



### COMING EVENTS

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<b>Monday 5 December</b>	<b>Class 9 Independent Project Presentations - 6pm</b>
<b>Tuesday 6 December</b>	<b>High School Prizegiving - 11am</b>
<b>Tuesday 6 December</b>	<b>Class 9 Independent Project Presentations 6pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 7 December</b>	<b>Class 12 Graduation - 11am</b>
<b>7-14 December</b>	<b>High School Craft Week</b>
<b>Friday 9 December</b>	<b>Snapdragon Christmas Market</b>
<b>Friday 9 December</b>	<b>Community Advent &amp; Carols Celebration - 6pm</b>
<b>12-16 December</b>	<b>Class 7 Camp</b>
<b>Thursday 15 December</b>	<b>Last day for Classes 8 and 9 - 3pm finish</b>
<b>Friday 16 December</b>	<b>Last day for Lower School and Kindy - 12pm finish</b>

Tena koutou whānau,

We're almost at the end of what has been an eventful year. I have been impressed by the diligence, hard work and enthusiasm that our students, staff and whānau have displayed during these past 7 weeks. The Class 10 play week was nothing short of spectacular. Thank you, Class 10 and Patrice, for your commitment and dedication this term. Your creativity and talent were a privilege to watch, ngā mihi nui.



On Monday and Tuesday evening Class 9 will be presenting their Independent Projects that they have been working on this year. Presentations will start at 6pm, in the auditorium. You are warmly invited to attend. Also, our Level 2 and Level 3 NCEA visual art boards will be displayed in the eurythmy room for whānau and students to view from Tuesday morning and for the rest of the week. Please drop in and view our students' work when you come into school. Finally, we will be holding our high school prize giving on Tuesday morning and our Class 12 graduation on Wednesday. Pictures will be taken of both ceremonies. These will be in our Friday Flyer year next week, with a full list of all of our prize winners and Class 12 graduates.

Heoi ano taku mo naiane,

Naku noa,  
Desmond Pemerika  
Tumuaki | Principal

### CLASS 1 -12 KAITIAKI FOR 2023

Class 1	Roanne Patecki & Janette Feenstra
Class 2	Lucy Espeche
Class 3	Jill Dixon
Class 4	Sophie Hudson
Class 5	Briar Gibson
Class 6	Marco Liguori
Class 7	Cameron Ashby
Class 8	Ciaran Overton & Patrice Wilson
Class 9	Aurelia Zatta
Class 10	Mike Meyer & Alan Kim
Class 11	Iva Barretto
Class 12	Aliona Valyashko & Edgar Mitchell

### COMMUNITY ADVENT AND CAROLS CELEBRATION

**Friday, 9 December - 6:30pm**

The Lower School Teachers invite the community to attend a renewed celebration of Advent.

In the past students performed in an Advent Play during the school day and then the community were invited to join us in singing Christmas carols in the evening.

This year, the Lower School teachers would like to gift the students, and the entire community, with their presentation of an adapted version of "The Shepherds' Play". In this adapted performance the whole community will play a part by joining in and singing some well-known Christmas carols.

If you haven't begun singing or humming along to these Christmas tunes, perhaps you'd like to start on these:

Oh Little Town of Bethlehem; Away in a Manger; The First Noël; Little Drummer Boy; Silent Night; Joy to the World and Ding Dong Merrily on High.

We would love for you to join us on Friday, 9 December at 6:00pm for a prompt 6:30 start.

Blessings to one and all

Arlene





## Red Trolley Book Drive

Our library book collection team (Winston, Kura and Fleur) have been busy visiting classrooms to pick up all the library books that are due back for stocktake.

Keep an eye out for the red trolley, and please remind students that books are now needing to be returned.



## Two Day Deepening Course

20 and 21 January 2023

### 'Healing ways to work with the 12 senses'

Titirangi Rudolf Steiner School, 5 Helios Place, Titirangi

\$50 for the entire two days, incl. morning and afternoon tea, BYO lunch or head to Titirangi Village's many cafes.

