



### COMING EVENTS

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<b>Saturday 17 June</b>	<b>High School Ball</b>
<b>Monday 19 June</b>	<b>Class Fair Coordinator Meeting</b>
<b>Wednesday 21 June</b>	<b>Class 6 Market at lunch time</b>
<b>Wednesday 21 June</b>	<b>Kindergarten Koru Festival</b>
<b>Friday 23 June</b>	<b>School Takurua Festival 5.30pm</b> <b>Class 8 selling food from 4pm</b>
<b>Thursday 29 June</b>	<b>Class 8 'Wonder Words', 7pm</b>
<b>Friday 30 June</b>	<b>Class 8 'Wonder Words', 7pm</b>

Kia ora whānau,

Ka mahua a Matariki i te pae, ka mahuta  
oo tatou tuumanako ki te tau.

*When Matariki rises above the horizon,  
our aspirations rise to the year ahead.*



We have had another wonderful week at school with lots of things going on; our whānau hui on Monday, our open day and high school information evening on Wednesday, our Matariki potluck breakfast this morning, Class 8 on play immersion, and rehearsals and preparation for our Takurua Festival happening next Friday that we are all looking forward to.

Next week we will be able to cover most of the high school classes to minimise disruptions that secondary schools are facing across the motu. Below is the rostering for next week.

Date	Classes rostered home
Monday 19 June	No one
Tuesday 20 June	Class 10
Wednesday 21 June	No one
Thursday 22 June	Class 9

We are endeavouring to have all high school students back for the last week of term and will continue to explore our options to make that happen.

Have a wonderful weekend whānau.  
GO THE BLUES!!

Ngā mihi nui,  
Desmond Pemerika  
Tumuaki

### CLASS FAIR COORDINATOR MEETING

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 6.30pm in School Library.**

If the class fair coordinator can not attend then at least 1 representative from that class must attend.

Any questions please contact [fairadmin@michaelpark.school.nz](mailto:fairadmin@michaelpark.school.nz)

## TAKURUA FESTIVAL

As we approach mid-winter, we prepare ourselves and our school for the Takurua (Winter) Festival, happening on Friday, 23 June, around the winter solstice.

We will start with inspiring singing at 5:30pm at the stairs in front of Class 2 and 3, after which the Lantern Walk around the school will lead to the spiral that will be set up by students on the soccer field. The festival will end with a few fires to roast food on. We encourage everyone present to walk the spiral as it builds beautiful sense of community.

So, undust your old lanterns,  
or start making your new ones, and get your gumboots ready...!

See you there!

Regards  
Luis Bernal



Sausage Sizzle, Vegetarian Dahl, Butter Chicken, Apple Crumble,  
Hot Chocolate and lots of Yummy Home Baking

**Come and enjoy dinner  
at the Takurua (Lantern)  
Festival next Friday from  
4pm onwards**

Thank you for supporting our Class 8 fundraiser

## ALUMNI NEWS

We send our best wishes to MPS alumnus Kaspar White-Harris. Kaspar, who graduated MPS in 2014, has been selected for the New Zealand Men's National Lacrosse team who will travel to San Diego, USA to compete in the 2023 Men's Lacrosse World



Championships. There will be 30 teams from 30 countries in the tournament.

Kaspar also represented NZ at the 2018 World Lacrosse Champs in Netanya, Israel, along with fellow MPS alumnus, and lacrosse legend, Toby Delamore.

Good luck to Kaspar and the team!

## ROBOTICS TEAMS

The Michael Park Robotics group has a junior team for C6 and C7 and senior teams for High School students from C9 up, competing in the Auckland Region VEX Robotics competitions this year.

We meet every Wednesday from 4pm to 5.30pm in the woodwork room and would welcome any students interested in joining. Parents are welcome to come along to see what we are doing and decide if it would be suitable for their child.

More information about the competition can be found at <https://www.vexrobotics.com/competition>. Juniors use the VEX IQ system and High School use the VRC system.

