



COMING EVENTS

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Tuesday 14 February	ID Photos taken for Class 7-12
Tuesday 14 February	Class 9, 11, 12 Parent Meetings
Wednesday 15 February	Open Day 9.30am & 3.30pm
Wednesday 15 February	Class 1 Parent Meeting
Thursday 16 February	Class 2, 3 Parent Meetings
Friday 17 February	Class 12 Sausage Sizzle
Tuesday 21 February	Class 6, 8, 10 Parent Meetings
Wednesday 22 February	Kindy New Families Induction Evening, 7.30pm

Kia ora whānau,

Nau mai, hoki mai ki to mātau
ngangatanga angitu tuawha ki te timata i
te tau kura.

Welcome back to school everyone - 4th
time lucky.

It has been a wonderful start to the year having our students
back this week. A huge welcome to new whānau and students
who started at our school for the first time and, in particular, a
very special welcome to our Class 1 tamariki and whānau who
also started their

journey with us last
Friday. We are very
fortunate to have you
all in our kura and we
are looking forward
to meeting you in a
more social capacity
sometime soon.

The weather bomb a couple of weeks ago caused extensive
external flooding around our school grounds. Fortunately, we
had minimal damage inside our buildings and classrooms. I
acknowledge that this was not the case for a number of our
whānau and staff who were affected by the severe weather. It
is my sincere wish that you and your whānau are well during
this time and if there is anything that we can do to support you,
please let us know. A huge thank you to our whānau who came
out to help with clean up and provided support when needed at
the time.



*At this stage Ministry of Education advice is that individual
Auckland schools are to review the situation with cyclone
Gabrielle as it develops over this coming weekend and then
make a decision on whether the school is able to open on
Monday.*

*We will be making a decision based on official information
available at the time, as well as the state of our school and
kindergarten site, late on Sunday and communicating with
you on Sunday evening.*

We have new colleagues joining us this year. In the
kindergarten we have Chilali Laban and Angela Stephenson. In
the Lower School we have Saskia Jamieson (Teacher Aide) and
in the High School we have Emma Robertson (Art Teacher).

Mark Lenaarts, who is a parent at our school, spoke on behalf
of all the new whānau and staff at our pōwhiri last Friday.
Mark's heartfelt and truthful words reminded me about the
following whakatauki:

Nāu te rourou, nāku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi

With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive

This whakatauki refers to collaboration and a strengths-based
approach that we carry out together as a community. It
acknowledges that we all have something to offer, we are a
piece of the puzzle, and by working together we can all flourish.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Nga mihi māhana,
Desmond Pemerika
Tumuaki | Principal



New Bell Times for 2023

	Class 1-7	Class 8-12
First bell 8:30	Main Lesson	Hui ako
8:40		Period 1
9:35		Period 2
10:30	Interval	
10:50	Period 3	Main Lesson
11:35	Period 4	
12:20	Lunch	
1:10	Period 5	
2:05	Period 6	
3:00	Finish	

**** On Fridays school finishes at 2:05pm for Class 1-7**

HAVE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS CHANGED?

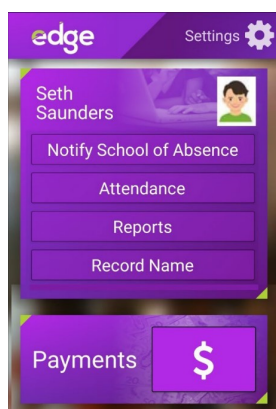
If you have changed your postal address, email address or phone number, please email Brenda with your changes:

reception@michaelpark.school.nz

PARENT PORTAL AND COMMUNICATION APP TO DOWNLOAD

Our school is now set up for using 'The Edge' (Musac Edge) to communicate notifications, as well as being able to receive messages from whānau about absences or if a child is running late, or if a child has an external Doctor or Dentist appointment and will need to leave school early.

The Edge app will also enable whānau to interact with your child's schooling. You'll be able to view that they have been marked present in class, access past and present school reports, view your Michael Park School account and contact details, view student timetables and view NCEA grades for Classes 11 and 12. Further capabilities may be rolled out next year.



We would like all whānau to download the **Musac Edge** app onto your phone and save the **Musac Edge** web link on your computer now that we have gone live. We will be **discontinuing SchoolLinks** for school messaging later this term, and using **The Edge** exclusively. ***The Kindergarten will continue to use SchoolLinks.*



Google Play https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=io.musac.edge&hl=en_NZ&gl=US

App Store <https://apps.apple.com/nz/app/musac-edge/id1174126289>

Web Portal https://parent.edgelearning.co.nz/Loginpage_caregiver.aspx?returnurl=%2fcfg%2fdashboard%2fmydashboard

As with any new project, there may be some teething issues or gremlins pop in the case of the IT. For those issues and general inquiries, please contact andrewj@michaelpark.school.nz

Andrew Johnstone
Deputy Principal

GOT YOUR HAT?

