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Newsletter No 1

Monday 4 February 2019

Character, Competence, Community

Term 1 Theme: God is our Peace
Values: Character, Competence, Community
Habit of the Mind: Diplomacy, Finding Humour
Key Competency: 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 for 2019

18 But the Lord says, "Do not cling to events of the past or dwell on what happened long ago. **19** Watch for the new thing I am going to do. It is happening already - you can see it now! I will make a road through the wilderness and give you streams of water there."

(Isaiah 43:18-19)

Principal's Pen

As most of you will know I am Kaye Gillies, the new Miramar Christian School Principal. I have long dreamed about the day I would be able to lead a Christian school and am very excited that it is now here. I am passionate about Christian education and very excited to be here. I am looking forward to leading the school. We have an abundance of fantastic teachers. I am excited about the new things that are happening.

The school has been cleaned and prepared ready for our students' return. Teachers have been working hard preparing students' learning spaces. Kauri and Kowhai teachers have worked to create lovely learning environments in for their classes. We thank them for the blessing this brings for our children. The rooms are looking great. Please feel free to pop in to see them and thank the teachers for their work.

Roll

Today we welcome new people to our school community. We welcome student Aisha-Jadah, and our new Kauri teacher, Miss Emma Lee, and ask God's blessing on her.

Working Bee

On Saturday we had our Working Bee. A very productive team carried out multiple jobs to make our school look fantastic. Bark has been distributed under our junior playground, trees pruned, our gardens and the edges of paths have been weeded, the court swept, guttering cleaned, paths redefined, physical education shed cleaned out, and more. We thank all those from our parent community, Gateway Baptist, Zelda's friends, all staff and their whanau who supported us in

this work. It is a fun community activity and we feel very blessed to have everyone's support.



Selection of working bee activity

Global Play Day

This Thursday 7th February is Global Play Day. We will provide students with interesting things they can use creatively. During this day teachers follow three simple rules i) no screens, ii) no structure and iii) adult's step back and observe how students cooperate, communicate, use problem-solving, get organised and solve issues. We are looking forward to this fun day.

Students can wear PE uniform. You may want to send your child with a towel or extra set of clothes if they are likely to be exuberant around water.

Digital Citizens Agreement

A copy of the Digital Citizen Agreement will come home today for signing. Before allowing your child to sign these please read through the agreement with your child checking they understand what it means. These are due back at school by Friday 22 February please.

2019 Beginning School Church Service

Please note in your diary our beginning school church service will take place at **Gateway Baptist Church** on **Sunday 24 February** at **10am**.

PE Uniform Day

PE uniforms can be worn on Tuesday for Kiwi Hoop Activities and Friday for ASB activities.



We are rearing to go and looking forward to an exciting year.

Ngā mihi nui and God bless you.

Kaye Gillies
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: Hazel, Theodore, Elena-Jin

Week 2: Nova, Lucas, Hail

Subway

Subway is still available to order on Wednesdays in 2019, starting from next Wednesday 13 February 2019.

2018 Invoices

Class Sets, Mathletics, Bibles, Technicraft, PE, etc
The total amount to be charged for **Class Sets and Mathletics Licences** for 2019 has yet to be determined, however these will be completed and invoices sent out in the next few weeks.

The cost of **Bibles** for students moving up into Year 3 and new students once known, will be invoiced on.

Technicraft – Technicraft for Yrs 7 & 8 will start next week at EBIS on a Thursday afternoon. The cost, once known, will be invoiced on.

PE – In Term 1 the school will be doing Kiwi Hoop on Tuesday mornings and going to ASB on Friday afternoons. The cost of both of these activities will be invoiced on once known.

Voluntary Donation

The school's annual Voluntary Donation for 2018 remains the same as previous years at \$70 per student per year. These will be sent out at the same time as the Class sets.

Music Lessons

Registration forms for piano lessons need to be filled out and returned to the School Office by **Thursday 7 February** please. Piano lessons will take place on a Friday this year, with lessons starting this Friday 8 February.