## WOODEN RECORDERS

If you have a wooden recorder that your child is no longer using and you are happy to donate it to the school it will be much appreciated.

Amanda Lawrence

### Whakataukī o te Wā

Matariki hunga nui

*Matariki of many people.*

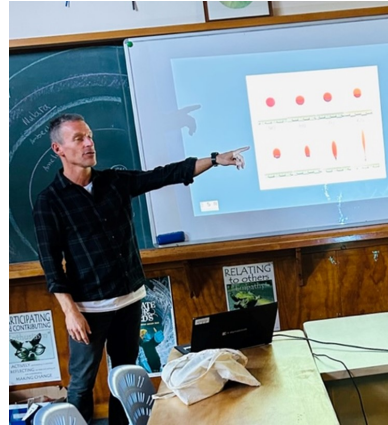
Matariki  
hunga nui



This phrase highlights that Matariki is a special time where people gather together to celebrate the passing of one year and share hopes for the new one.

## FORENSIC MATHS

Last Friday, Class 10 parent Ruben Miller ran an applied Maths session with the students. He showed the class some pictures of synthetic blood stains and asked them to guess what caused them. Students had to look closely at the stains to work out the direction of lines and other patterns. Can you guess what Ruben does for a job? He is a forensic scientist who helps the police to solve serious crime scenes. He showed the class the importance of Maths in his job. He got students to use trigonometry formula they learned in Maths to measure the angle and distance of 'blood' stains on a large sheet of paper.



Thank you Ruben for giving up your time to present a really interesting session and show just how important and relevant Maths is outside the classroom.

*Ruben showing the class some synthetic blood stains.*

A colorful poster for 'class 6 market'. The text 'class 6 market' is written in large, stylized, overlapping letters in shades of purple, pink, and yellow. Below this, it says '21st june Wednesday' and 'lunch only dont miss out!'. Further down, it lists 'allergy friendly options' and 'baking arts and crafts raffles and more!'. On the right side, there is a black silhouette of a rose branch with several buds.

class 6 market

21st june Wednesday

lunch only  
dont miss out!

allergy friendly options

baking  
arts and crafts  
raffles and more!



## CLASS 8 PRESENTS



**29th and 30th of June**

A production showing the contrast between everyday life and a comical and surreal, imaginary world.

Wonder words is an eccentric and zany production, similar to that of a Baz Luhrmann film, with a hero's journey throughline & an amusing story of superheroes and villains.

Our three protagonists battle a band of very colourful and quirky characters, most of whom are in their own minds. Please note it is a story of young teens overcoming their fears and doubts, especially of sharing their voice. There are moments of strong emotional outbursts and mild distress as they face their challenges, but they are within a light and comedic framework and, of course, the protagonists prevail and are left empowered! 😊

This is an outrageous, cartoonlike comedy with a deeper theme of self-discovery and empowerment. Many parents will be happy for a Class 4 child to attend, but we are recommending the production as fun and uplifting for Class 5 and above. Please note that there are a couple of naughty four-letter words (the 'p' and 's' variety) used on occasion. These will probably waft past young ears without too much disturbance within the playful and high energy context. We leave this up to parents' discretion.

This will be a visually interesting and colourful and uplifting production, peppered with song.

Class Eight has been working with passion and drive to create this show. Miss Wilson says they are growing in confidence, skill and work ethic. We hope to see you all at the show to celebrate our efforts over the last month. Tickets are on sale live on the iTicket website.

Olive Dickson and Ms Wilson  
on behalf of Class 8.

[www.iticket.co.nz/events/2023/jun/  
wonder-words](http://www.iticket.co.nz/events/2023/jun/wonder-words)

**...CLASS 8  
PRESENTS**

**WONDER  
WORDS**

**...A MADCAP  
COMEDY  
ABOUT THE  
POWER OF  
FINDING YOUR  
OWN VOICE**

**THURSDAY 29,  
FRIDAY 30 OF  
JUNE 7PM**

**TICKETS FOR  
SALE @  
WWW.ITICKET.CO.NZ**

**iTICKET**



## Outdoor Classroom Holiday Workshop with Mr. Bernal. Classes 2-7 Kia ora whanau...

Monday 10 & Tuesday 11 July at MPS. Our usual under the tent: games, firemaking, cooking and traditional crafts.