We have managed to bring to NZ someone who we have wanted to invite for a long time. **Barbara Baldwin** will join us to give morning lectures on 'Doorway to the world: Understanding the twelve senses'

The afternoons will be spent in the outdoors with a choice of experts in their field. You may choose a different workshop for each day, but you will be in that workshop for the whole afternoon. **Outdoor/bush/ngahere kindergarten** is something so needed for today's children and we hope we can give you an opportunity to extend your own skills in this area.

A timetable and registration form will be sent to you by [edith.vandermeer@gmail.com](mailto:edith.vandermeer@gmail.com)

#### **Barbara Baldwin**

B.Sc. Speech Pathology (Germany); Dip. Special Education (UK/Germany); Dip Chirophonetic Therapy (Austria)

Barbara is committed to raising awareness in the area of social inclusion in all ages and stages of life.

As a speech pathologist and special/social educator Barbara has experience in many areas of education, having worked as a teacher/educator, therapist and consultant the area of special education and inclusion in Waldorf schools in many countries as well as in mainstream public and private education. Through lectures, workshops and seminars she has contributed to a Steiner oriented understanding of special needs throughout life, from early childhood, to integration and inclusion in schools, to transition to work, vocational training and independent living.

Among her special interests are working with the 12 senses, nurturing an understanding of constitutional polarities and appreciating the idiosyncrasies of exceptional children. Her innovative and refreshingly modern approach is accessible and practical.

## TE AO MĀORI

Earlier in the year we mentioned that the 2022 Auckland Writers Festival had some inspiring presentations and discussions that centred around te ao Māori. A number of these are now up as videos and podcasts on the Auckland Writers Festival page: [www.writersfestival.co.nz](http://www.writersfestival.co.nz), and there is also some great content from last year's festival. Tau ke!

### Kiwhaha o te Wiki

#### Haere tū atu, hoki tū mai

An idiom to farewell visitors and wishing a safe journey and to return in good health.

**Piri:** Kia ora e Marama, where are you headed?

**Marama:** Kia ora e Piri. I'm going up the coast for the weekend to visit my whānau.

**Piri:** Haere tū atu, hoki tū mai e hoa!

## 35MM SLR CAMERAS NEEDED

Hello dear parents, High School Craft Week is after two 35mm SLR cameras for our film photography workshop happening next week. If you have one that we can borrow between 6 December and 14 December we would appreciate it. Please let me know by emailing me at [luisb@michaelpark.school.nz](mailto:luisb@michaelpark.school.nz). Thanks - Luis Bernal

## COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

- Naru Furumi from Kyotanabe Steiner School (Kyoto) year 11 is looking for **short term homestay accommodation**. He will come to Auckland to learn English and needs accommodation from 16-21 January 2023. He will go to the English language school at Downtown. Naru is interested in acting in plays so he wants to learn English. Please contact [tatsuya.otomo@icloud.com](mailto:tatsuya.otomo@icloud.com)
- **Studio-like room for rent for 2 people**, in case you need accommodation for your visiting family. Access to fully equipped kitchen & private bathroom, veggie garden. Available from December 14-January 19. Ellerslie. \$ 380 per week!! Forget Airbnb!! [normaahp@gmail.com](mailto:normaahp@gmail.com)

Contact the editor, Dana Marcroft at [fridayflyer@michaelpark.school.nz](mailto:fridayflyer@michaelpark.school.nz)  
Guideline 150 characters maximum please. Deadline Thursday lunchtime.

Graphic advertisements to be formatted to fit A6 portrait (¼ page).  
Whole page ads are not accepted for non school-related activities. Ads may be published a maximum of twice per term, at the editor's discretion.





# Christmas Kindness

Christmas Kindness returns again this year. The elves have been in, decorating the office ready for Advent.

We are collecting festive food and gifts for the Salvation Army again this year. Over the next few months we will see thousands of Kiwis in desperate need. Increased costs of living are further stretching families who already have so little, meaning they don't have the luxury of participating in festivities like gift-giving and shared meals this year.

*Can you help with providing items that we can gift them?*

Think festive treats and gifts for 12 -14 year olds (deodorant, nail polish, hair accessories, colouring books, etc.). These should be unwrapped. This is the age group that often gets overlooked and they really struggle with gifts for them.