SCHOOL DIARY	
Every Monday	Principal's Assembly, 2:30pm
Every Tuesday	Robotics in Kauri Class
Every Tues/Thurs	Wheels Day
Every Wednesday	Subway ordered lunch (optional)
Every Wednesday	Prayer Group, Hall, 2:20pm
Every Thursday	Robotics in Totara Class
Every Thursday	Technicraft (Yrs 7-8)
Every Friday	Music Lessons, 9:30am - 12pm
Every Sunday	10am Gateway Baptist Church - All Welcome
February	
Monday 4	First day of school - Term 1 2018
Tuesday 5	Kiwi Hoop a.m.
Thursday 7	Global Play Day
Friday 8	Piano Lessons start for 2019
Friday 8	PE @ ASB p.m.
Tuesday 12	Boosterix Information for Y7's 9:15am
Tuesday 12	Kiwi Hoop a.m.
Wednesday 13	Subway starts for 2019
Thursday 14	Technicraft starts (Yrs 7-8)
Monday 18	BoT Mtg, 6:30pm, Staffroom
Tuesday 19	Kiwi Hoop a.m.
Thursday 21	Vison/Hearing Testing for Y1 & Y7 9:30am
Friday 22	Mufti Day - gold coin donation
Friday 22	Kauri - Library Visit 11am
Friday 22	PE @ ASB p.m.
Sunday 24	School Church Service, 10am at Gateway
Tuesday 26	Kiwi Hoop a.m.
Wednesday 27	EZ Cricket (Jnrs)
March	
Friday 1	PE @ ASB p.m.
Sunday 3	Newtown Festival
Tuesday 5	Kiwi Hoop a.m.
Wednesday 6	EZ Cricket (Snrs)
Friday 8	Yr 7 Boosterix Immunisation
Friday 8	PE @ ASB p.m.
Tuesday 12	Kiwi Hoop a.m.
Friday 15	PE @ ASB p.m.
Monday 18	BoT Mtg, 6:30pm, Staffroom
Tuesday 19	Kiwi Hoop a.m.
Friday 22	Kauri - Library Visit 11am
Friday 22	PE @ ASB p.m.
Tuesday 26	Kiwi Hoop a.m.
Wednesday 27	EZ Futsal (Jnrs)
Friday 29	Mufti Day - gold coin donation
April	
Wednesday 3	EZ Futsal (Snrs)
Friday 5	PE @ ASB p.m.
Friday 12	PE @ ASB p.m.
Friday 12	End of Term 1 (3pm finish)

Skate Back into summer

For families, pre-schoolers, primary & intermediate age kids
 @ Kilbirnie Rec Centre, 101 Kilbirnie Cres, Kilbirnie
Sunday 10 February 2:30-4:30pm

bring: kids push bikes, scooters, skateboards, skates
FREE entry. Skate hire \$3:50. Sorry. NO pedal bikes
 parents are responsible for children at all times

Organised by Gateway Baptist Church, 33 Park Rd, Miramar | gatewaybaptist.org.nz | ph 022 401 5720
 Children, Youth & Families Pastor: Ben Edwards | families@gatewaybaptist.org.nz

food & drink videos puzzles lego basketball

Powerhouse Kids Club

for kids 4-12 years old
Fridays 3-5pm

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Fridays 3-5pm

(Come straight from school)

8 February
 15 February
 22 February
 1 March
 8 March
 15 March
 22 March
 29 March
 5 April

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

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Wellington Music Centre

Hours: 9am - 1pm (Saturdays within school term)

At: Island Bay School
 Thames Street, Island Bay

Fee: Tuition

1 Child	\$130 p.a.
Additional Child	\$100 p.a. per child
Extra classes	\$70 p.a. per child
Instrumental rental	from \$10 - \$150 p.a.

Percussion \$40 p.a.
 Keyboard \$60 p.a.

CASH OR CHEQUE ONLY - NO EFTPOS

www.facebook.com/wellington.musiccentre

Enquiries: Wellington Music Centre
 Phone 027 489 7979

Saturday Morning Music Classes

for Primary and Intermediate School Age Children

WELLINGTON MUSIC CENTRE
 Te Putehi Puoro o te Whanga-nui-a-terā

Wellington Music Centre

Offers students the opportunity to learn and play in a group situation.

All our tutors are experienced, professional music teachers and performers committed to enhancing children's musical skill, enjoyment and appreciation.

The school aims to meet the musical needs of all children including those with special needs.

Students can begin with a pre-instrumental class, or start right away on the instrument of their choice (subject to suitability for their age).

In addition, they may like to participate in the "all-comers" choir, and more advanced violin, cello and recorder players may elect to join an ensemble.

Classes available

Pre-instrumental	Percussion
Recorder	Ukulele
Flute	Harp
Clarinet	Guitar
Saxophone	Violin
Trumpet	Cello
Trombone	Keyboard
Theory	Choir

Recorder Ensemble
 String Group
 Roosters Wind Band

Most instruments can be hired from the centre at very reasonable rates.

FUN. FRIENDSHIP. FITNESS. CULTURE. SKILL.

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IS FOR EVERYONE!

Beginners classes now available in
 Kilbirnie on Tuesdays, Karori on Wednesdays
 & Tawa on Saturdays

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