



COMING EVENTS

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TONIGHT	Mary Willow Talk 7pm
Wednesday 10 June	Open Day
Wednesday 10 June	Dr Sam Marsh Talk 7pm
Friday 12 June	Class 3 Lunch Bar
Friday 12 June	High School Concert 7pm
Monday 15 June	Fair Coordinators Meeting 6.30
Tuesday 16 June	Class 1 2027 Parent Meeting
Friday 19 June	Takurua Festival 5pm
Saturday 20 June	High School Ball

Talofa lava aiga,

O le ala i le pule o le tautua – *The pathway to leadership is through service.*

This week we celebrate Vaiaso o le Gagana Samoa – Samoan Language Week, the theme for this year is: **E afua mai i mauga tetele manuia o le 'nu'u** – *From the high mountains are the blessings of the village.* This theme reminds us that the strength, wisdom, and prosperity of a community are built upon the foundations laid by those who have come before us and that we all have a responsibility to contribute to the wellbeing of the collective.

As a school, we are privileged to be part of such a culturally rich and diverse community, where we encourage all students and whānau to engage with the activities and learning opportunities that is carried out throughout our kura.

Looking ahead to next week, I warmly invite you to attend an evening presentation being delivered by Dr Samantha Marsh.

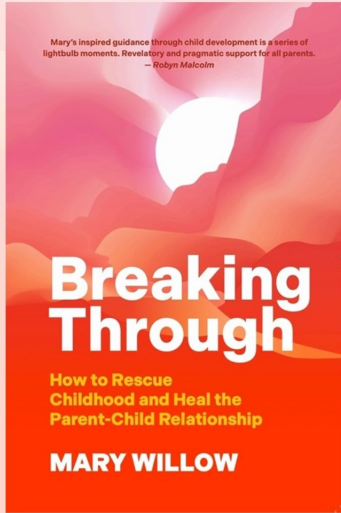


Mary Willow

Parent talk at Michael Park School
Friday 5th June at 7pm, MPS Auditorium

Mary's book '**Breaking Through: How to Rescue Childhood and Heal the Parent-Child Relationship**' will be released to all bookstores in Aotearoa NZ on June 1st.

Please see her website PlumParenting.com for details.



Mary will have copies of her new book available for \$45.00. Purchase at the event online via QR code, or bring exact cash.

Mary will be there from 6pm for purchases and book signings.

"It is not the child's flowering intellect that is at the forefront of brain development. In fact it is the child's ancient survival brain that wants to run the show."

Dr Marsh is an exceptional speaker, a parent at our school, and serves as the Deputy Presiding Member of our Board. We are incredibly fortunate to have access to her expertise and insights, and I encourage anyone who is able to attend what promises to be a highly engaging and thought-provoking evening.

Next week we will also be opening our kura and kindergarten for our Open Day. We look forward to welcoming visitors and sharing our school with the wider community.



Thank you whānau for continuing to contribute to the life of our school through your support and participation. Together we strengthen the village that supports our children.

Fa'afetai tele lava ma ia manuia le faaiuga o vaiaso

Desmond Pemerika
Tamaseu, Pule aoga

Dr. Samantha Marsh

Parent talk on Wednesday 10th June
7pm, MPS Auditorium



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PARKING

A reminder that 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 (we have 40 spaces, but 70 staff members!) When other people use the carpark, or block vehicles by double-parking, staff risk being late for classes or meetings. Please be respectful of our car park constraints.

Also, please do not leave your car in the turning circle or the Bus Parking Area for any amount of time. If you park in that space, then the buses are unable to make the turn.

FAIR MEETING (Class Coordinators)

On Monday 15th June we will hold our first Fair Coordinators meeting at 6.30pm in the staff room. If the class fair coordinator cannot attend, then at least one representative from that class must attend.

Any queries please contact fairadmin@michaepark.school.nz

Looking forward to seeing you all then.

