



COMING EVENTS

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Friday 25 August	Mid Term Break
25-26 August	NIWA Science Fair (MPS hosts)
28 August - 1 September	Derived grade exams
Wednesday 30 August	Whānau Hui
Saturday 2 September	Traditional Woodwork - Parent Workshop

MID TERM BREAK TOMORROW

Friday 25 August
No School or Kindy



Aitua!

Kua ngaro atu he wahine toa ki te pō,
ānei mātou e tangi atu nei.
*A warrior has fallen to the night and
here we remain weeping.*

Kai kini nei te aroha, kai kini nei te
manawa, kai kini nei te wairua,
Our love bites at our hearts and soul,

Hei aha ra, tū tonu te mahara.
*Unconditionally your memory will
remain.*

Okioki i runga i te Rangimarie.
Rest in peace.

Kia ora whānau,

It was with great sadness that we farewelled our beloved Whaea Andrea last week. Andrea was a much-loved parent, teacher and staff member who brought so much wisdom and knowledge of Te Ao Māori to our tamariki throughout the kindergarten, our kura and wider community. She was instrumental in setting up kapa haka throughout our lower school and in our parent group as part of our community.

We send our aroha and support to her whānau and will ensure that the mahi she started will continue throughout our kura



moving forward. Kua haere ia ki tōna moenga roa. She has gone to her eternal rest.

We are about to embark on developing a new strategic plan for our school. When completed, our strategic plan will set the direction of our kura for the next 5 years. Over the next 6-8 weeks we will be sending out information for your feedback about the health curriculum and will be inviting whānau to attend a community workshop to gather information to assist with the creation of this very important piece of work. More information will be communicated over the coming weeks.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish our class 11 and 12 students all the very best with their derived grade assessments they are carrying out next week.

Have a wonderful long weekend whānau.

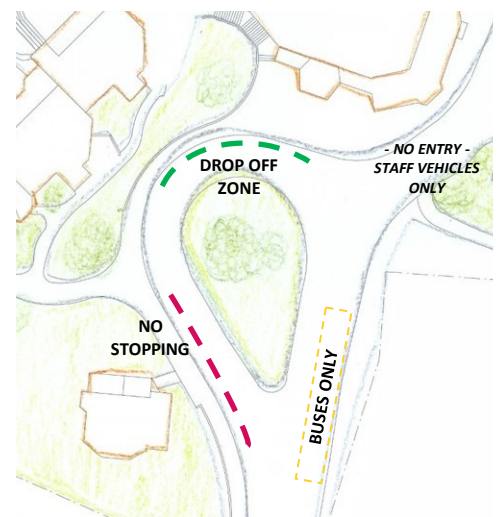
Ngā manaakitanga,

Desmond Pamerika
Tumuaki | Principal

DROP OFF ZONE

When dropping children off in the morning please drive as far around to the auditorium doors as possible and have children exit where the Drop Off Zone is marked. Please do not stop to let children exit a vehicle by the gate. Ensure children are ready to get out the car quickly and safely on the left side (not the driver's side) so that parents are not having to get out of the car to find bags or tie shoes. This lessens the chance of waiting cars being backed up outside the gates and creating a safety hazard.

At all times, please drive in and out slowly to help keep our tamariki safe.



HIGH SCHOOL SUBJECT SELECTIONS

The subject selections for Class 10, 11 and 12 2024 have been emailed out to school email addresses and the caregiver contact email addresses we have on our database. Please remember to check junk folders.

If we could please have the responses by Monday 11th September, this will aid the work that needs to be done on the timetable.

Please contact me if there are any questions or queries.

Ngā mihi
Andrew Johnstone



FAIR UPDATE

- Pre loved clothing – its time to start going through all your pre loved clothing. The clothing bin will be out in front of the auditorium foyer from the 4th September.
- Class coordinators meeting will be on the 11th September at 6pm.
- If you or someone you know may be able to contribute item/s for our raffles this year please contact me.
- Hay bales – if you know of anyone who could help us out with hay bales please contact me.

All queries to Erin Wilson fairadmin@michaelpark.school.nz

MPS BADMINTON NEWS

This term we have two teams representing Michael Park at the Secondary School's Badminton Tournament at Lloyd Elsmore every Wednesday.