There will be a box in the office from today and also at the Community Advent & Carols Celebration on 9th December in the Auditorium - a lovely way to finish the year.

In our home we started the white envelopes that sit in the tree. On Christmas morning there is a chosen charity for each family member and a donation given in their name.

Please think about some of the charities we support through the year at MPS and consider a white envelope to them.

*(I love giving my husband a goat! - Cathy)*

[www.salvationarmy.org.nz/christmas-appeal-2022/about-appeal](http://www.salvationarmy.org.nz/christmas-appeal-2022/about-appeal)

[www.worldvision.org.nz/give-now/smiles-gift/#/](http://www.worldvision.org.nz/give-now/smiles-gift/#/)

[www.cancer.org.nz/get-involved/other-ways-of-supporting/](http://www.cancer.org.nz/get-involved/other-ways-of-supporting/)

[www.heartkids.org.nz/give-now/](http://www.heartkids.org.nz/give-now/)

[rasnz.co.nz/get-involved/donate/](http://rasnz.co.nz/get-involved/donate/)

Or donate to our own sponsor student, Swaita. You can do this via the school bank account 02-0256-0235647-000 using her name as the reference.

Thank you MPS whānau - with your help there is hope and joy at Christmas.

The Gift of Hope team



## DONATE A BOOK FOR CHRISTMAS!

**Kia ora Michael Park School friends and family,**

Once again we are collecting donations of **brand new Kiwi books** to gift to families in Auckland who can't afford to buy Christmas presents for their kids.

Please consider buying an extra book or two next time you are shopping or ordering books online and add it to our **school donation box situated in the school office.**

**We will also have a donation box at the Community Advent & Carols evening on 9th December.**

Picture books, chapter books, middle grade, young adult, fiction or non-fiction - we'd love them all!

All books will be distributed to families in need through the Auckland City Mission, The Monte Cecilia Housing Trust, The Middlemore Foundation and The Aunties.

### GIFT CARDS

This year you can also purchase gift cards through the website and donate a book on behalf of someone else. They make ideal presents for staff/colleagues/friends/family- please do check them out!

<https://shop.kiwichristmasbooks.org.nz>

**Donations close on Monday, December 12th.**

You can read more about us here:

[www.kiwichristmasbooks.org.nz](http://www.kiwichristmasbooks.org.nz)

Thank you for your support!



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# RUDOLF STEINER SCHOOLS TRUST SCHOOL

## 2023 - Reviewed Yearly

### Class 1 - 12

#### **School Attendance Dues - Compulsory**

\$1,437.50 per year per student (GST inclusive)

\$1,078.10 per year per student (GST inclusive) for 4<sup>th</sup> child in a family and for 5<sup>th</sup> and subsequent children there are no Attendance Dues charged.

Attendance Dues are used to cover insurance, debt servicing, improvements to integrated school buildings and associated facilities required by our integration agreement, as well as project support.

#### **School Special Character Donation – Tax Deductible**

\$2,623.00 per year per family

If you have children in both the kindergarten and school, then the Special Character donation only applies to children in the kindergarten.

Invoiced at beginning of the year or upon starting if through the year, payable by instalments or in full. These are paid to the Rudolf Steiner Schools Trust.

# MICHAEL PARK SCHOOL SCHOOL

## 2023 - Reviewed Yearly

#### **BOT Donation – Tax Deductible**

Classes 1 – 7:	\$ 683.00 per student
Classes 8 – 10:	\$ 940.00 per student
Classes 11 - 12:	\$1,090.00 per student

This includes:

- ✦ All Curriculum based materials
- ✦ Start-up stationery in the primary school Class 1 - 4
- ✦ Artefacts (handwork, art etc. that is taken home)
- ✦ Photocopying (worksheets) etc.
- ✦ Covers, use of school instruments, and repairs
- ✦ Items for curriculum enhancement as defined by the Ministry of Education such as:
  - PE & games equipment
  - Art & Craft materials and equipment
  - Science materials and equipment
  - Costumes for plays

### Additional Costs per student

For items such as:

- ✦ Classes 5-12 Stationery requirements (Students MUST purchase their own stationery),
  - ✦ Lower School (Class 1-4) Extra stationery requirements not provided at start of year,
  - ✦ Main Lesson Books Classes 4-7,
  - ✦ Personal materials and tools e.g. (Independent project material),
  - ✦ Student purchases for individual projects not covered above,
  - ✦ Camp costs for Classes 4 to 12,
  - ✦ NZQA and ISSC Fees,
  - ✦ PE Uniforms if required,
- Swimming lessons and transport.

