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Character, Competence, Community

Term 2 Theme: God is Forgiving.
Values: Forgiveness.
Habit of the Mind: Thinking about thinking.
Key Competency: Thinking, relating to others.

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

"The Lord our God is merciful and forgiving, even though we have rebelled against him." (Daniel 9:9)

Principal's Pen

As always, it is great to return to a new term and see the bright smiles of our beautiful students. Kevin will be winding up his time in America and will return to us on Thursday.

It was sad to announce Uaea Toelupe's resignation over the school holidays. He is well-loved by staff, students and parents, and will be missed. We may continue to see Uaea's face around at times, as he may be taking sports teams to tournaments, or possibly do the odd day of relieving. We wish him and his family all the best.

We welcome Vivienne Varouhas into Kowhai class as a short term reliever while we advertise the Kowhai Class role. She is well known to us and is excited to be here. Mrs Rosemarie Tinkle has taken the reigns in Kauri Class for this term. She did a fantastic job in Kowhai Class last term and we thank her for that. Please pray that God would provide the perfect, dynamic Christian teachers to join our team.

Academic:

The Staff and I invite you to discuss your son's/daughter's academic **goals** for this term, building on the **goals**, which they chose in Term 1. During **Weeks 4 and 5**, we will conduct norm reference **testing** of our students and we will send home personal **reports**, for each of our pupils, at the end of **Week 9**. These documents will be followed up, during **Week 10**, with our **Parent/ Teacher interviews**.

Cultural:

We know that you will support the many **projects and topics**, which our pupils pursue during the course of this term. Thank you for your continued encouragement and positive reinforcement.

Sport:

Our **Swimming** programme commences next week in Miramar North's indoor pool. This continues for two terms and children's **swimming and water skills** are an important focus for us.

We have entered a **Netball** team in the local Year 7 & 8 competition and hope to emulate our strong presence from last year. I thank **MJ Simeona** and **Sheronika Singh** for their coaching and guidance of our girls. The Eastern Zones' **Cross Country** is timed to take place in Week 5 of this term.

Spiritual:

Our theme this term is: **GOD IS FORGIVING**. Again, we welcome any discussion that you might have with your children on this theme and its meaning under our **3 C's: CHARACTER, COMPETENCE and COMMUNITY**.

Nga mihi nui and God bless
Betsy Anderson
Acting 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: Mary, Erik, Vanessa

Week 2: Adayah, Lily, Trent

Emergency Food Supply

Thank you to those who have brought some cans and snack packs of food into school, its much appreciated. **If you are still yet to bring your food, we ask you to do so as soon as possible.** We need food in case we have an emergency and need to stay the night at school, or at the local Civil Defence Centre.

Fundraiser – Entertainment Membership

Support Miramar Christian School by pre-ordering your **NEW 2018/2019 Entertainment Membership** now and **receive bonus Early Bird Offers!** Your purchase of an Entertainment Membership contributes to our fundraising. Help us achieve our goal by sharing the following link with your Friends and Family:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/104x302> Thanks for your support!

2018 Invoices

Invoices for fees are now **OVERDUE**. There are 15 families who still need to pay in full or set up a regular payment. We ask that you do this as soon as possible to ensure all fees are paid as soon as possible.

Tax Donation Summary

A letter summarising your total contributions/donations paid from the 1 April 2017 through to 31 March 2018 was sent home with your child at the end of Term 1. If you require another copy of this, please contact the School Office. Generally, you can claim a tax credit (formerly rebate) for up to 30% of school donations.

Music Lessons

We will be continuing music lessons for Guitar and Piano in Term 2, starting Wednesday 2 May, for guitar lessons (and then on Tuesdays for the rest of term); and this Friday, 4 May, for piano lessons. If your child would like to start taking music lessons, a registration form can be collected from the School Office.

Swimming – Term 2 & 3, 2018

Our annual swimming programme commences next Wednesday 9 May (Week 2). Invoices for this will be sent out in due course.

Otago Problem Challenge:

Yuan bought a can of coke costing \$1.50. He paid using a \$10 note and received exactly 6 coins in change. What were the coins?

