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Character, Competence, Community

Term 1 Theme: GOD IS WISE. He wants us to be wise.
Values: Respecting rules. It is entirely possible.
Habit of the Mind: Thinking about your thinking.
Key Competency: Managing self.

Our Mission Statement:

For each learner the school community will provide quality learning opportunities that encourage Christian perspectives and affirm Biblical principles.

Memory Verse: Week 1

"Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom". (James 3: 13)

Principal's Pen

Dear Parents

God is Wise: so much of what we do and say in a day comes from the wisdom of God. 'Love thy neighbour as thyself'. If we look to relate to each other the same way that we relate to our family members, showing love and understanding, each day will be better for both others and ourselves.

ROLL:

Our newest Year 1, **Adaya Simeona**, turned 5 last Friday and will be duly welcomed at our School Assembly this afternoon. We also welcomed back this year, **Anna Simeona**, to Year 7 in our Kauri class.

WELLINGTON EASTERN SCHOOLS' CLUSTER:

Last week, I had the pleasure of meeting, for two days, with the Principals of the Eastern Zones' Primary and Secondary Schools, who are now working together as a **Community of Learners [CoL]**. We share the following goals:

VISION:

Collaboration to lead educational change.

MISSION:

Through collaboration with each other, we will **strengthen the learning pathways** for our tamariki [pupils].

Through collaboration we will provide **opportunities for our teachers to practise leadership** by sharing their expertise.

VALUES our CoL shares:

- Our Foundaton is **respect, integrity, trust and moral purpose for teaching and leading;**

- Our way is **kotahitanga [teamwork]** and **whanaungatanga [interconnectedness]**
- Our glue is **modesty, optimism and kindness**
- Our action is **perseverance, determination, commitment, self-expression and understanding**

EDUCATION REVIEW OFFICE:

In the week beginning 13 March, our School is due to receive a visit from the Education Review Office.

CULTURAL:

Mrs Zelda Dahya has continued her practices with our Kapa Haka group by way of preparation for upcoming School events.

Our two itinerant teachers, **Shan Jordan [Piano]** and **Bekky Boyce [Guitar]**, began their tuition last Friday.

SPORTS:

Our Kiwi Sports' programme this term, has seen our pupils receive coaching and skill building in Athletics. This programme entitled 'Get Set Go' [Years 1-3] and 'Run, Jump, Throw' [Years 4-8] began last Friday and will run for eight weeks.

SPIRITUAL:

Our beginning School service is timed to take place at Gateway Baptist Church on **Sunday 5 March**, at 10 am. At this service, we will formally badge our new School Leaders and take the opportunity to meet together for the first time in 2017.

God Bless You
Kevin Boyce
Principal

Welcome

To Adayah, who starts school today in Kowhai class, and to her parents Alofa and Nolan Simeona. Adayah is also related to Anna in Kauri class. We warmly welcome you and your family into our school community and know you'll enjoy your time with us.



Adayah

Meet the Teacher

Our annual "Meet the Teacher" is tomorrow evening (Tues 21 Feb) at the following times:

Kowhai - 6:00pm

Totara - 6:30pm

Kauri - 7:00pm

This is an opportunity to meet your child's teacher for the first time, hear about forthcoming events, expectations, etc.

It is also an opportunity to make an appointment to have a private one-on-one chat with the teacher to inform him or her about any special needs which your child may have.

Mr Boyce will also come to each class at the beginning of each session to welcome you and hear any general concerns.

Beginning School Service

On Sunday 5 March 2017 we welcome the opportunity to share the **10am service with Gateway Church**, mindful that they were the group who founded our school in 1979. We will also use this occasion to recognise our newly appointed House Leaders. We plan to have a picnic lunch straight after the service.

Music

Music lessons started last Friday for both piano and the guitar. If you're interested in your child having lessons, please contact the school office for an enrolment form. Lessons run for half an hour and cost \$25 per lesson.