Remember, sunhats are required during terms 1 & 4 for break, lunch and outdoor lessons.



FINANCE INFORMATION 2023

Welcome to 2023 from the Finance Team

Haidee Thompson (RSST/Kindergarten Accounts)

haideet@michaelpark.school.nz

Raewyn Farley (BOT Accounts)

raewynw@michaelpark.school.nz

The 2023 RSST statements will be posted out to you next week and the BOT statements will be emailed next week.

Your financial contribution is important as it is used directly to support:

- the unique, beneficial programmes that are only offered within a Steiner school
- quality education for all our students
- a well-resourced Special Character environment for students

Have a fantastic 2023!

Erin Wilson, Business Manager

EOTC BLANKET CONSENT FORM

Dear Parents/Whānau

At the beginning of the school year we need to update our EOTC (Education outside of the Classroom) forms. We are sending home a Blanket Consent Form with your son/daughter and we would appreciate you completing the form and sending it back to your class teacher / kaitiaki by early next week.

The form is also attached at the end of this Friday Flyer.

Many thanks for your support of our EOTC programme.

STUDENT ID PHOTOS CLASSES 7-12

Classes 7 to 12 will have their **ID photos** taken on **Tuesday 14th February** in the morning. Please ensure that students arrive to school on time, wearing the correct dress code, as photography will start first thing in the morning.

If your child is away on the day they can come to the office for a photo to be taken on their return to school.

School ID cards are used for photocopying and printing at school and also as ID for public transport discounts. The ID photo charge of \$10 will be added to your account.

HOUSEKEEPING/SAFETY MATTERS

SIGNING IN AND OUT PROCEDURE

If your child is late to school, please make sure they sign in using the tablet at the office. If you are taking your child off school grounds during school hours they must be signed out by a parent using the tablet at the office.

VISITORS - EMERGENCY PROCEDURE

Every year at Michael Park School we are required to run various drills for our emergency procedures. When running fire drills or lockdown drills it is essential that we know who is on site so that they can be accounted for.

To this end it is a Health & Safety requirement for all **visitors, parents and itinerant teachers to sign the tablet in reception** when they come into school and sign out when they leave.

ABSENTEES AND MESSAGES BY EMAIL

If you are reporting an absence or needing to get a message to a teacher or a student, please email reception@michaelpark.school.nz or phone the absentee line 579 3083. Please do not send to admin@ or our personal emails as these might not be seen in time. The reception email is checked regularly in the mornings by Brenda or whoever is covering reception.

You can now use 'The Edge' (Musac Edge) for reporting an absence. See details on previous page.

DROP OFF/PICK UP

When dropping children off in the morning please drive as far around to the auditorium doors as possible. This lessens the chance of waiting cars being backed up outside the gates and creating a safety hazard. Please drive in and out slowly to help keep our tamariki safe.

Please do not park in the Bus Parking Area. If you park in that space then the buses are unable to make the turn and block the traffic behind them. Also, it allows a parking space for emergency vehicles that may be needed.

A reminder also that, for safety reasons, we ask that parents and students do not cross at the top by the busy main entrance gate. Please walk down to the crossing at the Auditorium and use the footpaths rather than walking on the driveway. We have had several 'near misses' reported to us.

CAR PARKING

The staff car park is strictly for staff and those holding a disability card only. We have staff on varied schedules coming and going throughout the day, and we do not have sufficient parking spaces to cater for them as it is (as we have 40 spaces, but 75 staff members!)

When other people use the carpark, even just for a few minutes, staff may be forced to look for street parking and risk being late for classes or meetings. Please be respectful of our car park constraints.

2.05PM FINISH FOR CLASSES 1-7 ON FRIDAYS

School finishes at 2.05pm each Friday for classes 1-7. Please ensure your children are collected promptly as we are unable to supervise children after 2.05pm.

CHILDREN AT SCHOOL AFTER HOURS

The school is responsible for all students on our grounds and we do not have the means to supervise students after hours.

We are also committed to honouring our undertakings to minimise noise to neighbours.

Please ensure you collect your child on time and that they are off site by 3.15 pm when duties finish.

OUR SCHOOL RULES AROUND PHONES

Cell phones and similar devices:

Guiding principle: No cell phones, or accessories (e.g., earbuds/headphones/speakers), are to be visible or audible on campus, anywhere, and at any time - including before school starts and after it ends.

No permission will be granted to students to use cell phones by staff. There is a phone in the office which students can access during the day by speaking to Brenda who will take messages to pass on to students, from parents, as needed.

If students do not abide by our school rules there are a series of measures in place (including confiscating the phone for the day). These are a last resort, as in our high trust school we expect students and their families to work with us and ensure there are no phones visible.

