



COMING EVENTS

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Friday 19 May	Class 3 Lunch Bar
Friday 19 May	Kindy Lantern Festival
20-22 May	Duke of Edinburgh Trip
Saturday 20 May	Spinning & weaving workshop, Intro to knitting workshop (See ad on page 3 for registration info)
Saturday 20 May	Sustainaball, 10am-1pm
Thursday 25 May	Team Photos
Friday 26 May	MPS Concert
Sunday 28 May	Whitsun

Kia ora koutou katoa,

I hope that you and your whānau are safe after the weather chaos we endured on Tuesday. To those impacted, please know that you have our support and do contact us if we can help in any way.



We identified minor leaks from the ceiling inside four of our buildings that we were able to address yesterday, and we were clearing the drains while the downpour was happening to eliminate the chance of surface flooding occurring. Other than that, we came away generally unscathed.

Winter sports within the school also started last week with our middle school boys and middle school girls basketball teams playing matches. Our senior girls basketball team and senior girls football team will have their first game next week.

Last weekend I received notification from Roanne Patecki tendering her resignation as Class 1 teacher. Roanne is enrolling at the University of Auckland next semester to undertake a counselling qualification. She will be with the class for the next few weeks until her course starts in June. Janette Feenstra will continue to hold the class. We wish Roanne all the very best with the next chapter of her journey.

Please stay safe and look after yourself and your whānau. Have a restful weekend.

Nga mihi nui,
Desmond Pamerika
Tumuaki

CLASS & INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

Orders placed before midnight this Sunday 14th May will be delivered free to the school. Orders can still be placed after that date but will incur a postage fee.

To order go to www.photolife.co.nz and enter your access key. Access keys were emailed directly to families from Photolife. If you have misplaced your access key, please contact the school office.

TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE

Dear parents and caregivers,

Please find below a link to information and the Application Form for parents/caregivers to apply for School Transport Assistance through the Ministry of Education.

This is open to all school children on our school roll. There is more information in the link about the criteria and guidelines for applying.

<https://parents.education.govt.nz/primary-school/your-child-at-school/school-transport-assistance/#apply>

Thanks
Brenda



TAKATŪ TE REO COURSE

A REFLECTION FROM BRIAR GIBSON

Ngā mihi o te wā ki a koutou,

Last Sunday, forgoing the traditional brunch and baking with the flatmates, I made my way, bright and early, to Waipuna Hotel and Conference Centre. I was there to attend the introductory hui to the Takatū Te Reo course for teachers and educators. There, looking over Te Kopua Kai-a-Hiku, we were welcomed in a whakataua.



Throughout the day we got to meet our fellow educators and experience introductory lectures to the subjects we would be covering throughout the six-month course. It was both inspiring and humbling to be in a room with hundreds of educators who are so committed to bringing te reo to their classrooms. Teachers who are committed to improving themselves for the benefit of their students and who are willingly to give up their own time, their weekends, time away from their whanau, to work towards what they feel is owed to their students. Teachers who, idealistically, believe they can find an extra eight hours in a week to work towards these goals.

It reminds me of a quote from Rudolf Steiner, in 'Balance in Teaching' - *'In life it is not the ready knowledge that is of value, but the work which leads to the knowledge'*. I have always taken this quote to mean that having lofty ideals is important. Even though one may not be able to deliver on those ideals just yet, doing the mahi towards those ideals is what is of greatest spiritual importance. It was humbling to spend time with tutors who had done the hard mahi to be in a position to share their knowledge with others. It was incredibly encouraging to be in the presence of educators, my Michael Park colleagues included, who have been on and continue to be on this journey to being the educators we want to be and the educators we believe our tamariki deserve. I look forward to continuing this journey with them.

Ka nui te mihi

Briar Gibson

Class 5 Teacher



Community Kapa Haka

We are a very social group made up of MPS community members, and we learn Te Reo Māori me ōna tikanga through waiata. We meet online using Zoom.

Please email Andrea if you have any questions or are interested in joining. keithandreaollie@gmail.com

Andrea Gordine is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Ngākau tahi kapa haka **Time:** Tuesdays 5.30pm ia Raatu

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72997778911?pwd=5tehggbl1aXG2cRARQ1sAEwTz5UcRu.1>

Meeting ID: 729 9777 8911 **Passcode:** HWe2US

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

- **4 brm house for sale** on Marua Rd. The key words here are: single level, brick & tile, free standing, freehold, private, sunny north facing, near new built.... You named it, we got it! For further details: rwsthehiers.co.nz/properties/residential-for-sale/auckland-city/ellerslie-1051/house/2891482. Please contact Rain - 021 066 4976 if you are interested.
- **House sitter needed over winter.** Our cosy, modern 3 bedroom house and lovely cat Fritz are looking for a house sitter from end of June 'til mid-August. Located close to school in Mt Wellington. Quiet area, safe neighbourhood. Please give Catrina (027 949 1463) a call if you're interested or know someone.
- **We are collecting for Give a Kid a Blanket** again this year! This connects families across Auckland with warm blankets (etc) through a network of nurses, social workers, police and other front line staff. We can collect from you, meet you at school, or you can drop at our place. Looking for: New and Excellent condition pre-loved blankets, sleeping bags, duvets, baby sleep sacks, winter bedding, duvet inners and covers, pyjamas, beanies, socks, jumpers, winter coats, rain coats, Moses baskets. We are only able to accept new pillows and new hot-water bottles. giveakidablanket.co.nz Thanks so much, Rachel. (Jacaranda/class 4 mum). **021 571 648.**

Contact the editor, Dana Marcroft at 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.