OPEN DAY

10 JUNE



 **MICHAEL PARK**
A RUDOLF STEINER SCHOOL

michaelpark.school.nz

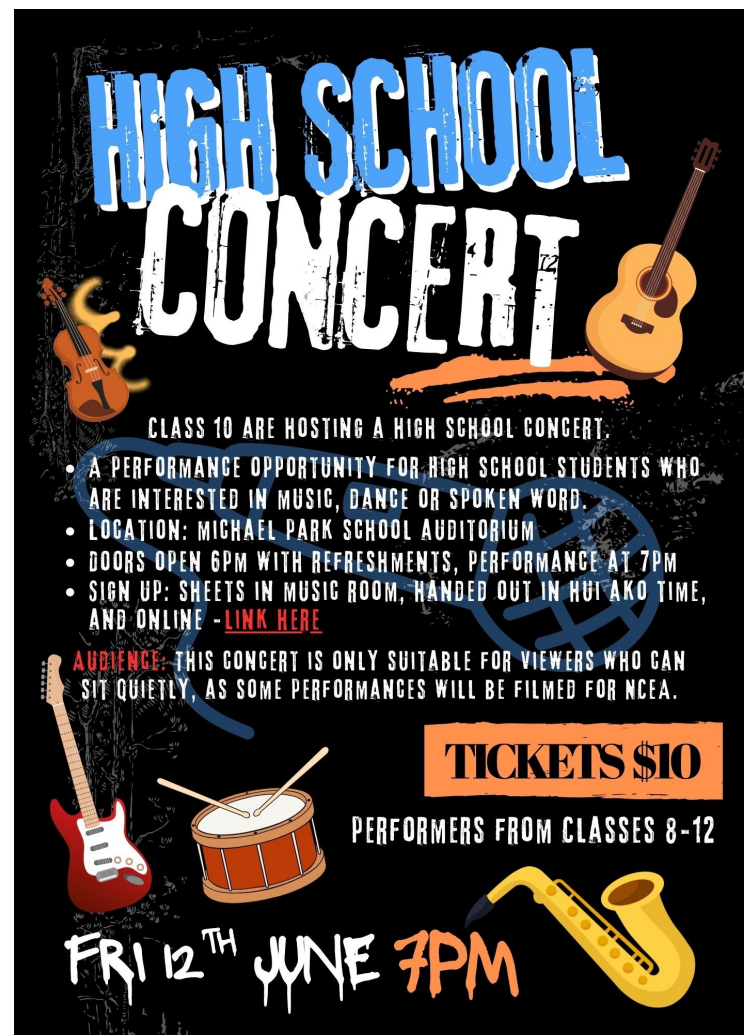
HOST FAMILIES NEEDED



Michael Park School is looking for school families to host High School students in Term 3 & Term 4 2026.

These students are coming from Waldorf schools overseas, and they stay for 1 or 2 terms.

Please contact Brenda Davidson if you are interested in hosting our lovely students. Please email Brenda on brendad@michaelpark.school.nz with your queries.



HIGH SCHOOL CONCERT

CLASS 10 ARE HOSTING A HIGH SCHOOL CONCERT.

- A PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITY FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN MUSIC, DANCE OR SPOKEN WORD.
- LOCATION: MICHAEL PARK SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
- DOORS OPEN 6PM WITH REFRESHMENTS, PERFORMANCE AT 7PM
- SIGN UP: SHEETS IN MUSIC ROOM, HANDED OUT IN HUI AKO TIME, AND ONLINE - [LINK HERE](#)

AUDIENCE: THIS CONCERT IS ONLY SUITABLE FOR VIEWERS WHO CAN SIT QUIETLY, AS SOME PERFORMANCES WILL BE FILMED FOR NCEA.

TICKETS \$10

PERFORMERS FROM CLASSES 8-12

FRI 12TH JUNE 7PM

MPS TAKURUA FESTIVAL

Friday, 19th June
5pm



Foliage needed

for Takurua Spiral

This year, we are kindly inviting the community to help us with greenery to decorate our Takurua spiral so that there is a piece of all of us in it. Bring your donations to the tarpaulin by the football field on Wed 17th after school or Thurs 18th before school. Thank you!