Last week both teams secured wins - MPS Blue vs Sancta Maria A (6-0) and MPS White vs Elim A (4-2). This week, both teams had a clean sweep (won 4 single + 2 double games)!! MPS Blue vs Sacred Heart & MPS White vs Pakuranga 2. Hopefully, both teams can continue their winning streaks and gain more experience in rallies :)

MPS Blue: Amberley, Arnav, Mia & Miles (sub: Nayu)

MPS White: Aria, Dylan, Sebastian & Zach (sub: Ben)



SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL

Our Senior Girls basketball team were placed runner up in the Open Girls western / eastern competition, losing narrowly in a tense final that saw many lead changes but in the end it wasn't to be. I would like to acknowledge the hard work that was put in behind the scenes in recognition of making the final, the improvement across the season and the sportspersonship we showed throughout win or lose.

I'd also like to acknowledge Madz in Class 11 for the refereeing over the season and Tess in Class 12 who helped with the score sheets. Without this service games simply wouldn't happen.

Thank you.
Andrew



PAT HANLY CREATIVITY AWARDS 2023

Congratulations to Caixia Tan and Rosa Jonas, both in Class 12, for being selected as recipients for this year's Pat Hanly Creativity Awards at Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki.

The Awards was created by the Friends of The Galley to recognise Year 12 and 13 secondary school ākonga who demonstrate strong commitment and passion for the Visual Arts. Pat Hanly was one of Aotearoa New Zealand's premier artists and is renowned for his vibrant, joyful style and skilful use of colour. He is also celebrated for creating work that reflected the passion he felt about important social and political issues – demonstrating the true power of art. Students who receive the award are nominated because they are willing to take risks, experiment and explore new ideas.

Caixia and Rosa attended the awards ceremony and gala event at Toi o Tāmaki on Thursday 10th August. The busy evening saw them participate in a creative workshop with gallery educators; share kai and drinks with fellow art students, guests and teachers; receive prizes from Gordon Harris Art Store and accept certificates.

Well done to you both. We are proud of you.



RSST PRESENTS...

PARENT EDUCATION PROGRAMME

A series of parent workshops to be held throughout 2023 at Michael Park School, bringing together whānau & community to experience Steiner Education.

TRADITIONAL WOODWORK with Luis Bernal

SATURDAY, 2nd SEPTEMBER

WORKSHOP ONE: Working with traditional axe, pull knives, spokeshaves and shaving horses under the tent, to make cooking spatulas and/or butter knives from native rimu or totara. 9.00am - 12.30pm Cost: \$20.00

WORKSHOP TWO: Same as the morning for those who join in the afternoon, or the possibility of a coal-burnt wooden cooking spoon or a small slab bench if you come for the whole day. 1.00pm - 4.30pm Cost: \$20.00

We will bake dutch-oven bread for lunch at an open fire.

Venue: Outdoor Classroom Tent, Michael Park School

RSVP: To register for one or both of these parent workshops, please email Dana in the school office:
danam@michaelpark.school.nz



CELEBRATING
RUDOLF STEINER HOUSE

TOGETHER ARTS & COMMUNITY

A fundraiser event to
gather donations for
Rudolf Steiner House

MICHAEL BURTON

ANNABEL HARRISON
& STUDENTS

BODHI PROHL

NATARANI WITTEN-
HANNAH
& STUDENTS

STUART LITHGOW

MASHA PAVLENKO

POETRY & MUSIC
EVENT

FRIDAY 1 SEPT
7PM - 8:30PM

MICHAEL PARK SCHOOL
55 Amy Street, Ellerslie
Tickets -
Adult \$10 Child \$5

Please bring cash for tickets and
refreshments.

For more information:
hello@diannabrinsden.co.nz
michellem@michaelpark.school.nz

ELLERSLIE

Fairy Festival & Pirate Party

SUNDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, FROM 9.30AM



Join the fun!

9.30AM - 1.00PM

Face Painting, Bouncy Castles,
Amusement Rides &
General Collective Kids Market

10.30AM - 12.30PM

Main Entertainment:
Fairies, Pirates, Superheroes
& Princesses

Ellerslie shops
& cafes
open as usual.

Find us on Facebook: Ellerslie Fairy Festival and Pirate Party
Visit www.ellerslievillage.co.nz for more details

Ellerslie Village

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AUCKLAND CITY NIWA SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FAIR



24-26 AUGUST 2023

ENTRIES CLOSE 14 AUGUST

Public viewing (FREE ENTRY)

Michael Park School
55 Amy Street, Ellerslie
25 - 26 August

Prizegiving ceremony

Michael Park School
55 Amy Street, Ellerslie
Thursday 7 September



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