



COMING EVENTS

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Tuesday 13 October **Class 5 Parent Meeting**

Thursday 15 October **Class 6 Parent Meeting**

Friday 16 October **Eurythmy Aotearoa
Performance, 7pm**

Monday 19 October **Board Meeting 6pm**

Tuesday 20 October **RSST Meeting 6pm**

Class 3 Parent Meeting

Class 4 Parent Meeting

Wednesday 21 October **Helping Hands Meeting 6.30pm**

Thursday 22 October **Class 1 Parent Meeting**

Class 2 Parent Meeting

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

“Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takitini.”

*My strength is not that of an individual,
but that of the collective.*



A very warm welcome back to Term 4 - I hope you and your whānau have enjoyed a restful break and are feeling refreshed for the term ahead. We have plenty to look forward to, with our biggest community event now just 26 days away! A massive thank you to everyone who has been working behind the scenes, organising class rosters, preparing activities and helping bring all the pieces together. It is because of the collective effort of our whānau that makes our Fair such a special occasion. All of this is very much appreciated.

You may have spotted our Fair raffle books making their way home yesterday. We've got some fantastic prizes up for grabs this year, so it's time to start charming Nana, Grandad, the aunties, uncles, neighbours and anyone else who might be feeling lucky. We've made things a little easier this year by packaging the tickets in packs of five. That way, you can grab a whole pack and spread the love (and the cost!) around the whānau.

Our School Marathon Playground Fundraiser is also just around the corner. The fantastic news is that every contribution towards the fundraiser will be matched dollar for dollar, helping us make each donation go twice as far. Please support this wonderful initiative - every donation makes a difference!

On Friday evening, we warmly invite our community to attend a special Eurythmy performance by the graduating adults of Eurythmy Aotearoa. Our students will have the privilege of experiencing performances earlier in the day, and we are delighted that students from both the Lower and High School at Titirangi Rudolf Steiner School will also be joining us for the school performance.

Entry for the evening performance is by koha, with all funds raised going towards transport costs, as many members of the graduating group are travelling from outside Auckland. This is a wonderful opportunity to experience the beauty and artistry of eurythmy while supporting these graduating performers. We would love to see as many of you there as possible.

As always, Term 4 promises to be full of activity, connection and celebration as we make the most of the final stretch of the school year. I look forward to seeing you around the school and working together to make this a positive and memorable term for our tamariki.

Ngā mihi nui,

Desmond Pemerika

Tumuaki | Principal



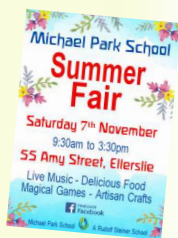
SUMMER FAIR

FAIR UPDATE - 26 DAYS TO GO

Fair Coordinators meeting
Tuesday 27th October, 6pm in the staff room

- The **Pre-loved clothing** bin is out now in front of the auditorium – please make sure clothing is washed before placing in the clothing bin.
- **BIG Fair raffle tickets** have gone home with students – instructions are all included in bag.
- Advertising - can you help deliver the **Fair flyers** in your local area? Please collect flyers from reception and tell us what streets you can deliver to.
- Please make sure you have put your name on your **class roster**, we need all parents to help – your class coordinators need your full support!
- Please **like and share** the [MPS Fair Facebook Event](#)

Any questions, please contact fairadmin@michaelpark.school.nz



MPS FAIR RAFFLE

Raffle packs will go home with students from Monday 12th October – please check school bags!!

Each book has 5 tickets in it - \$5 per ticket.

Extra books can be picked up from the school office, all sold tickets and cash can be returned to the drop box in school reception.



Any questions please contact fairadmin@michaelpark.school.nz

HAPPY SELLING

ADOPT-A-BALE FOR THE SCHOOL FAIR!

Add to the rustic charm and some rustic seating for the Fair! For the great price of \$26 from the great team at Auckland Pea Straw, you can adopt a bale (~270L or 10m2 coverage) of Pea Straw. After the fair, take your nitrogen rich bale home to mulch up your garden for summer! Adopt your bale today and let all your green thumb friends and relatives know!

Email christianh@michaelpark.school.nz before the 31st Oct to book yours!



PERFORM AT THE FAIR!

Are you looking for a performance opportunity? Please sign up to perform on the big stage at the school fair!

Please fill in the form below and return to Amanda Lawrence by Wednesday, 28 October.

amandal@michaelpark.school.nz

[Fair-performance-sign-up-sheet-2026.pdf](#)



TE AO MĀORI

Kupu whakarite o te wiki

Manu tīoriori

A melodious songbird; used to describe someone with a beautiful singing voice.