Wednesday 12 July - Wild suburbia. Reserve in the city TBC. Out to explore one of our urban green lungs.

Single day \$80, two or more days \$75 per day.  
Expressions of interest welcome at  
[luisbernalt@gmail.com](mailto:luisbernalt@gmail.com).

## July Craft Holiday Program with Michelle Mullany

Tuesday 11th July, Wednesday 12th July  
& Thursday 13th July

9am-3:30pm

MPS Handwork Room and Kitchen

Class 1-5 Tamariki (Ages 6-11)

**Crafts galore and cooking/baking!**



\$80 1x day

\$75 per day 2x days

\$70 per day 3x days

**Limited spaces available.**

**Book now to secure  
your space.**

[michellemullany@gmail.com](mailto:michellemullany@gmail.com)

022 127 6551

## Class Four Sock Fundraiser

NZ Merino socks, tights and other apparel  
for babies, kids and grownups.

Please order online at:

[www.cosytoes.co.nz](http://www.cosytoes.co.nz)

within the month of June.

Be sure to write  
'Michael Park School'  
in the message box at  
checkout.

20% of your purchase  
spend will be donated  
to Class Four.



*Featuring Nayu Suzuki from Class 9*

Saturday 17th June, 2 performances

**Tickets here:**

[iticket.co.nz/events/2023/jun/ce-jour](http://iticket.co.nz/events/2023/jun/ce-jour)



AGES  
8-12

ONLY  
\$85  
PER DAY

# GETREAL

## A UNIQUE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Providing fun ways for kids to understand relevant social topics and enjoy making positive changes in the world and in the lives of others.

Sign up for 1 day or the whole week

July 3rd - 7th 9am - 4.30pm

### Crafting for a Cause

Monday 3 July

It's always nice to know someone cares for you, particularly if you are a child going into foster care. Today the children will create hand loom knitted beanies and hand sewn sock monkey toys to donate to children going into foster care placements.

### Cooking for a Cause

Tuesday 4 July

Today the children will cook healthy meals for people in need - the meals will be collected at the end of the day by the charity.

### Art for a Cause

Wednesday 5 July

Today the children will spend the day at St Andrews Retirement Village in Glendowie meeting some of the residents and creating works of art for them based on their life stories.

### Growing for a Cause

Thursday 6 July

Come and have some fun while learning about climate change and biodiversity and how it applies to you! During the day you will get out into nature and whilst having fun you will learn about your carbon footprint and you will come away excited about the difference you can make to help our planet and all the creatures on it.

### Drama for a Cause

Friday 7 July

While having fun the children will play drama games, experience improvisations and work as a group to create a presentation that is grounded in values of empathy, compassion and kindness with an understanding of diversity.



To enrol, phone **09 521 9623** or go to:  
**[www.selwyncomed.school.nz](http://www.selwyncomed.school.nz)**  
or **[www.getreal.org.nz](http://www.getreal.org.nz)**

the village square school holiday programmes



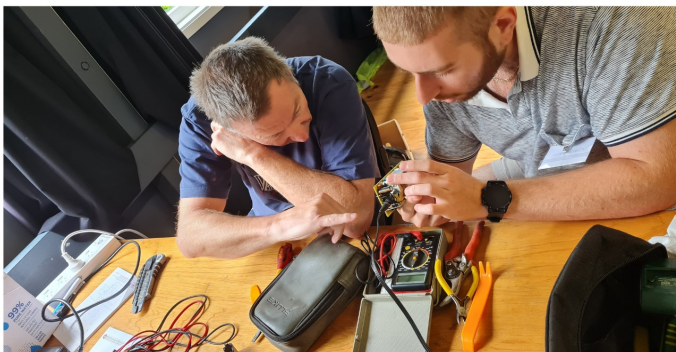
- 3rd to 13th July
- open 7.30am to 6pm
- on-site activities & trips
- for 5 to 13 year olds
- Balmoral, Epsom & Parnell