All invoiced at beginning of the year and payable on the 20th of the month following.  
These are paid to the Michael Park School BOT.

## RUDOLF STEINER SCHOOLS TRUST KINDERGARTEN

### 2023 - Reviewed Yearly

The Special Character Donation request is to cover services that are not currently provided by the Ministry of Education:

Staffing above minimum requirements	Eurythmy therapy
Steiner Festivals (Spiral, Spring, Lantern festivals)	6-year-old Assessment prior to moving to Class 1
Steiner professional development for staff	Substantial cooked morning tea
Steiner educational expenses	Parent education
Anthroposophical first aid supplies	Communication - Spiral
Steiner appointed buildings	Steiner appointed grounds and play equipment

### Kindergarten Special Character Donation:

\$4,986.00 per child per year

Please contact the RSST Finance administrator Haidee Thompson for further queries either via phone (09 525 8994) or email [haideet@michaelpark.school.nz](mailto:haideet@michaelpark.school.nz)

**Please note that any Donations noted above are tax deductible.**



# SNAPDRAGON Christmas Market

Friday 9th December  
8.30am - 2.30pm

Celebrate Advent and  
browse our range of  
gifts at our beautiful  
school shop

With hand-made crafts,  
Christmas decorations  
and Cara Telle's delicious  
chocolate creations

## CHRISTMAS TABLEAU

*"Shall I tell you who will come  
To Bethlehem on Christmas morn.  
Who will kneel them gently down  
Before the Lord newborn?"*

The Christmas story narrated and played for  
you, while we all join in with singing Christmas  
carols.

Time:

Christmas Eve Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December 5PM

Place:

The Christian Community  
10 Rawhiti Rd, One Tree Hill 1061  
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Involve me, I'll understand.**

#### You will develop:

- an understanding of the health benefits of learning out of doors
- collaborative and cooperative learning strategies
- strategies which integrate outdoor learning with indoor learning
- links with the environment as an agent in learning and teaching
- an understanding of the learning journey using traditional crafts
- deep cultural sensitivity and appropriateness
- reflective practice
- an understanding of whole-person intelligence, and how the literacies of making and growing support full development
- health and safety and risk benefit analysis practices
- camp fire cooking skills

#### 2023 OCEL Workshop Dates

##### Introductory workshop:

Saturday, 4 March (day)

##### Hands-on Immersion Camp (onsite camping optional):

Wednesday, 12 April - Saturday, 15 April

Monday, 2 October - Thursday, 5 October

There will be two Zoom sessions in the first half, and two Zoom sessions in the second half of the year. (Dates to be advised.)

Cost: \$900 per head

Registrations close 20 February 2023

Separate optional supplementary workshops will be held throughout the year.

To enrol, or to request further information

email: [lawry.john@gmail.com](mailto:lawry.john@gmail.com)  
Phone: 021 125 7817





## PLUNKET ONLINE BABYSITTING COURSE



Let's babysit safely this summer!

This course *with updated material*, is designed to give teens from age 14, the knowledge and skills to babysit children of all ages. It's written for first time babysitters, so you don't need to have previous experience to enrol.

The course uses fun and informative videos, quizzes and activities divided into nine modules. The course takes around 2-3 hours to complete over three weeks.

### You will learn about:

- the role of the babysitter, including the expectations of the families they are working for
- child safety, including emergency situations, and basic first aid
- ages and stages of children from birth to school age, their basic needs and their care
- professional behaviour including presentation
- how to engage with children of different ages, including activities for each age group and behavioural information
- how to get a babysitting job.

Cost \$50 per student.

Click for more info or to sign your teenager up:

[plunket.org.nz](http://plunket.org.nz)

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