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Character, Competence, Community

Term 2 Theme: God is calling us to walk with him.
Values: Caring, Kindness, Loyalty
Habit of the Mind: Managing Impulsivity, Remaining open to continuous learning
Key Competency: Managing Self, Understanding language, symbols, text

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

Kia Ora Whānau and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 2. We are looking forward to another exciting term.



Welcome to Zinnia. May God bless you Zinnia as you grow and learn at Miramar Christian School.

Psalm 127 - A Song of Ascents. Of Solomon

1 Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labour in vain...

3 Behold, **children are a heritage from the Lord**, the fruit of the womb a reward.

Prayer

We believe that our children are a heritage from the LORD and the work of our school multiplies when covered in prayer. We desire to bless our students in multiple ways and therefore encourage you to join with us to pray, for all those in Miramar Christian School Community. At the bottom of this newsletter are some prayer requests and names of students/families that we invite you to also pray for.

APT (Active Parents & Teachers)

Later in the term we will be looking for a group of passionate parents who seek to enhance the culture of the school community through mutual caring and practical support. Please keep your eye out for opportunities to be involved.

Sports

This term physical education consists of Energize, fitness, and swimming.

Energize: All students will have a nutrition lesson and sports lesson with Patrick. Kauri class is going to be trained to lead sports activities through the (Physical Activity Leaders Programme (PALS).

Fitness – All students will have daily fitness. Some of the fitness sessions will be led by Kauri students.

Swimming- We **were** booked for lessons on Mondays 1:50-2:50pm. However, we have been contacted by our swimming provider to say they are currently experiencing staffing difficulties and **may need to change our swimming day**. Therefore swimming lessons will not be starting till Week 3. We will use Skool Loop to keep you up to date with details as they come to hand.

Assemblies

Assemblies will continue on Monday afternoon at 2:15pm while we wait for confirmation of a swimming time. Assembly time may be changed when swimming times are confirmed.

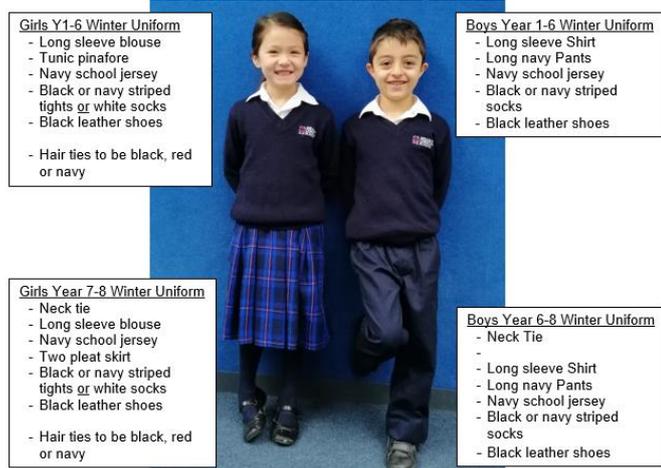
Leadership in Kauri Class

This year one of our Annual goals is to "Provide leadership opportunities for senior school." This is happening for Kauri students through a number of ways, e.g. leadership opportunities around the school including through School Council, leading assemblies, etc. Students are also being developed as leaders through the Energize "Physical Activity Leaders Programme" (PALS) and attending a National Young Leaders Day (NYLD). These programmes are well spoken of.

PALS is sponsored by the Heart foundation and is free to schools. You may like to check out links about NYLD https://www.nyldnz.org/events/wellington_primaryintermediate/. The NYLD day is quite expensive. Kauri is looking for ways to fundraise to pay for the NYLD. Please support them in achieving their fund-raising goal.

Uniform

We have now moved into Winter, so it is a good time to remind you about our winter uniform. You can see the students in the photo below wearing correct uniform.



If you have any questions, please see either Betsy or myself.

Lockdown Drill

Last term Police visited all schools to discuss lockdown procedures. They are very happy with the procedures we have in place. You can find these displayed on the walls of each class and foyer. Now that sufficient time has passed from the Christchurch shootings we will go ahead with a lockdown drill in week 3.

Police also wanted us to advise whānau/parents of their responsibility in a lockdown. In a lockdown we request that parents stay away from the school, even if it is after 3pm. This allows all students to stay as safe as possible. When an "All clear" message is sent by staff or police, then and only then it is time to collect your child/ren. We intend using the Skool Loop app as our communication tool should we experience such an event. Please advise us if you have not got Skool Loop yet so we know who else we need to contact.

Let Us Know

We value each of your children highly and want to provide for them a high-quality education. We welcome your feedback. Please see your class teacher if there is something we can do better. If you are not satisfied after talking with your child's teacher, please come and see either Betsy (our SENCO and Deputy Principal) or myself.

