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## Newsletter No 9

### Monday 11 June 2018

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 3

*"Be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving one another as God in Christ forgave you."* (Ephesians 4:32)

#### Principal's Pen

Our core business is academic success and I am pleased to report that our recent assessment week has seen a shift in our Writing results' standards. Our teachers have implemented well planned and varied programmes which has brought about this improvement in our students' writing.

#### ACADEMIC:

At the middle of 2017, we reported that **52%** of our students were either **Above** or **At** the National Standard for Writing. At Mid-Year for 2018, I can report that **59%** of our students are achieving **Above** or **At** the Standard for Writing.

#### APT:

Again, I thank Phil Coates for his initiative in assuming the chairing of our APT, which has another monthly meeting at 2pm today.

#### CROSS COUNTRY:

After two postponements, the Eastern Zones' event was held last Friday and I congratulate Elizabeth-Jin Pearce and Joanna Glen, who both just missed out on a place in the Top Ten of their respective age groups.

#### NETBALL:

Our Year 7 & 8 netball team continue their winning way in their Saturday morning games and now have 4 wins to their credit.

#### SAMOAN LANGUAGE WEEK:

Our school spent time learning how to say in Samoan: days of the week, numbers and some phrases. We were also privileged to receive a visit to our assembly from one of our Samoan parents, Juliann, who spoke about Samoa, her family's home country and brought some lovely Samoan food delights to share with our Kauri class.



Juliann talking to Kauri class about Samoa



Samoan food cooked by Juliann

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 7:** Sapphire, Trey, Lexus

**Week 8:** Hugo, Chirag, Anna

#### Farewell Assembly for Mr Uaea Toelupe

There will be an assembly to farewell Mr Uaea Toelupe this Friday, 15 June 2018, in the MCS Hall. All current and previous students, families and staff are invited to attend. Following the assembly, there will be a shared lunch in the staffroom from 1-1:40pm for all adults attending (please bring a plate of food to share).

#### Teacher Paid Union Stop Work Meeting

Next Tuesday, 19 June 2018, NZEI has called a paid union stop work meeting at 2:00pm, which our staff are required to attend as union members. Because of this, **school will close early on Tuesday 19 June 2018 at 1:30pm** to allow our staff to attend this meeting. Supervision will be available until 3:00pm for children who need it. If you're able to take your children home in the afternoon it would be helpful, but not compulsory.

### Parent Interview Nights – Mon 2 & Tues 3 July

On Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 July you will have a chance to discuss your child's progress. On the Friday before the meetings (29 June) you will be given a report which will tell you how your child is doing. If you have some questions about your child's learning, please feel free to ask your child's teacher during your interview to discuss your concerns. Importantly, if something has changed at home, e.g. a parent is starting night shift work, or there is a death of a close family member, please let us know.

### Fundraiser – Entertainment Membership

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:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/104x302>. We only need one more membership to be sold for this fundraiser to be a success - thanks for your support!

### 2018 Invoices

**Class Costs** – these invoices are now **OVERDUE**. We are waiting for **5 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 were sent home last Monday and **payment is due on 20 June 2018** please.

### Otago Problem Challenge:

The number 6 has exactly four factors: 1, 2, 3 and 6. What is the smallest number bigger than 10 which has exactly four factors?

**Answer from last newsletter:** The cost of an adult fare is \$15.

### Matariki – The Maori New Year

Te Papa are celebrating Matariki from Friday 15 June to Sunday 24 June 2018. They are offering free family friendly events you may be interested in taking your children to. For more information [www.tepapa.govt.nz](http://www.tepapa.govt.nz)

### St Catherine's College – Open Evening

**When:** Monday 11 June 2018

**Time:** 6:30pm-8:00pm

**Where:** 14 Upper Bourke Street, Kilbirnie  
For Year 8 girls and parents. Come look around our wonderful college, meet the staff and students and enjoy a light supper provided by our PTA. Any questions, please contact us on 04 939 8988 or email us at [office@stcatherinescollege.school.nz](mailto:office@stcatherinescollege.school.nz).

### Wellington East Girls College

#### Open Afternoon/Evening

**When:** Thursday 14 June 2018

**Time:** 2:30pm-4:30pm or 6:00pm-8:00pm

**Where:** School Hall, Austin Street, Mount Victoria  
For Year 8 girls and parents. We take pride in our open evening for Year 8s, where we showcase our students and their work. WEGC Open Evening gives parents and students the opportunity to get a feel for the culture of the school and the subjects offered. There are classrooms set up with experiments and samples of student work, musical groups performing in the corridors, dramatic performances in the Drama Room and much more. Dozens of students volunteer to work

in labs and be tour guides and are available to answer your questions about our school. Any questions, please contact us on 04 385 8514, or email us at [wegc@wegc.school.nz](mailto:wegc@wegc.school.nz).