Eurythmy Aotearoa

Come and celebrate with us this Friday evening!

This special programme marks the culmination of a year's work and the completion of five years of eurythmy training. The students are excited to share the fruits of their work with audiences across the North Island.

The programme brings together music, poetry and *Kahukura*, a Māori story exploring themes of imagination, knowledge and human development.

Public performances will be held at Michael Park in Auckland, Taikura in Hastings, Tauranga Waldorf School and Waikato Waldorf School.

Come along, bring your family and friends, and join us in celebrating this significant milestone for the students of Eurythmy Aotearoa.

Admission is by koha. Your presence, encouragement and generosity will be warmly appreciated as we celebrate this important moment together.

A FANTASTIC SEASON FOR HIGH SCHOOL NETBALL

What a fantastic season for our high school netball teams! This year, we entered two teams — Junior and Senior — and we are incredibly proud to celebrate both teams winning their respective grades.

What makes this achievement even more special is that many of our players were playing netball for the first time. Throughout the season, the teams showed tremendous commitment, teamwork and determination, developing their skills and confidence with every game.

The season was a wonderful demonstration of what can be achieved when players support one another and work together. Congratulations to all of our players on an outstanding season, and a huge thank you to the Ciaran Overton, coaches, families and supporters who helped make it possible.

On to Summer Netball!



Junior Team (Class 8 & 9): Tui, Sadie, Emilie, Milena, Wilder, Milan, Neave, Jhanyaasri, Mahalia, Hannah and Clementine - coached by Shay Sabatier (Class 10).



Senior Team (Class 9 & 10): Orlando, Grace, Georgia, Dana, Shiloh, Lily, Kei, Kory, Shay and Nina-Sophia - coached by Natasha Sabatier (parent).



Waiheke Youth Art Awards 2026

Last month, I once again took part in the Waiheke Youth Art Awards Competition, held on Waiheke Island and was awarded the Waiheke Young Painter Award for my painting “A Glimpse into the Unknown”. The artwork emphasizes my profound connection to water by my becoming a part of it. In the artwork, I merge with the ripples and distorted shapes of water. This painting is a reflection of my personal love for swimming and the natural element I most closely associate with. My artwork was displayed at the Waiheke Island Learning Centre in a small art exhibition for all winners. It was an incredible experience and honor to have my artwork displayed to the public. - Aurelia Kment C12.



The Dhal Wala

The Dhal Wala will be open for business on Friday 16th October, serving up Nachos, Mac & cheese, baking & curry.

For a bowl of yummy every day, visit [the Dhal Wala website](#)



Food for thought from the RSST

Spring Festival & Steiner Philosophy

Written by Louise Davys, RSST member

At the end of last term, we marked the arrival of the Spring equinox with our annual Spring festival. It was a beautiful celebration of making spring crowns, singing, maypole dancing, games and a family picnic in the sunshine.

Springtime is in full swing here in the Southern Hemisphere. Daylight savings has begun, the sun is warming up, flowers and plants are blooming, and the depths of the cold, dark wintertime is well and truly behind us.



Rudolf Steiner called this time of year the great 'out-breath' of the Earth, where cosmic and spiritual forces actively awaken nature and the human soul after the concentrated 'inward breath' and inner reflection time of winter, .

Steiner describes this time of year on a physical level and from a soul/consciousness point of view.

Plants sprouting and blooming in springtime can be seen as the 'physical manifestation of the spirit triumphing over the cold death of winter. It is also a time where the human "I" (our ego consciousness) breaks through the restraints of the material world, moving from the sleepy inward time of winter into a time of outward devotion and rejoicing.

Many of us can relate to these teachings. Winter can be a tough time for us, and the arrival of spring brings hope, rejuvenation and a new sense of wonder at what might be possible for the bright and energetic months ahead.

Please feel free to contact the RSST to share your thoughts or comments. rsst@michaelpark.school.nz



Have you spotted our beautiful new signs? A big thank you to the parents who are carrying out this initiative to enhance our kura.

Eurythmy Aotearoa

Graduation Tour 2026

Auckland performance
Michael Park School Auditorium
55 Amy Street, Ellerslie.
16th October
7pm

Entry by koha

CHESS IS BACK

at MICHAEL PARK SCHOOL

A fun and engaging way for your child to learn, grow and thrive.