CHARITY TEAM 40 HOUR CHALLENGE

It is the month of June! Students are beginning to sign up for the World Vision 40 Hour Challenge, in order to raise funds for people in the Solomon Islands who are facing severe food poverty and climate crisis. From completing 40,000 steps, to only eating healthy foods, our students are coming up with creative ideas for challenges to gather sponsors, and get donations. Thanks to the support of our communities, Michael Park School has so far raised \$1,209 for our Pacific neighbours! If you'd like to donate to the school's fundraising page, you can go to fundraise.worldvision.org.nz, click 'Donate' and search for Michael Park School so we can reach our goal!

Dear parents, you can support your child by being the first to donate to their goal. Help them set up an account under the school (All information about that is on the sites register page), share our mission with friends and family or donate to any of our schools participants to try help those who need in the Solomon islands.

The Charity team is also continuing to hold events to provide ideas for the challenges and raise funds! This week there was a 40 Hour Challenge lunch bar, and more events are awaiting . . . keep an eye out !

HOW TO START FUNDRAISING ONLINE

- 1 → Go to 40HOUR.ORG.NZ
- 2 → Click "**I'M A PARTICIPANT**"
- 3 → Create your own personal page, set a goal and join your team page
- 4 → Share with friends and whānau to get your first life-changing donation!

SIGNED UP? JOIN MICHAEL PARK SCHOOL!

- 1 → Go back to 40HOUR.ORG.NZ
- 2 → SEARCH & CLICK "**MICHAEL PARK SCHOOL**"
- 3 → CLICK "**Join us**"
- 4 → Keep track of our school's progress and how many students have joined you to support of the Solomon Islands!

Come along early and enjoy a delicious meal
Friday 19th June from 4pm

Takurua Festival Dinner

Soup, Curry, Sausages, Dahl
Nachos and yummy baking!
Vege / GF / DF available

Homemade food provided by Class 8 whanau. Cash & Eftpos

Class 3
PASTA BAR
 Friday 12 June

MORNING TEA / DESSERT
 Sweet and Savoury Options

LUNCH - PASTA BAR \$5

Step 1

Choose your pasta

- Standard
- GF

Step 2

Choose your sauce

- Red (meat or vegan)
- White (cheesy)
- Green (vege)

All nut free

Step 3

Choose your toppings

- Cheese
- Salad
- Olives
- Grated carrots
- Chili flakes
- And more

Extra hungry? +\$2
 Ask for a bigger portion

Discount -\$1
 BYO plate/cup/bowl
 and fork to save

**BEES WAX CANDLE KITS & OUTDOOR
 FIRE STARTERS
 A CLASS 5 FUNDRAISER**

COME BY OUR STALL JUST UNDER THE TREES
 OPPOSITE CLASSROOM 2
FRIDAY 12TH AND 26TH OF JUNE



CANDLE DIPPING KIT - 100% LOCAL BEES WAX \$11
OUTDOOR FIRE STARTERS -
BAG OF 15X \$12
BAG OF 25X \$16

**ON OUR STALL WE WILL HAVE A FRESH BATCH OF
 PRESERVES, PICKLES AND JAMS**
FROM \$8 TO \$12
CASH AND BANK TRANSFER

~ A CLASS FUNDRAISER ~
Class 7
Honey Fundraiser



Certified raw honey from Atiamuri
 a clover, wildflower & pine blend

Small jar
\$10
 500 g

Big jar
\$20
 1kg

to order, please contact
sylviaavastag@icloud.com

~ Thank you for supporting our class ~

come spend a night at the...
TITANIC
 A Michael Park School Ball

GET IN
 YOUR
 FIRST
 DATE
 AND
 BRING A
 PLUS
 ONE!