2017 School Year Term Dates:

Term 1: Tues 7 February – Thur 13 April

Term 2: Mon 1 May – Fri 7 July

Term 3: Mon 24 July – Fri 29 September

Term 4: Mon 16 October – Wed 20 December

Teacher Only Day:

Friday 3 February

Public Holidays:

Monday 6 February – Waitangi Day

Friday 14 April – Good Friday

Monday 17 April – Easter Monday

Tuesday 18 April – Easter Tuesday

Monday 5 June – Queens Birthday

Monday 23 October – Labour Weekend

Prayer Requests

The following students and their families are prayed for by the staff each time we gather to pray during the week. We ask that you also pray for them too.

Week 1: Adayah, Erik, Vanessa

Week 2: Elisha, Matias, Anna

Otago Problem Challenge:

What digit should be put in *both* boxes to make this multiplication correct?

$$\begin{array}{r} \square 5 \\ \times \square \\ \hline 105 \end{array}$$

Answer from last newsletter: 3 and 8

SCHOOL DIARY

Every Monday	Principal's Assembly, 2.30pm
Every Tuesday	Prayer Group, Rm 4, 9.10am - 9:40am
Every Tues/Thurs	Wheels Day
Every Wednesday	Subway ordered lunch (optional)
Every Thursday	Technicraft (Yrs 7-8)
Every Friday	Music Lessons, 8:30am - 1:30pm
Every Sunday	10am Gateway Baptist Church - All Welcome
February	
Monday 20	BoT Mtg, 6:30pm, Staffroom
Tuesday 21	Meet the Staff - 6pm, 6:30pm & 7pm
Friday 24	Get Set, Go' & 'Run, Jump, Throw'
Friday 24	Mufti Day (bring a gold coin)
Tuesday 28	Kauri - Library visit (11am)
March	
Wednesday 1	EZ Yr5&6 Cricket Tournament
Friday 3	Get Set, Go' & 'Run, Jump, Throw'
Sunday 5	Beginning School Service @ Gateway, 10am

Miramar Central School is celebrating their 26th annual Ethnic Food Fair on Friday 3 March 2017 from 5pm-7:30pm, 38 Park Road. No need to cook dinner that night, drop by and enjoy a variety of delectable ethnic dishes, stalls, games and entertainment.

'Come to the original **"Big Dig" Treasure Hunt** on **Sunday 26 February, 11 am to 1.00 pm at Freyberg Beach**

Courtenay Place Rotary regularly organises this event to give families a fun day out, and at the same time raise funds for local community charities.

For a \$5 entry fee children get to dig in the sand for buried tokens. Each token earns a prize!

Entrants will be given a wrist tag, which will be surrendered when a prize is claimed (but there's no reason why you can't get a second entry!)

All prizes have been donated, and are of a greater value than the entry fee. There are bicycles and books, toys and vouchers for all sorts of things!"

Springboard & Platform Diving at Kilbirnie Pool

Wellington Diving Club has a range of diving classes for kids aged 5 years and up. Why not try something new this year? Visit our website and come along for a free trial! We have several after-school sessions and cater for kids of any level from beginners to competitive. We also run fun casual sessions on Sundays.

For more information, please visit our website www.wellingtondiving.org.nz or call/text Barbara on 027-485-8888.

Harbour City Junior Hockey - registrations now open for 2017!

We are an established club with players from across Wellington, giving boys and the girls the chance to play hockey in a fun and friendly environment. In 2017 we will have multiple teams for players from Year 3 – 8 and the 'Funsticks' programme for Year 1-2. New players are always welcome!

Register on-line at www.hcjh.org.nz. For more information e-mail harbourcityjh@gmail.com or ring 0212 763 222.

Elements Rhythmic Gymnastics

We still have spaces available in our recreational classes this term. We have classes available from Mon to Sat, min. numbers apply. Our classes are in Thorndon, just opposite the Botanical Gardens. Rhythmic Gymnastics is a mix of dance and gymnastics. It develops hand-eye co-ordination through the use of apparatus – rope, hoop, ball, clubs and ribbon. We are the only Rhythmic Gymnastics Club in the Wellington region.

