RANGITOTO EXPEDITION

Following a year and half of Covid and stoat infestation delays, the DofE group finally undertook their journey around Rangitoto and Motutapu islands over Queen's Birthday weekend. We ended up with two Bronze groups (C8) and a Silver group (C9-10), both undertaking practice expeditions. As is typical of Auckland, we experienced a wide range of weather conditions, often in the space of 5 minutes.

Saturday saw two groups climbing Rangitoto in perfect sunshine, other than a little black cloud on the summit that rained on our lunch stop. The groups then made their way to Home Bay campground, carrying full packs with camping gear and food. The weather even prompted the braver to swim (briefly), with Seb C making the boldest splash. A quiet night followed, then two super-organised Bronze groups, who were both ready before the scheduled start time (a DofE record?), set off around Motutapu.



Whilst the Bronze students completed the route back to the ferry and warm beds, the Silvers

continued for a fun day of navigating to imaginary grid references through long grass in the strong wind and driving rain. After a trudge back down the track to the tents, the rain finally eased enough to cook dinner. The shadow party were asleep by 7pm, whilst the students partied until the giddy hour of 11pm. That took its toll in the morning, with a slow start and a steep climb out of the campsite, but they made good time and managed to explore the lava caves in the returning sunshine and make it to the ferry with a few minutes to spare.

Judging by the smiles and singing, a great time was had by all – even Aurelia who suffered from some serious blisters whilst



keeping a brave face on things! All the students reinforced their training and will now be ready for their Qualifying journeys. Many thanks to the parents who came in support!

Thanks,
David Le Pelley

THE GIFT OF HOPE CHARITY TEAM

Update on Swaita

Thank you again MPS community for supporting the Royal Variety Performance. We raised \$1724.80 for Swaita, and we're so delighted that we've been able to cover her annual school fees again this year.



Join the World Vision 40 Hour Famine 1-3 July

Classes 4 -12 had assemblies where Charlotte from World Vision visited to speak about the 40 Hour Challenge this year.

Today, 800 children died because they didn't have clean water. And another 800 children are at risk of dying. Every. Single. Day. Right now, we have everything it takes to bring life-saving water to children in the world's toughest places, and give their communities the tools to keep clean water flowing for years to come. It starts with you helping one child, one family, one village, one community. Why just talk about change when we can lead it now?

We met Prisca: a 9-year-old girl from Malawi who is constantly sick from dirty water. You can view her story here:

<https://youtu.be/Qfyp3wxGbzU>

Just \$6 buys a 1-month water purifying kit for a child.

We can't wait another day. 40 Hours. Choose your challenge. Let's go!

We have an online page that you can link with my.worldvision.org.nz/ss/iSDLIH/michael-park-school or we have traditional sponsor books in the office. The traditional idea of giving up something is also extended to other challenges. You can try 40 hours, 40 litres or walk 40km.

Your imagination is the only limit! Whatever idea you have to challenge yourself, go for it!

Thank you for your support in making a change.

The Gift of Hope
Charity Team

For more information contact
cathyd@michaelpark.school.nz



Class 8 Presents...

BEYOND INK

Our Class 8 students are beginning to flex their theatrical muscles as they prepare to step into their first immersion process next week. So watch this space and please pencil in **July 7th and 8th (7pm)** on your calendar to join us in the Auditorium for some end of term spirit and celebration!

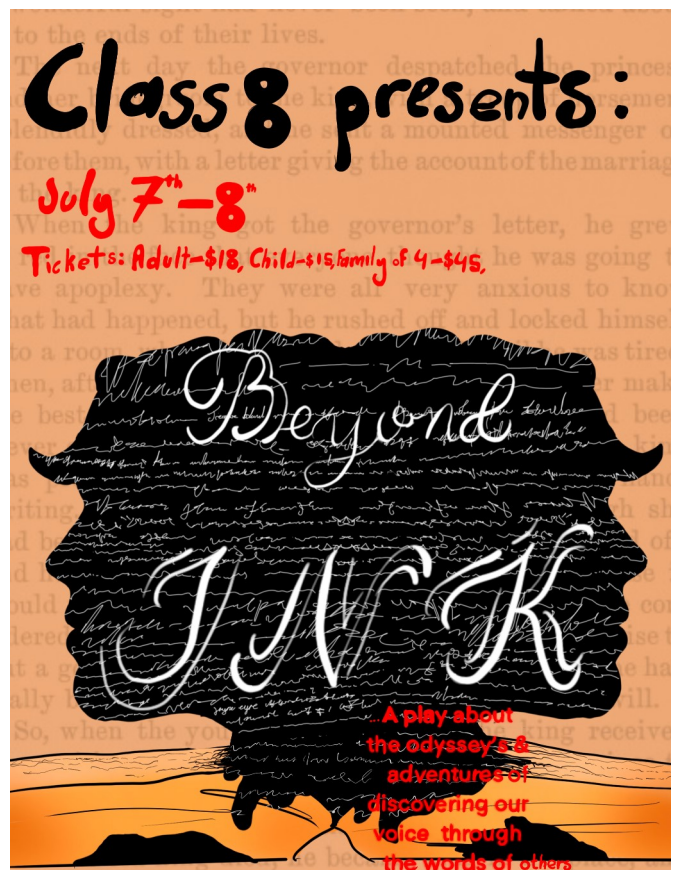
BEYOND INK in both process and story, is about finding your voice through the words of others and growing through adversity and challenge. This production explores the power of story, imagination, odyssey and adventure. The search for treasure both inner and outer!

