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It is especially pleasing to see that our **Writing** results, for **At** and **Above**, has progressed compared to last year's results. There is work to be done and our staff are well planned and prepared to ensure that areas needing improvement are addressed.

Newsletter No 11

Monday 23 July 2018

Character, Competence, Community

Term 3 Theme: God is Truth
Values: Truth
Habit of the Mind: Creating, Imagining, Innovating
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:

*"If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.
"Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."*

(John 8:30-36)

Principal's Pen

On behalf of our staff may I warmly welcome you all back to our school for the beginning of Term Three. May I also take this opportunity to especially welcome **Ms Denise Copley** as our new Kowhai teacher.

ROLL:

It is indeed a pleasure to extend a welcome to **Yi** and his family to our Kowhai class as he begins his time with us today.

ACADEMIC: NATIONAL STANDARDS

MATHEMATICS	At & Above	Below	Well Below
Mid-Year 2014	59.7%	32.8%	7.5%
Mid-Year 2015	61.1%	21.8%	16.3%
Mid-Year 2016	70.8%	14.5%	14.5%
Mid-Year 2017	61.0%	26.0%	12.0%
Mid-Year 2018	62.0%	27.0%	10.5%

READING	At & Above	Below	Well Below
Mid-Year 2014	71.6%	19.4%	9.0%
Mid-Year 2015	76.5%	12.5%	11.0%
Mid-Year 2016	71.0%	12.5%	16.5%
Mid-Year 2017	74.0%	10.0%	17.0%
Mid-Year 2018	65.0%	14.5%	20.5%

WRITING	At & Above	Below	Well Below
Mid-Year 2014	50.7%	37.4%	11.9%
Mid-Year 2015	51.6%	35.9%	12.5%
Mid-Year 2016	73.0%	8.0%	18.7%
Mid-Year 2017	52.0%	23.0%	26.0%
Mid-Year 2018	61.0%	18.0%	21.0%

It is most pleasing to see that our National Standards' results have been maintained at this Mid-Point of 2018.

SCIENCE FAIR:

Again, we intend to enter all of our Kauri Science Fair projects in this year's competition, which is to be held from **5-8 September** at the Karori Teachers' College site. Entries close on 8 August.

PRE-SCHOOL VISITS:

Last term, we received pupils and teachers from three local Pre-Schools: Montessori (Darlington Road), Miramar Central and Miramar North, who looked at our Robotics' programme and visited our Kowhai class.

OPEN EVENING: Tuesday 31 July 2018

Please talk to your friends and invite them to attend our **Open Evening next Tuesday, from 6pm**. I have visited 7 local contributing schools to invite their Year 6 pupils and their parents to this occasion.

FOTS (Friends of the School): previously called APT

Our next meeting will be held in **Room 4 on Monday 6 August**. The **family fun night** on 29 June proved to be an enjoyable occasion and we thank Phil Coates and his team for this.

OPTIONS: We will begin this programme, as planned, next **Friday on 3 August**. Thank you to the parents, who have kindly offered to teach an activity. A letter will be sent out confirming the activities etc next Monday.

Nga mihi nui and God bless

Kevin Boyce
Principal

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: Theodore, Joon Sok, Amelia

Week 2: Anton, Elisha, Harmony

Week of Prayer & Fasting for MCS

The Gateway Baptist Church invites the school community to join us in a week of prayer & fasting for the school from **Mon 6 – Sun 12 Aug**. There will be a calendar of prayer points available to help you pray each day for specific issues, as well as some guidelines for how to fast for both children and adults. We also invite all the school families and children to come along to a **Night of Worship & Prayer at MCS on Wed 8 August from 7.30-9pm** as we seek God's blessing and favour on the school for its numerical growth and health. More details will follow and the Prayer Diary and Fasting Guidelines will be sent to every school family

via email. We hope you can join us as we seek God's face that the school may prosper and grow.

Fundraiser – Entertainment Membership

We have now sold enough memberships for this fundraiser to be a success – thanks to all of those who have bought a membership for your support, its much appreciated! Memberships are still available for anyone wanting to purchase one by using the online link below. Your purchase of an Entertainment Membership supports Miramar Christian School by contributing to our fundraising. Help us achieve our goal by sharing the following link with your friends and family:

www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/104x302

2018 Invoices

Class Costs – these invoices are now **OVERDUE**. We are waiting for **2 families** to either pay in full or set up a regular payment. We ask that you do this as soon as possible please.

