## **FRIDAY FLYER**

8 July 2022 Issue 21

## **COMING EVENTS**

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Friday 8 July Last day of Term 2

Friday 8 July Class 3 Lunch Bar

Friday 8 July Class 8 Performance

'Beyond Ink' 7pm

Monday 25 July First day of Term 3

Friday 29 July PJ Day

Wednesday 3 August Open Day, 9am & 3pm

**LAST DAY OF TERM 2 TODAY** 

School finishes at 2.15pm

FIRST DAY OF TERM 3

Monday 25 July

Class 8 Play 2022

## BEYOND INK

FINAL PERFORMANCE TONIGHT!

www.iticket.co.nz/events/2022/jul/

beyond-ink#/buy-tickets

DOOR SALES ALSO AVAILABLE

Kia ora whānau,

This is the last flyer for the term, and I would like to thank you for your hard work and support during the last 10 weeks.



We managed to stay open, despite experiencing dire staffing levels and waves of COVID and winter illnesses that affected our tamariki.

Our teachers focused on reengaging students and supporting wellbeing as well as supporting colleagues to just pick up from whatever place students are up to. We were able to have school trips, assemblies, sports and community events - the way we celebrated our Matariki festival, Takurua festivals and the Class 3 and Class 8 plays with students and whānau was truly inspirational.

And so, I thank you again for your adaptability and resilience. Please take some time to rest these school holidays.

Enjoy the break. Ngā mihi nui, Desmond Pemerika Tumuaki







## THE GIFT OF HOPE CHARITY TEAM



#### **40 Hour Famine Update**

Thank you so much for the support with 'turning ORANGE' and the Sausage Sizzle for Saving Lives last Friday.

It was a fabulous day, run by the amazing Gift of Hope team. We have heard from

lots of students that they have stepped up and taken on challenges last weekend. Thank you so much. You can still support them if you wish by donating to:

my.worldvision.org.nz/ss/iSDLIH/michael-park-school

We have already raised \$3000 - woohoo, great effort MPS!

#### Sustain a Ball

Our amazing Class 11 team, with direction from Mrs Hooker, set up and ran our Sustain a Ball this year. They did a fabulous job raising money and awareness for World Vision Anti-Slavery campaign!

Still need a dress or a suit for the ball? We still have stock and would love to help you get to the ball while keeping the cost down and helping our planet at the same time. See Mrs Hooker for times to view our stock.



#### PJ DAY IS COMING!

Get your PJs ready for **Friday 29**<sup>th</sup> **July**. \$2 donation, and fabulous 'Midnight Feast' morning tea with yummy food and hot chocolate for sale.

This year we are supporting our <u>Heart Kids</u>. We have a very precious student at MPS who has been supported by this amazing organisation.



Through their partner <a href="Embracing Hearts">Embracing Hearts</a>, they have gifted our school an AED which is an incredible donation and an asset for the whole community to have this life-saving device on our school grounds.

## GO MOXIE!

Our senior netball team - aka MOXIE - played their final game yesterday. What a tough season this year. Our small team has been battered by illness, covid and injuries which was difficult as games had to be defaulted, but they never lost their dedication to training and supporting each other.

Our team was formed way back in Class 5 and they have added members but carried on playing every year. The Moxies are led by the amazing Tabitha Yearbury, who coached and managed the team. Many of our players are also committed to basketball teams.

Congratulations Moxies, you have showed dedication, commitment and true sportsmanship on the court. Our last game had to involve tutus and a unicorn, bringing joy to all on the courts! Thanks to parents for support with transport and cheering on the sidelines. GO MOXIE!

Your unicorn supporter, Cathy



## **COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD**

- For Rent 3 brm 1 bath carport, this charming 1930's home in the heart of Ellerslie is available now. \$670 per week. View Saturday 9th July 1pm 3pm. Contact Andrew 022 358 4593.
- The Class 3 t-ball team is moving on to softball! Any junior size softball gear is appreciated. We are happy to koha or borrow until we have sorted our own gear. Please text Renee on 021 645 202 if you can help.
- Excellent quality piano for sale at a reduced price.
   Contact Amanda Lawrence for details:
   amandal@michaelpark.school.nz or ph. 021 0876 2442
- Wanted to rent Lower school teacher looking for a small self-contained unit or room in a shared flat. Ph 021 0846 7292

Contact the editor, Dana Marcroft at <a href="mailto:fridayflyer@michaelpark.school.nz">fridayflyer@michaelpark.school.nz</a> Guideline 150 characters maximum please. Deadline Thursday lunchtime.

## REPROPRESSON REPROPRIES

## **TE AO MĀORI**

## E ngā mana, E ngā reo, E ngā karangatanga maha o Te Kura o Waiatarua, Tēnā koutou katoa,

All authorities, all voices, the many affiliations of Michael Park School, Greetings,

I had an amazing and touching farewell in the Kindy and with staff today that was very humbling and heartfelt. It truly showed me how far we have come as a kura (school) with Te Ao Māori. My day started in Jacaranda reading the nine fishes of matariki and them sharing with me their Māori morning greeting that I translated for Stacey when I started here, but had never seen.