OUR SCHOOL RULES AROUND DRESS CODE

The Dress Code can be found here:

<https://michaelpark.school.nz/media/resources/procedures/Dress-Code-2022.pdf>

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

The school office hours are 8.00am to 3.00pm

Thank you for assisting us in our procedures.

HIGH SCHOOL PARENT MEETINGS

Dates have now been set for class parent meetings in the High School. If parents / caregivers would like to add something to the Class meeting agenda please feel free to contact the Kaitiaki as this would aid in a timely and organised meeting.

Class 12 Tuesday 14th February @ 6pm, in the Chemistry room. (Aliona and Edgar)

Class 11 Tuesday 14th February @ 6pm, in room 10 (Iva)

Class 10 Tuesday 21st February @ 6pm, in Room 11 (Mike and Alan)

Class 9 Tuesday 14th February @ 7pm, in the Art Room (Aurelia)

Class 8 Tuesday 21st February @ 6pm, in Room 9 (Ciaran and Patrice)

Play Chess!



- ✓ Improve concentration and focus
- ✓ Develop problem solving skills
- ✓ Develop strategic thinking
- ✓ Improve decision making
- ✓ Develop independent thought

0800 4-CHESS www.chesspower.co.nz

CHESS POWER COACHING PROGRAMME

For the last two years we have been unable to offer Chess Coaching to our students.

This year, we are hoping to re-instate the Chess Power Coaching Programme for our enthusiastic students from Class 2 to Class 7.

Each session starts with a formal lesson; all players learn a new strategy, idea or skill each week, then they put those skills into practice through activities and games. All games are monitored and supervised by the coach who provides individual feedback along the way.

Sessions will be held weekly on **Fridays from 1:20pm to 2:10pm, in the Library, starting Friday, 17 February 2023.** The last session for the term will be held on 31 March 2023.

Fees will be based on the number of students attending and could be as little as \$70 for the 7 week programme.

If you would like your child to participate in the programme, please email me to register (arlenec@michaelpark.school.nz) by **Tuesday, 14 February**. Please note this process is different from previous years, in order to streamline the registration process and avoid disappointment. Registration and fees will be confirmed prior to commencing sessions.

We look forward to having more students join our coaching sessions.

Arlene Cairns

MORNING TEA + LUNCH

17 FEB

NEXT
FRIDAY



HELP SUPPORT VICTIMS OF THE
EARTHQUAKES!



Class 12 Sausage Sizzle

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO EARTHQUAKE
RELIEF EFFORTS IN **TURKEY** AND **SYRIA**

Friday next week fundraiser for those in Turkey and Syria experiencing the terrible devastation of the earthquakes.

Gluten Free, Dairy Free and Vege options available!



CHAIRS FOR SALE

\$10 per chair

20+ available.

Contact

erinw@michaelpark.school.nz

LEARNING FRENCH AFTER SCHOOL

Keen on learning another language? Want to know how to pronounce le Pain au Chocolat? We're organising a French Class after school on Thursday afternoons, starting this term on school grounds, at Beginner level. Shout out if you're interested, as we're just finalising participants.

Your child needs to be able to read and write proficiently (the lessons are ideally suited to Classes 4-8).

For all the details, please contact
catrina.kuehler@gmail.com

A bientot!





If a card is lost and a reissue required, the cost is \$10 which is payable to the office before replacements are ordered.



**Mr Farley and Mr Pemerika
doing clean up early on
Saturday morning - legends!**



TE AO MĀORI

Ngā mihi o te tau hou ki te kura! A warm welcome back to all and we hope that in your holidays there has been some time of rest and rejuvenation despite the many challenges that Tāmaki Makaurau has faced in the last weeks.

As we start our new year back at school, it is timely our new term coincides with a day where as a motu we acknowledge Te Titiri o Waitangi. For many this is a time of reflection and for setting goals about how Te Tiriti o Waitangi can be honoured within daily life and in our mahi. This is the case here in the Te Ao Māori space too.

In 2023, we hope to continue to find ways to celebrate elements of Te Ao Māori within our kura and the wider community, through highlighting taonga from around our school, sharing te reo Māori words, idioms and phrases to try at home, promoting events and resources, and this year, also documenting the process of growing kumara in our māra kai.

Again this year, Te Ao Māori content will be developed by our school librarian, Kura Rutherford, with support from Troy Gardiner at Taikura Rudolf Steiner School in Heretaunga. As the first Te Ao Māori for 2023, we are asking you, our school community, what you would like to see more of in this space. If you have any ideas please email

kurar@michaelpark.school.nz

Did you miss the Waitangi Day celebrations, the highlights are captured here: <https://www.maoritelevision.com/shows/waitangi-2023/S01E001/waitangi-2023>

Kiwhaha o te Wiki

Kua taka te tapa - the penny has dropped, I should have realised, or I get the picture now.