TERM 4 COACHING PROGRAMME

STARTS FRIDAY 16 OCTOBER

Give your child the skills for life with

CHESS!

Chess builds critical thinking, boosts confidence and helps kids make smarter decisions — on and off the chessboard.

JUST
\$185
FOR THE TERM

CLASS TIMES

FRIDAYS

1:30 - 2:30PM

In Library

Spaces are limited. Enrol early to secure a spot!

WHY CHESS?

1

SHARPENS MINDS

Improves focus, memory and concentration.

2

BUILDS CHARACTER

Teaches patience, resilience and good sportsmanship.

3

DEVELOPS SKILLS

Enhances problem solving, creativity and strategy.

REGISTER TODAY!

Spaces are limited



QUESTIONS?

Visit:
chesspower.co.nz
Click Parents Centre

Register at: www.chesspower.co.nz/class-registration

CHESS POWER — BUILDING BRIGHTER FUTURES THROUGH CHESS

DOLL MAKING COURSE

WITH NINA HAMILL

MAKE A BEAUTIFUL WALDORF STEINER INSPIRED
DOLL FOR YOUR CHILD OR WHANAU
IN JUST ONE WEEKEND

OCTOBER 17 & 18
9AM - 2PM BOTH DAYS

MICHAEL PARK HANDWORK ROOM

COURSE COST : \$150
TEA AND BISCUITS PROVIDED

RESERVE YOUR PLACE NOW: NININOSCH@GMAIL.COM

A MINIMUM OF 4 DOLL MAKERS NEEDED FOR THE COURSE TO GO AHEAD



Michael Park Kindergarten
Cherishing Childhood

PLAYGROUP



We're excited to be starting a new Playgroup session in Term 4!

Sessions will be held on Monday mornings in Rose Cottage, over at Kindergarten. If you're interested in joining us, we'd love to hear from you.

We also have waitlists for Tuesdays and Wednesdays as well.

For children 0 to 3 years

Sessions on
Mon, Tues or Wed

GET IN TOUCH TO SIGN UP

CONTACT US

09 525 8996

chantelles@michaelpark.school.nz

Michael Park Kindergarten
Rose Cottage

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

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

- **Room Available** in a warm and comfortable home in Mt Wellington. An ex-Michael Park School family (kids all grown up). We are looking for someone friendly, clean and tidy who would treat the home as their own. Living with a couple, the owners. Option of rooms, either a garden sleep out or an inside room. Both rooms are singles on ground level with a shared bathroom and access to a charming secluded garden. Rent is inclusive of bills. Available from mid November. \$230/week. Contact Julia 021 054 1467 or Tony 021 681 691.
- **Beyond The Reaction: Conscious Parenting Workshop in October - Steiner House.** For the parents who find themselves stuck in the same reactive loops with their kids & are motivated to make some changes. Turn your triggers into stepping stones towards becoming the parent you want to be. Spots are limited so please email Donna for info: raisingparents.nz@gmail.com

Contact the editor, Dana Marcroft at newsletter@michaelpark.school.nz
Guideline 250 characters maximum please. Deadline midday Monday.

Sorry, we no longer publish graphic advertisements, except for Michael Park School activities, class fundraisers and Steiner-related events.

2027 TERM DATES

Any changes will be published in the Flyer.

[Click here](#) to view the full calendar online

TERM 1, 2027

Thursday 4 February - Thursday 8 April 2027

Waitangi Day Observed - Monday 8 February

Easter - Friday 26 March, Monday 29 March, Tuesday 30 March

Teacher Only Day - Friday 9 April

TERM 2, 2027

Tuesday 27 April - Friday 2 July 2027

ANZAC Day Observed - Monday 26 April

King's Birthday - Monday 7 June

Matariki - Friday 25 June

TERM 3, 2027

Monday 19 July - Friday 24 September 2027

Mid-Term Break - Friday 27 August

TERM 4, 2027

Monday 11 October - Thursday 16 December 2027

Labour Day - Monday 25 October

Fair Day - Saturday 6 November

Mid-Term Break - Friday 12 November

ELLERSLIE WAR MEMORIAL

134/138 MAIN HIGHWAY

YIN & SOUND

Join us in Ellerslie for a one-hour session combining the deep, gentle poses of yin yoga with the soft, soothing sounds of singing bowls and chimes. Held once a month on a Sunday evening, this relaxing offering is the perfect way to close out your weekend.

Please bring a yoga mat and blanket plus any additional supports you desire (e.g., bolster/blocks/pillow).