I then went to the Magnolia and Maple duplex singing

E Papa with the rākau made from the harakeke putiputi (flower). This is very fitting as the parts of the harakeke bush make up a whānau and every leaf has a part to play in that whānau. My Michael Park whānau (all of you) have all had a huge part to play in my life, with experiences I will never forget.



I then visited the Jacaranda and Kowhai duplex where the poroporoaki (farewell) continued and they sang *Aio ki te Aorangi* which was a mihi (greeting) turned into a hymn that was written by Dr Rose Pere from Rutahuna. Click here to hear it on folksong.org.nz. I taught this to Class 3 for the kapa haka festival a few years ago and taught Classes 2-4 *E Papa* over the years so appreciated the koha of waiata from the Kindergartens. I then came over to the staffroom where I was welcomed by tamariki and staff singing *Tutira mai* with Whaea Beverly, Oliver (Class 10) and Isla-Rose (Class 2) by my sides.

When my journey at MPS started in Term 4 2016, nearly 6 years ago, I didn't even know MPS was here, hidden in the heart of Ellerslie, before I applied for the job. A hidden wonderland on my back doorstep as I live in Maungarei (Mount Wellington). Des and Jade employed me part-time and it's lovely that Des started and ended my teaching journey here with me.

**I'VE BEEN REFLECTING** back on my time at MPS over the past month and what we have achieved with Te Ao Māori in the short time I have been here. Since I started full-time in Term 4 2018, which is only 3 years and 3 terms ago, we have.....

- created a kapa haka group that started with 6 tamariki, and grew to 60 tamariki from Lower/Middle School,
- · created a community Kapa haka group,
- developed kapa haka festivals that grew and got better every year,
- more Te Ao Māori woven into school festivals,
- annual Matariki blessing and potluck breakfast,
- Matariki week and Te Reo Māori week celebrations including the community,
- Matua Blackie, Maha Tomo and Paia Swanson sharing their Te Ao Māori knowledge with staff, students and the community,
- Whaea Paia teaching korowai and making a korowai for Jane's retirement,
- Whaea Beverly on board as our official school Kuia,
- weekly karakia and waiata in the Kindy,
- received two funding grants to get Maha Tomo in for carving workshops with community, staff and students,
- Te Ao Māori Roopu Rangatahi (Māori leadership group),
- Lower School integrating Te Ao Māori into class programmes and main lessons,
- Karen Affleck going on our school pepeha journey over covid, creating artwork and a book for our kura,
- more Te Reo Māori in morning circles,
- faculty Te Ao Māori hui at least once a term,
- formed Te Ohu Puawai (cultural responsiveness group),
- Whaea Beverly creating the manu artwork for each class, followed by our unveling of manu and whakatauki along with felted creations by Tiffany Clark,
- successful Kapa haka fundraising for new uniforms for group and classes,
- kapa haka audio digital file online for sale sung by our students and compiled by Amanda and Marco. Here is the link if anyone would like to purchase: <a href="https://michaelparkschoolstudentskapahaka.bandcamp.com/">https://michaelparkschoolstudentskapahaka.bandcamp.com/</a> album/te-kura-o-waiatarua-kapa-haka

When you look at it in a big list like this, we have achieved a lot - like a whirlwind of Tawhirimatea in short space of time. Ngā mihi nui - thanks heaps to everyone for supporting and rolling with my big ideas for Te Ao Māori in the school and taking them on board with enthusiasm and smiles.

I have loved learning about our Steiner philosophy and how much anthroposophy aligns with Te Ao Māori traditional customs. A little bit of my heart will always be here and I look forward to continuing my role as a parent in the school community.

Ngā mihi aroha ki a koutou katoa **ANDREA GORDINE** 





I will be running 2 workshops on the second week of the winter holidays:

**Monday 18 - Tuesday 19 July** - For children in classes 2-8. The activities under the tent will depend on the children's age and numbers. We will include basic fire making, food preparation and crafts.

**Wednesday 20 July** - Participants from classes 6-10. Building wooden catapults.

All workshops will run from 9:00am to 3:30pm. The workshops will have a private tuition of \$70 per child per day or \$130 for two days. All materials included.

Please email any expression of interest to <u>luisbernalt@gmail.com</u>.

See you there!



## A Celebration Day for Girls<sup>™</sup>

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Book in for a Celebration Day workshop with your daughter! \$155 per duo

Mothers Session: 7-9pm Thursday 4th August 2022

Girls Workshop Day: 10-4pm Saturday 6th August 2022 (mothers join from lunchtime)

**Location: Waiheke** 

Please contact our facilitator with any questions:
Amber Taylor 027 3888789
amberjanine@yahoo.com

www.celebrationdayforgirls.com

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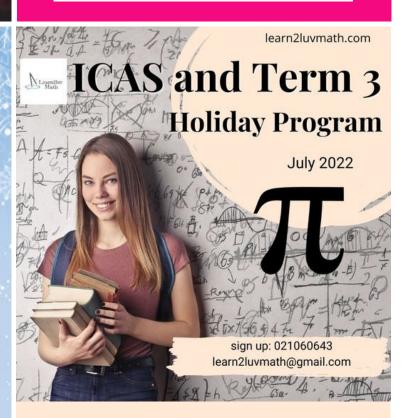
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## Class Three Sock Fundraiser

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support!