Term 1 PE Programme – these invoices are now **OVERDUE**. We are waiting for **7 families** to either pay in full or set up a regular payment. We ask that you do this as soon as possible please.

Otago Problem Challenge:

Tanya, Fiona and Rose bought items at the school fair. Tanya paid \$3.60 using just 20c coins, Fiona paid \$8.50 using just 50c coins, and Rose paid \$1.70 using just 10c coins. Who paid with the most coins?

Answer from last newsletter: Ratu will need 3 cans of paint which will cost **\$60**.

SCHOOL DIARY	
Every Mon	Principal's Assembly, 12:20pm
Every Mon	Swimming p.m.
Every Tue/Thur	Wheels Day
Every Tues	Guitar Music Lessons, 9:30am - 1:30pm
Every Wed	Subway ordered lunch (optional)
Every Wed	Robotics p.m.
Every Wed	Prayer Group, School Hall, 2.20pm
Every Thurs	Technicraft (Yrs 7-8)
Every Fri	Piano Music Lessons, 8:30am - 1:30pm
Every Sun	10am Gateway Baptist Church - all welcome
July	
Monday 23	Term 3 starts
Tuesday 24	Kauri - Library Visit (11am)
Friday 27	Mufti Day - gold coin donatin
Monday 30	BoT Mtg, 6:30pm, Room 4
Tuesday 31	ICAS English
August	
Monday 6	FOTS Mtg, 2pm, Rm 4
Mon 13 - Fri 24	Watties Cans for Good Promotion
Tuesday 14	ICAS Math
Wednesday 15	Teacher Strike p.m.
Monday 20	BoT Mtg, 6:30pm, Room 4
Thursday 23	EZ Swimming @ Aquatic Centre
Tuesday 28	Kauri - Library Visit (11am)
Friday 31	Mufti Day - gold coin donatin

FREE Incredible Years Parenting Programme

The Incredible Years basic parenting programme is for parents and caregivers of children 3–8 years old. It is designed to develop positive family relationships and empower parents to make changes and to manage difficult behaviour. Registrations can be completed through <http://www.incrediblefamilies.org.nz/incredible-years/register/>

Newtown

Tues 7th August -20th November
Morning 9.30am - 12.00 noon
Venue to be confirmed

Porirua

Tues 7th August -20th November
Evening 6.30pm -9.00pm
Te Wānanga o Aotearoa - Porirua

Incredible Years Autism Spectrum Course

10th August- 7th December
10.00am-12:30 pm
Central Wellington
Venue to be confirmed

Gateway Baptist - Encounter Weekend – 18/19 Aug

With guest speakers Stuart & Lynley Allan, Senior Pastors from Catch the Fire Church, Auckland.

Sat 18 August - 4pm & 7pm with pizza & salads dinner at 6pm. Bring either a large salad, some bread & drink or a dessert to share. Gateway will provide the pizzas. Free entry but an offering to bless Stuart & Lynley will be taken.

Sun 19 August - 10am Church Service

food & drink videos puzzles lego basketball
Powerhouse After School Club
 for kids 4-12 years old
Fridays 3-5pm
 food & drink games arts & craft puzzles
 Gateway Baptist Church, 33 Park Rd, Miramar | gatewaybaptist.org.nz | families@gatewaybaptist.org.nz | ph 388 6565

Fridays 3-5pm
 (come straight from school)
 Hey parents, we're keen for you to stay and join in the fun! Tea & coffee available!
 This FREE programme is run by
Ben Edwards
 Children, Youth & Families Pastor
 Gateway Baptist Church
 with the assistance of church volunteers
 Any questions?
 Ring Ben on 022 401 5720
 Gateway Baptist Church, 33 Park Rd, Miramar | gatewaybaptist.org.nz | families@gatewaybaptist.org.nz | ph 388 6535

MOGMUSIC

Private tuition available in Piano, Recorder, Guitar & Ukelele. Places available now. All lessons held at MOGMUSIC studio in Brooklyn. Please phone MOGGIE GRAYSON 3848-213 to book in. \$20 will be donated to the school for each new enrolment.

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