Two famous stories, comedic and dramatic in which two protagonists, hero and heroine, face challenges and adventure, with a glint in their eye and a spark in their spirit!. **BEYOND INK** celebrates the power of literature to uplift the spirit and inspire the imagination.

This Class 8 is small in size, but big in heart and I urge you come out in force to support this class 8 and witness their already significant growth. This is a real threshold moment for them, and I encourage you to come and witness them shoot for the stars and mine their treasure.

Tickets for **BEYOND INK** will go on sale on the [iticket website](#) from Tuesday June 14th. I encourage you to get your tickets early as there will only be a handful of door sales for this production. Thank you for your ongoing support and for putting Class 8 in your calendar ☺ See you at the show!

Patrice Wilson



Jett (Class 7) and Clementine (Class 4) are environmental superstars, both winning prizes in the Moth Plant Pod Competition!

Jett came first in the intermediate category with 1437 moth plant pods collected. Clementine came third in the primary school category with 407 moth plant pods collected.

Jett and Clementine headed out each weekend to collect them and even removed two plants and their pods from within our school. Both children also received a spot prize for The Best Photo showcasing their collection.

The competition is run by EnviroSchools and Ngati Whatua Orakei and the local community board. It is open to students at kindergarten, primary, intermediate and high school. This year over 14,000 pods were collected!



4 Hour Famine
World Vision
1-3 JULY 2022



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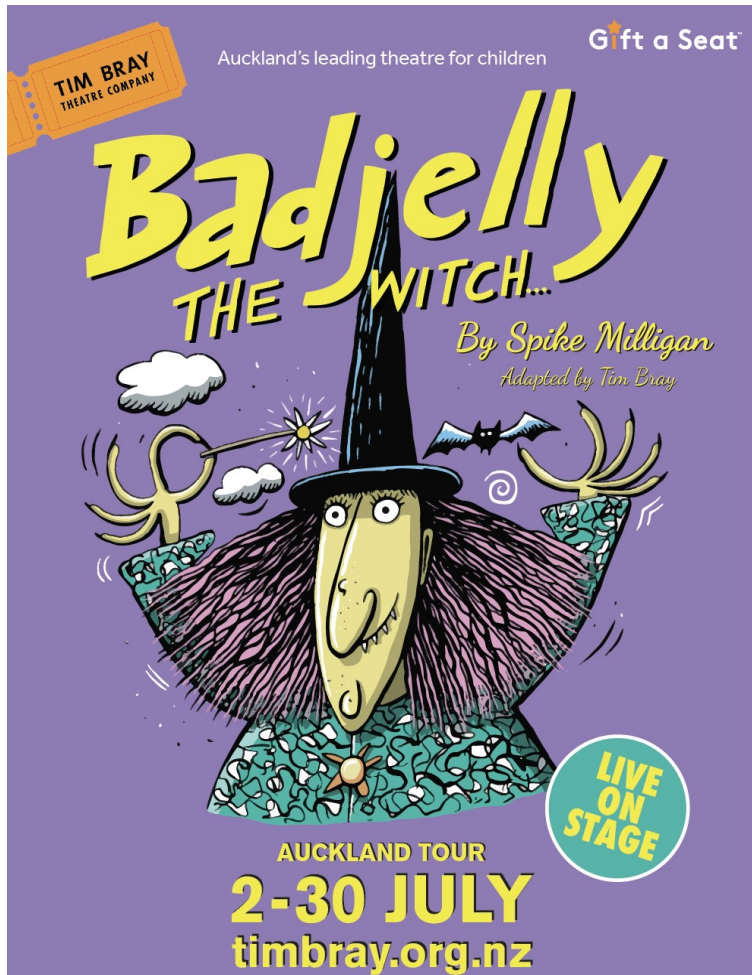
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By Spike Milligan
Adapted by Tim Bray



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AUCKLAND TOUR
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SURVEY**

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Maina



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Tauhou



Starling
Tāringi



House sparrow
Tiu



Dunno



Piwakawaka
Fantail

NZ GARDEN BIRDS