Timoti: *Kia ora e hoa, sorry I didn't tell you about the present I bought for Hemi. I was trying to keep it a surprise.*

Moana: *Kua taka te tapa!*

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

- **Seeking house for rent** - New MPS family with student in Class 9, looking for somewhere to rent nearby. Ideally a two bedroom place, or small 3 bedroom, within walking distance of school. If you have, or know of anyone with, a home for rent in the vicinity please contact Jo on 021 127 0244.

Contact the editor, Dana Marcroft at fridayflyer@michaelpark.school.nz
Guideline 150 characters maximum please. Deadline Thursday lunchtime.

2023 TERM 1

Music Lessons

Want your child to learn piano, guitar, or violin at Michael Park School?
We have amazing music tutors who are highly trained and passionate about teaching musical instruments.

- 30 mins 1:1 Lesson (\$39)
- FREE 30 mins trial lesson in Term 1

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ST CHADS COMMUNITY CENTRE

SPEECH & DRAMA LESSONS

WHO?

Open to students aged 5 - 18.

WHEN?

1 x 30-45 min (age dependant) lesson per week during school terms.
Lessons are held after school at St Chads Community Centre, on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

WHERE?

St Chads Community Centre,
St Johns Rd, Meadowbank

LESSONS INCLUDE...

- Public speaking skills
- Acting skills
- Positive body language
- Speech writing & delivery
- Vocal skills
- Poetry recital
- Reading aloud
- Manners & relationship skills
- Building self-esteem & confidence

We also offer professional qualifications through our association with NZ Speech Board and Trinity College of London.

For more information

www.headheldhigh.co.nz • jenni@headheldhigh.co.nz • Jenni 021 935 422

TĀMAKI MUSIC SCHOOL



2023 ENROLMENT DAY

ENROLMENT DAY IS ON:

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 11th 2023

9 AM - 11 AM

AT

TĀMAKI PRIMARY SCHOOL

(Alamein Road Panmure)

TUITION IS AVAILABLE IN THE FOLLOWING INSTRUMENTS
FOR PRIMARY AND INTERMEDIATE STUDENTS' YEARS 1-8

CLARINET

FLUTE

GUITAR

RECORDER

VIOLIN

TUITION FEES: \$10.00 (PER TERM)
INSTRUMENT HIRE: \$10.00 (PER TERM)

Enrolments will be open after this date if you are not able to attend on the day,

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

EMAIL: tamaki.music.school@gmail.com

JACOB SAMSOM Co-ordinator or JULIE SAMSOM Liaison



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GRAFTON@ELIETTESMUSICACADEMY.COM

WWW.ELIETTESMUSICACADEMY.COM

Blanket Consent for EOTC



Michael Park School

Relate Create Inspire

I give my consent for the student enrolled to participate in off-site programmes of learning, within his or her normal classroom time allocation and approved by the principal.

I understand that Education Outside The Classroom (EOTC) is the name given to all events/activities that occur outside the classroom, both on and off the school site. This includes sport.

- Our school believes in using a range of environments and experiences to enhance our students' learning.
- We have ready access to the beach, rivers, mountains, and the bush in our area and beyond. We are also close to various built environments in our community. These areas are rich learning environments for our students both in and out of school. They need to learn how to be safe. Our school also values the concept of providing students with opportunities. Thus some of the learning for students occurs beyond the school site and this document is seeking your consent for your child/ren to participate in such learning

The Ministry of Education's **EOTC guidelines** identify four EOTC activity types, each with recommended types of parental/caregiver consent. In brief they are:

Type of event	Description	Type of consent
A	On-site in the school grounds	No consent sought or blanket consent for <i>lower risk environments</i> . Separate consent for each event or programme for <i>higher risk environments</i> *
B	Off-site events in the local community occurring in school time.	Blanket consent at enrolment for <i>lower risk environments</i> . Separate consent for each event or programme for <i>higher risk environments</i> *
C	Off-site events - finishing after school finishes	Blanket consent at enrolment for <i>lower risk environments</i> . Separate consent for each event or programme for <i>higher risk environments</i> *
D	Off-site residential overnight events	Separate consent for <i>lower risk environments</i> . Separate consent for each event or programme for <i>higher risk environments</i> *

**Involves risk assessed to be greater than that associated with the average family activity.*

All EOTC activity categories require staff to undertake an analysis of the risks, and identify the management strategies required to eliminate, isolate and minimise the risks. Emergency procedures are also in place.

BLANKET CONSENT

I/we agree to the participation of _____ In *lower risk* category **A** and **B** and **C**
EOTC events while a students at Michael Park School.

I/we have provided the school with up to date medical, supervision and learning information through the enrolment form and will make every endeavour to keep this information current.

Name: _____ **Signature:** _____

Date: _____

Name: _____ **Signature:** _____