\$10 from every ticket goes to support Michael Park School class one.

7:30-8:30PM AUG 23, SEPT 13, OCT 18, 0212079191
\$25 PER PERSON NOV 15, DEC 13 @ yinandoundnz

 THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY
MOVEMENT FOR RELIGIOUS RENEWAL

Love is Stronger than Death: The Dead Need Us

30 October - 1 November 2026

FRIDAY OCTOBER 30th

6.00pm Dinner
7.00pm Talk by Hartmut: 'Our Journey from Death to Birth'
8.30pm Close of Day Service

SATURDAY OCTOBER 31st

10.00am THE ACT OF CONSECRATION OF THE HUMAN BEING
11.00am Morning tea
11.30am Talk by Cheryl: 'Crossing the Threshold: From Longing to Love'
1.00pm Lunch
2.30pm Workshops (more information to follow)
3.30pm Afternoon tea
4.00pm Sharing of Stories from the Threshold
5.30pm Dinner and community time
7.00pm Candle lighting ceremony for those who have died
8.00pm Close of Day Service

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1st

10.00am THE ACT OF CONSECRATION OF THE HUMAN BEING
11.00am Morning tea
11.30am Reading and Caring for Our Dead

ATTENDANCE IS BY REGISTRATION AND DONATION: Suggested donation \$100 and \$175

INFORMATION: Hartmut hartmutborries@gmail.com 021 259 8555

BOOKINGS: Cheryl cheryl.n.p@gmail.com 021 023 20932

CATERING CO-ORDINATION: Christiane christiane.winter@gmail.com or 020 422 1250

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Thank you for your support.

Christian Community Inc 03-0259-0112730-04 (Auckland)

 THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY
MOVEMENT FOR RELIGIOUS RENEWAL

ANNUAL FAMILY CAMP

MANGATEPOPO, TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK

January 11-16 2027

BOOKINGS

Registrations for our 2027 Summer Camp are open - spaces are limited so please book your space to avoid disappointment!

DAILY RHYTHM

Each year we offer separate programmes for little children, young children, youth and adults.

We begin and end each day with a circle including games, singing and an ongoing story. Morning and evening services deepen our spiritual striving and devotional life. Together we build and strengthen our community and connection with daily work, play and devotion. We prepare and enjoy organic and biodynamic foods.

Tongariro is renowned for its beauty and diverse outdoor activities including walks, waterfalls, hot pools and swimming holes.

All inclusive costs per person;

Adult \$450; 10-17 yrs \$300; 5-9 yrs \$250; Up to 4 yrs \$75

Camp Account: The Christian Community 03-0259-0165146-05

INFORMATION: Hartmut Borries hartmutborries@gmail.com 021 259 8555

BOOKINGS: Cheryl Prigg cheryl.n.p@gmail.com 021 0232 0932

+649 525 2305

www.thechristiancommunity.org

Only 3 weeks to go! WE REALLY NEED YOU TO SUPPORT US PLEASE.

Our fundraising is tracking well but we need a push
SO **NOW** IS THE BEST TIME FOR YOU
TO GET BEHIND US



***EVERY DONATION MADE
BETWEEN OCT 12TH & OCT 30TH
WILL BE MATCHED!**

WE'RE RUNNING THE
**AUCKLAND
MARATHON 2026**
RAISING FUNDS FOR A NEW
PLAYGROUND



*Donations will be matched to a maximum matched value of \$2000.00 during the period stated.

FAIR T-SHIRTS

From 8.00am - 8.30am daily, you can order a Michael Park T-Shirt from reception.

Samples are available to view.

To place your order, please use the order form below.

Child T-Shirt \$20.00 Adult T-Shirt \$25.00



T-SHIRT ORDER FORM

NAME _____

CLASS _____

Please circle the colour and size you are wanting to order:

Child

Colour: **RED** **ROYAL BLUE** **IRISH GREEN** **GOLD** **PINK**

Size: 4 6 8 10 12

Adult (Womens)

Colour: **PINK** **ROYAL BLUE** **IRISH GREEN**

Size: S M L XL 2XL

Adult (Mens)

Colour: **ROYAL BLUE** **RED** **IRISH GREEN**

Size: S M L XL 2XL

HOW TO PAY:

1. Place cash and order form in drop box at reception (*envelopes provided by drop box*)
2. Order in person through Erin at reception from 8.00am to 8.30am (Mon -Fri). EFTPOS available.