Kiwaha o te Wiki

Kei a koe te tikanga.

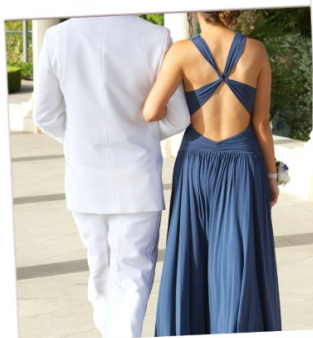
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SUITS AND DRESSES
FOR SALE AND FOR
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20th May
10am-1pm

\$5 ENTRY
INCLUDES CATERED
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ALL PROCEEDS
DONATED TO THE
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MPS STUDENTS PRESENT:

26
MAY, FRIDAY



MUSIC CONCERT

VENUE : MPS AUDITORIUM • DOORS OPEN @ 7PM

ENTRY FEE : CHILD \$5. ADULT \$10

All Instruments and Dancers!!

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RSST PRESENTS...

A series of workshops to be held throughout 2023,
bringing together whānau & community to experience Steiner Education.

WORKSHOPS ONE & TWO

HANDWORK with Michelle Mullany

SATURDAY, 20th MAY

WORKSHOP ONE: Spinning wool & weaving a wall hanging decoration
9.00am - 12.30pm

WORKSHOP TWO: Introduction to knitting - Knitting a small animal
1.00pm - 4.30pm

Venue: Handwork Room, Michael Park School

Cost: \$30.00 per Workshop

RSVP: Email Dana: danam@michaelpark.school.nz

Watch this space for the next workshop with Luis Bernal (Outdoor Classroom)





MUSIC LESSONS at Michael Park School

**Does your child want to
learn to play music?**

*Would you like in-school lessons with a professional
Music tutor who has many years of teaching experience?
You can enrol your child in guitar and ukulele lessons
at Michael Park School!*

We deliver a fun, varied and structured curriculum.
Students are taught during school hours and learn songs in styles
ranging from traditional to contemporary.

MUSIQHUB
PLAY SMART

For information on guitar and ukulele lessons, contact **Lih Foo**
Email: lih.foo@musiqhub.co.nz • Phone: 021 2076 231



Art Therapy Sessions

*with Tracey Murphy
Anthroposophical Art Therapist
Carbon Mirrors Art Therapy*

Facilitating children, adults and groups through
artistic processes toward more health, resilience and
in support of their next steps on life's journey.

Gentle guidance using watercolours or charcoal, and
the teachings of Liane Collot d'Herbois regarding the
movement of colour.

Individual sessions available to book now.

Friday afternoons from 1pm-4.30pm
at Rudolf Steiner House, Michaels Ave, Ellerslie.

For enquiries or to book a session:
carbonmirrorsarttherapy@gmail.com

021 0233 1888



Biography Workshops

Next workshop: June 22nd (evening)
23rd, 24th and 25th (full days) in Titirangi.



Biography work is a personal development method, helping
us understand the past, live more intensely in the present
and shape the future more consciously.

This gentle Anthroposophical means of understanding
ourselves and the world, helps us to see how Steiner
Education really is an education for life.

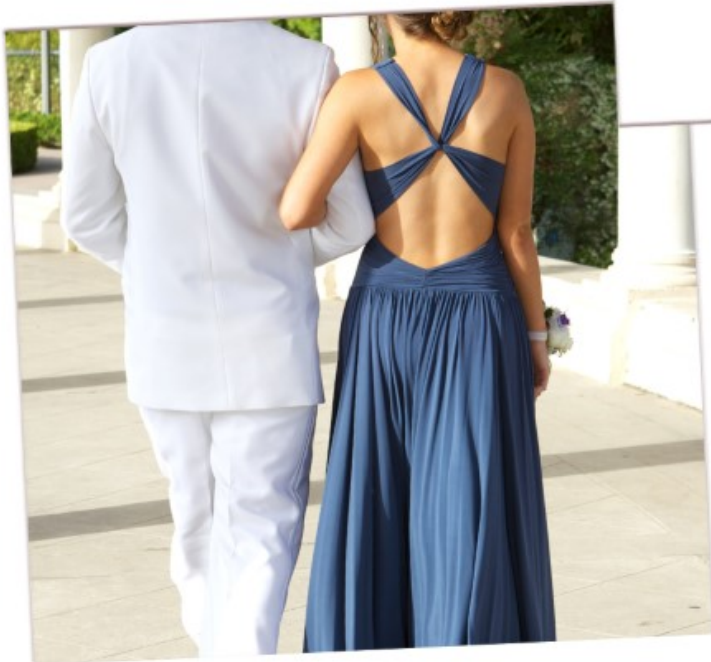
Running over one evening and 3 days, workshops proceed
with 3 or 4 people.

**For enquiries please ring Rhyll on 027 344 9847
or email rhyll@miracompanions.co.nz**

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