**[villagesquare.org.nz/shp-enrol](http://villagesquare.org.nz/shp-enrol)**

# Toss it? No way!

FREE  
EVENT



Repair Cafes are **FREE** community events run by local volunteers who specialise in:

- sewing repairs
- tech repairs & advice
- small electrical repairs
- toys, trinkets & models
- bikes & mechanical repairs
- small furniture & woodware

Koha for repairs are welcome!



**Nathan Homestead**  
70 Hill Road,  
Manurewa, Auckland



**3rd Saturday of  
every month**



**11am - 2pm**

If you have skills you want to share, or have any questions, contact us at:  
**[manurewa.rc@doughnuteconomicsnz.com](mailto:manurewa.rc@doughnuteconomicsnz.com)**  
or visit: **[repaircafe.doughnuteconomicsnz.com](http://repaircafe.doughnuteconomicsnz.com)**

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# REPAIR CAFE

VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED



**We are looking for repairers!!**

**Do you want to help out your community?**

**We are looking for:**

- Electricians
- Sewing machinists
- DIYers
- Tech experts
- Administrators



**Nathan Homestead**  
70 Hill Road, Manurewa,  
Auckland



**Third Saturday of  
the month**



**11am - 2 pm**

If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please  
contact us at: **[surbhi@doughnuteconomicsnz.com](mailto:surbhi@doughnuteconomicsnz.com)**

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**Eliette's**  
MUSIC ACADEMY

## HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

**THE LITTLE MERMAID  
MUSICAL THEATRE  
SONGWRITING & MUSIC VIDEO  
MAKE A BAND**

Ages 6-17  
Albany & Grafton Campus  
July 3 - 13

[eliettesmusicacademy.com](http://eliettesmusicacademy.com)



**ID**  
INITIATE  
DANCE

## INITIATE DANCE HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

### WEST AUCKLAND

3-7 JULY 2023  
GLEN EDEN  
INTERMEDIATE  
SCHOOL HALL

MON-FRI 9AM-4PM\*  
(8-14 YRS OLD)  
MON-THUR 9AM-12.30PM  
FRI 12.30PM-4PM  
(5-7 YRS OLD)

### EAST AUCKLAND

3-7 JULY 2023  
PAKURANGA  
BOWLING CLUB

MON-FRI 9AM-4PM  
(8-14 YRS OLD)

**\$85 PER WEEK**  
(8-14 YRS OLD)

**\$45 PER WEEK**  
(5-7 YRS OLD WEST ONLY)

DANCE AWAY THE HOLIDAYS AND JOIN IN THE FUN!  
LEARN A VAREITY OF DANCE STYLES WITH FUN GAMES  
AND TEAM BUILDING ACTIVITIES

BOOK ONLINE - PLACES ARE LIMITED!  
[INITIATEDANCE.WIXSITE.COM/HOLIDAY](http://INITIATEDANCE.WIXSITE.COM/HOLIDAY)

Auckland Council  
**creative**  
COMMUNITIES *nz*



## July 2023 HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

**REMUERA, OREWA, ALBANY,  
& WESTMERE LOCATIONS**

A day filled with dance,  
movement, voice, drama  
and loads of fun!



**bricks 4 kidz**

**JOURNEY  
THROUGH  
IMAGINATION**



Where technology teaches kids about fun.



Let your young innovators engineer & create

3rd - 13th  
July 2023



### LOCATIONS

Ellerslie Creativity Centre  
407 Great South Road

Glendowie Church  
197, Riddell Road

**July 2023 LEGO® STEAM  
Holiday Programme**



The centre of problem solving & imagination

[www.brick4kidz.co.nz/auckland-central-east/holiday-programme/](http://www.brick4kidz.co.nz/auckland-central-east/holiday-programme/)

Scan  
to enrol