SCHOOL DIARY	
<b>Every Mon</b>	Principal's Assembly, 2:30pm
<b>Every Tue/Thur</b>	Wheels Day
<b>Every Tues</b>	Guitar Music Lessons, 9:30am - 1:30pm
<b>Every Wed</b>	Subway ordered lunch (optional)
<b>Every Wed</b>	Prayer Group, School Hall, 2.20pm
<b>Every Thurs</b>	Technicraft (Yrs 7-8)
<b>Every Fri</b>	Piano Music Lessons, 8:30am - 1:30pm
<b>Every Sun</b>	10am Gateway Baptist Church - all welcome
<b>June</b>	
Monday 11	APT Mtg, 2pm, Rm 4
Monday 11	St Caths Open Evening, 6:30-8pm
Wednesday 13	ICAS - Spelling
Wednesday 13	Swimming
Thursday 14	ICAS - Writing
Thursday 14	WEGC Open Day, 2:30-4:30pm or 6-8pm
Monday 18	BoT Mtg, 6:30pm, Rm 4
Tuesday 19	Teachers Union Meeting p.m. - School Closed
Wednesday 20	Swimming
Friday 22	Scholastic Issue 3 orders close
Wednesday 27	Swimming
Friday 29	Mufti Day - gold coin donatin
Friday 29	ICAS Science
<b>July</b>	
Monday 2	APT Mtg, 2pm, Rm 4
Monday 2	Parent/Teacher Interviews from 2pm
Tuesday 3	Parent/Teacher Interviews from 3pm
Friday 6	End of Term 2 (3pm finish)
Friday 13	Scholastic Issue 4 orders close
Monday 23	Term 3 starts

### Primary Years Toolbox Course (5 – 9 years)

#### What you will learn

In six sessions, typically run over six weeks, the Primary Years Toolbox will support you to develop a strong and loving bond with your child, and build your confidence as a parent/caregiver. 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 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](mailto: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, 43 MIRAMAR AVENUE

Cost per session: \$25 per person, \$25 per couple  
Apply/register at [www.miramarsalvationarmy.org.nz](http://www.miramarsalvationarmy.org.nz)  
Questions? Contact: Andrea Lippell, 021 3157625.

\*PLUS COFFEE TIME!



## JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES: -

### **Weta School Holiday Workshop:**

#### **Calling all Superheroes – July 16 - 20**

Weta Workshop is opening its doors to a new cohort of creative superheroes! We warmly invite the children of Miramar Christian School to come along.

From sketching to sculpting and costume making, our workshops for ages 6 – 12 years old will excite and delight! Don't miss out. Book online at

[www.wetaworkshop.com/school-holidays](http://www.wetaworkshop.com/school-holidays)

### **Artrageous Kids Programme:**

**When:** Mon 9 – Fri 20 July

**Venue:** Poneke Dojo, Prince of Wales Park, Salisbury Tce, Mt Cook, Wellington

**Time:** 8.30am–3:00pm

**Cost:** \$69 (after care 3:00pm-5.15pm - \$15)

Aimed at children aged 5-12 years. Our classes provide a space for all children to explore at their own pace; chaotic or careful, gingerly or with gusto, tiptoeing or tromping. Our aim is to draw out their creativity, not stuff things in! **Bookings essential – so book now!**

<http://artrageouskids.co.nz/dojo-july-18.pdf>

### **Artrageous Big Kids (Olderageous) Programme:**

**When:** Mon 9 – Fri 20 July

**Venue:** Pavillion at Wellington High School, Taranaki St, Mt Cook, Wellington

**Time:** 8.30am–3:00pm

**Cost:** \$69 (after care 3:00pm-5.15pm - \$15)

Our BIG KIDS programme is aimed at children aged 10-14 years. Providing them with a space, focused adult attention and loads of resources. This programme is tailored to draw out older children's interest in creating and using their imagination and creativity in a

hilariously fun atmosphere. Bookings essential – so book now!

<http://artrageouskids.co.nz/older-july-18.pdf>

### **STANDOUTS: DRAMA \* DANCE \* SINGING**

4day Performing Arts Workshops in Lyall Bay for ages 6-14 years. Calling all Drama Queens (& Kings)! Join our troupe as we get a show on the road these holidays. We'll be dancing, singing, and acting up a storm- as well as painting sets, making props and costumes for our show on the final afternoon.

Week 1: Tues 10th- Fri 13th July 9am-4pm daily  
Week 2: Tues 17th- Fri 20th July 9am-4pm daily  
Experienced, inspiring & professional tutors  
\$250 per child (4day workshop) + family discounts available.

Please visit [www.standouts.co.nz](http://www.standouts.co.nz) for all the info/enrolment or email [gemma@standouts.co.nz](mailto:gemma@standouts.co.nz) Why fit in when you were born to STANDOUT!

### **School Holiday Computer Classes for ages 5 – 15**

New class; Stop Motion Animation.

Also Minecraft, Learn to Code in Scratch, Python or Java, Create 3D Games, Web Design, Video Editing, Build a PC and if young, the Discovery Computer Class. For further information call 499 2211 or visit

[www.grandtraining.co.nz](http://www.grandtraining.co.nz).

**Wellington City Venue:** 2 Woodward St, Cnr Lambton Quay and Woodward St.

### **Pridelands Fun Holiday Adventures**

#### **Winter Holidays at Otari School & Berhampore School**

**Dates:** 9 - 20 July 2018

**Time:** 7.00am - 7pm daily

**Fees:** Daily \$81/cub per session or \$148 for two or more siblings per session ; Weekly: \$239 per cub/week or \$449 for two or more siblings/week

**Discounts/Funding Available:** Wild Card (15%) off across all our services MSD approval providing WINZ Subsidies for eligible families.

**Social Development:** Interactive Activities and NO TV or Video Games Kai Cubs Cooking and Life Skills Programme designed to teach our children how to prepare Healthy Breakfast, Lunch and Afternoon Teas

**Qualified 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Trained Activities Coordinators**

**One-on-One Care:** Available for cub(s) if extra support is needed

**SHUTTLE SERVICES (with booster seats)**

**AVAILABLE**

**Please contact us: 0800 PRIDE 4 U Or Register online: [www.pridelands.org.nz](http://www.pridelands.org.nz)**

**Facebook: [www.Facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare](http://www.Facebook.com/PrideLandsChildcare)**