If your daughter loves to dance and is looking for something a little different, then come along to a class and give it a try! Email info@rhythmicgym.nz to arrange a FREE trial.

For more information about Elements and our classes, visit www.rhythmicgym.nz

Miramar Rangers AFC 2017 Football Season

Are you interested in playing junior football this coming season? Registrations are now open for all age grades and close **28th February 2017**.

We cater for boys and girls of all abilities in the following junior age groups:

- First Kicks 4-6 year olds – those born 2011-2013
- Junior 7th-14th Grades – those born 2010-2003
- Girls Only Sunday Leagues 7th-14th Grades

Trials for our competitive teams in the 9th-14th grades are due to take place from 7th March, so please make registering a priority.

To register please use the following link -

<http://miramarrangers.co.nz/registration-1/>

For further information please either see our website

www.miramarrangers.co.nz/juniors or contact our administrator Rosie Telford - mrfc@paradise.net.nz

Capital Trout Centre – Open Day – Sun 5 Mar 2017

Last Open day this summer. The Centre is located behind the WCC Administration buildings on the way to the Wellington City Council Southern Landfill, on Landfill Road, Happy Valley, Wellington.

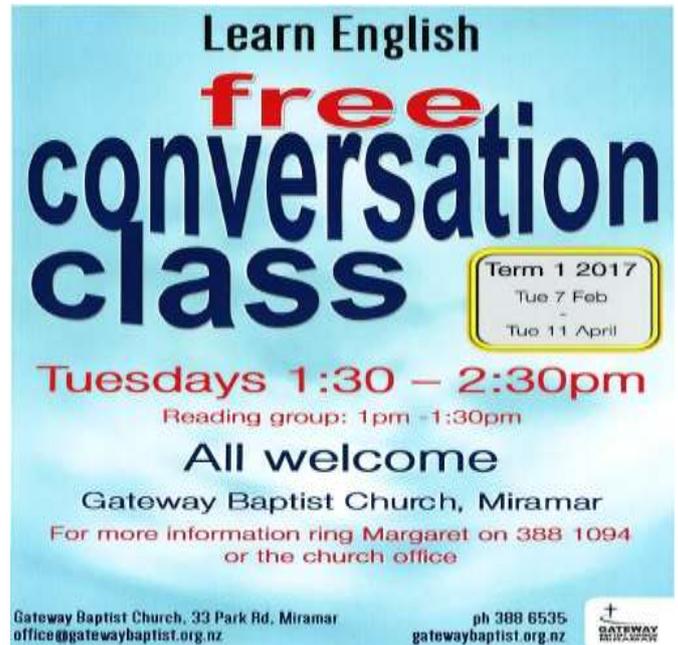
Children must be 11 and under and must have a licence to fish for trout. Free licences/registration tickets are available from:- Steve's Fishing Shop, 49 Ghuznee Street (off Cuba Mall) or FishScene Ltd, 1 C Taurima St, Hataitai Village

or Hutt Valley Hunting & Fishing, 444 Cuba Street, Lower Hutt

Children do not have to bring any gear as Club members will assist children to catch a trout on fly fishing tackle.



ORIS JUNIOR RUGBY
REGISTRATION DAY 2ND MARCH 2017
WHERE: 22 PARK ROAD, MIRAMAR, WELLINGTON 6022
TIME: 5:30 PM TO 7:30 PM
HURRICANES WILL BE @ THE CLUB BETWEEN 6 - 7 PM
"Born as Oris - Bleed as Oris"



Learn English
free
conversation class
Term 1 2017
Tue 7 Feb
-
Tue 11 April
Tuesdays 1:30 – 2:30pm
Reading group: 1pm -1:30pm
All welcome
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