Answer from last newsletter: We already have Petra and Tara in seats 4 and 3, and we know that Rose does not sit in seat 1, so **Rose** must sit in seat 2. How old is she? The 14-year-old (Sue) is in seat 1, and the 15-year-old (Tara) is in seat 3; Petra (in seat 4) is not the oldest, so she must be the 13-year-old. This makes Rose's age **16**.

SCHOOL DIARY	
Every Monday	Principal's Assembly, 2:30pm
Every Tues/Thurs	Wheels Day
Every Wednesday	Subway ordered lunch (optional)
Every Wednesday	Prayer Group, School Hall, 2.20pm
Every Thursday	Technicraft (Yrs 7-8)
Every Friday	Music Lessons, 8:30am - 1:30pm
Every Sunday	10am Gateway Baptist Church - all welcome
April	
Monday 30	Term 2 starts
May	
Tuesday 1	Kauri - Library Visit (11am)
Tuesday 1	40hr Famine Leaders Day
Monday 7	APT Mtg, 2:00pm, Room 4
Tuesday 8	ICAS - Digital Technology
Wednesday 9	Swimming
Monday 14	BoT Mtg, 6:30pm, Room 4
Wednesday 16	EZ Netball Y5-8 @ ASB (tbc)
Wednesday 16	Swimming
Monday 21	Chess Tournament (tbc)
Wednesday 23	Swimming
Friday 25	Mufti Day - gold coin donation
Tuesday 29	ICAS - Science
Wednesday 30	EZ Cross-country (tbc)
Wednesday 30	Swimming

Beginner Clay Art Classes

During school term on Tuesdays or Thursdays, 1 hour per week, classes start at 4pm. Contact Emy Oikawa for all bookings and enquiries on 020 4079 0297, ecloartbyemy@gmail.com, Facebook & Instagram @ecloart.

Never Stop Dancing

Never Stop Dancing are offering a kids dance class for ages 9-13 starting in Term 2, 2018. Booking are now open. For all the information <https://www.neverstopdancing.co.nz/kids>

BIGAIR GYMSPORTS OWHIRO BAY WGTN

Cartwheels, Walkovers, Flips, Kongs, Handstands, Barrel Rolls, Handsprings - it's all here at Bigair Gym! Kids love learning a vast range of skills in **Gymnastics, Trampoline, Tumbling, Parkour and Cheerleading!** We have classes to support children of all levels and interests, and these classes are designed to increase children's strength, flexibility, balance, co-ordination and fitness. Children also learn extensive personal skills from Bigair Gym Classes, including increased self-confidence, self-reflection, listening skills, persistence, self-pride, increased self-esteem and so much more! These skills are so important for our kids to learn. Did you know that Bigair Gym also offer Birthday Parties and classes for Term 2. To find out more, please call our Bigair Gym Owhiro Bay on 3838779 or email wgtn@bigairgym.co.nz

Primary Years Toolbox Course (5 – 9 years)

What you will learn

This Toolbox covers a range of topics, including the importance of love and connection, different parenting styles, understanding your child and their big feelings, discipline, boundaries, play and lots of more.

This is a new and more specific version of our Middle Years Toolbox. This course is aimed specifically at parents of children 5 – 9 years.

Mondays 14th May to 18th June 2018, 7.30 – 9.30pm
Island Bay Community Centre, 137 The Parade, Island Bay, Wellington.

Bookings are essential. Cost: \$75 per person, \$110 per couple (subsidies available).

For more details contact Liz Bruce P 022 1855357 or E e.a.bruce@outlook.com



POSITIVE PARENTING HELP

TWO HOURS* IS ALL YOU NEED.

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| + Developing good bedtime routines | 14th March |
| + Hassle-free shopping with children | 11th April |
| + Dealing with disobedience | 16th May |
| + Managing fighting and aggression | 20th June |

7-9PM, MIRAMAR SALVATION ARMY, 65 MIRAMAR AVENUE

Cost per session: \$15 per person, \$25 per couple
Apply/register at www.miramarsalvationarmy.co.nz
Questions? Contact Andrea Lopdell, 021 2137625.

*PLUS COFFEE TIME!