★ **MAIDEN VOYAGE** ★
LOCATED AT AKARANA EVENTS CENTRE
DEPARTS ON JUNE 20TH, 2026
 7PM — 11PM

TICKETS ARE \$90 PER PERSON
 PAYMENT OPTIONS: ONLINE, CASH, EFTPOS
PAYMENT INFORMATION WITHIN BALL FORM
 PLEASE RETURN PERMISSION SLIPS TO THE OFFICE

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Looking to support trades and services within our school community? [Click here for the Community Skill Share list.](#)

- **Accommodation wanted.** Professional family who has a long association with MPS looking for a home to rent close to school. We have a dog and cat and needing a 3-4 bedrooms. Please phone Tania on 027 688 9204
- The **Class 9 Farm Experience Programme** has run at Raphael House Rudolf Steiner School for over 20 years, and we are currently seeking additional farm placements for our 2026 cohort. This year we have a particularly large class of 36 students, and we would like to connect with farming families, rural landowners, or others involved in rural enterprises who may be interested in hosting students for two weeks in September for this valuable educational experience. [Please click here for more information about the programme.](#)
- **Wanted to Buy: Suzuki violin books** 1-3, International Edition. Please call Kate 0278974553
- We are downsizing our flock and looking to rehome **two young Black Australorp hens**. Pick up from Mt Wellington weekdays only - Contact Nad 021 024 01291
- **For rent Marua Rd:** Modern 2 bed, 2 bathroom townhouse. New build, private fully-fenced courtyard with artificial grass, 2x heat pumps, one off-street car park. Quality appliances including a dishwasher, rangehood, ceramic hob, built-in oven, and plenty of storage space. No smokers but pet with good reference considered. Move in cost is 4 weeks rent as bond plus 2 weeks rent in advance. Contact Joline 027 332 6860.
- **Home in central Motueka** available for short-term rent. Three bedrooms, fully furnished, great for families. Available mid-June, flexible end date. Please contact Sumaia Walsh-Kelly sumaiawalshkelly@hotmail.com
- The **"Give a kid a blanket" campaign** has begun again for winter 2026! We are collecting warm things for children and families in Auckland & these will be distributed by nurses, social workers and the police family violence team to families directly. The need is great. If you have any (preloved or new) blankets, sleeping bags, sleep sacks, bedding, pyjamas, hats or socks that you would like to donate please get in contact. I would be delighted to collect from school, pick up from you or have dropped to my place (close to school). Rachel (Rose Cottage and class 3 mum). 021 571 648.



Michael Park School

Michael Park Hoodies, Beanies & Hat Online Ordering System

<https://funto.co.nz/shop> → Scroll down and click on MPS Logo

FUNTO



Hoodies Adult - \$69
Hoodies Kids - \$67.50



WOLL Wolly knit Beanie
\$31



Bondi bucket hat
\$18.50
Sizes Available
Small Med Large



CH1462 - Kids School Wide Brim Hat NAVY
\$23
Sizes Available
Med XL

All orders will be delivered to Michael Park School
For order assistance: Call: 027 5265321 email: sup@funto.co.nz

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED



Japanese Student Group | Term 3, 2026

Michael Park School is welcoming a large group of Japanese students in Term 3, 2026. We are looking for host families to support this wonderful cultural exchange opportunity.

What we need: A spare room for **two Japanese students aged 14–15**.
Students may share one bedroom but require **separate beds**
(bunk bed, trundler bed, or two single beds).

\$75 per student per night | \$1,350 total for two students over nine nights

The homestay fee includes:

- Three meals per day plus snacks/lunch provisions
- Full inclusion as part of your family during their stay
- Local sightseeing and opportunities to experience Kiwi life and culture

Hosting international students is a rewarding experience that allows you to share New Zealand culture, build lasting friendships, and make a positive impact on a young person's overseas experience.

For more information, contact Maryam:

maryam@studywithkea.com | 021 980 718

Thank you for helping us give these students a warm Kiwi welcome!

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