Prayer Points Term 1

Thank God:

- For a fantastic Term 1 including new learning opportunities for students - Futsal, Christian Interschool Sports Day.
- For the building of a new and committed staff team.
- For the blessing that comes from those who support the school in practical ways.
- For holidays and times of celebration that refresh students and staff.

Please pray:

- Our school would be built up on a foundation of prayer.
- New people would step forward to support the school and APT.

- The students settle back into learning and have a very productive term where they learn a lot. Also, that students would deepen their knowledge of our faith and build positive relationships.
 - We would build positive relationships with people at preschool centres and the written information encourages those who will benefit from our school to make contact
 - For new families to come and join us.
- Thank you for your commitment and prayers.

May God bless you with joy and enthusiasm for His work.

Nga mihi nui
Kaye Gillies
 Principal

Prayer Requests for Week 1 and 2

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, Divya, Dandi

Week 2: Zinnia, Raiden, Chirag

2019 Invoices

Invoices for fees are now **OVERDUE**. There are 7 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 2018 through to 31 March 2019 was sent home with your child on 8 April 2019. 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.

SCHOOL DIARY	
Every Tues/Thur	Wheels Day / Wear PE Uniform
Every Wed	Subway ordered lunch (optional)
Every Thurs	Technicraft (Yrs 7-8)
Every Fri	Music Lessons a.m.
Every Sun	10am Gateway Baptist Church - all welcome
April	
Mon 29 Apr	Prayer Group, Hall, 9am
Mon 29 Apr	Term 2 starts 9am
Mon 29 Apr	Principals Assembly 2:15pm
Mon 29 Apr	Kauri Class - PALS with Paddy
May	
Mon 6 May	Principals Assembly 2:15pm
Mon 6 May	Prayer Group, Hall, 9am
Thur 9 May	Kauri Class - PALS with Paddy
Thur 9 May	Whole School - Nutrition with Paddy

Faith and Adolescence Tour - Tues 14 May 2019

The Church in NZ has struggled to 'keep our Teens connected to Faith' for a long time now. This tour will speak into this challenge with hope and encouragement for parents, pastors, youth workers, and to teenagers themselves. The keynote speaker will be Dr Crystal Kirgiss who is a published author and respected speaker on this subject.

Parents Seminar

Time: 7pm-9pm

Venue: Lifeswitch, 3 Reynolds Bach Dr,
Stokes Valley, Lower Hutt 5019

Cost: \$5 (cash/eftpos) (door sales only)

Topic: The Wonder Years

- Seeing our teens as "a wonder to behold" rather than "a problem to be solved" or "a stage to survive."
- Understanding cultural pressures, neurological development, and a theology of adolescence can reshape our view of parenting teens — which is a sacred task."

Introducing Big Brothers Big Sisters of Wellington

A new community programme, **Big Brothers Big Sisters Wellington**, has recently launched in Wellington. We'd love to share with you a little more about this wonderful programme for children!

Big Brothers Big Sisters is New Zealand's largest mentoring programme. **They provide volunteer mentors ("Big Brothers" and "Big Sisters") for any young person who needs one between the ages of 6 & 12.**

Big Brothers Big Sisters volunteers, or "mentors", meet with the young person they are matched with for one to four hours each week, for at least one year.

They will share everyday moments like cooking a meal, playing a game, or walking on the beach. This lets the child know they have a special friend.

If you are interested in learning more about Big Brothers Big Sisters, please contact Hannah, their Programme Coordinator, at: hannah@bbbs.nz or 020-417-52788. You can also visit their website at: <http://bigbrothersbigsisters.org.nz/Wellington.html>.

Volunteer for the Heart Foundation at the Gazeley Volkswagen Wellington Marathon 2019

The Heart Foundation is the official charity partner for the Wellington Marathon again for 2019. As part of this partnership we provide volunteers to work at the event, to raise money for the Heart Foundation Wellington Branch. We would love to have you join our volunteer team for this event. For 2019 we have the following opportunities:

Sunday 23 June: Bag Packing, Westpac Stadium

We will be packing the goodies bags given to all runners at the finish line

Shift 1: 9.00am – 1.00pm

Shift 2: 9.30am – 1.30pm

Saturday 29 June: Race Registration, Gazeley

Volkswagen, Kent Terrace, Wellington

We will be registering all runners ahead of race day and handing out numbers. This role requires a high level of concentration and accuracy!

Full Day: 8.30am – 6.00pm includes lunch provided

Half Day: 8.30am – 1.30pm

Half Day: 1.00pm – 6.00pm

Sunday 30 June: Event Day, Westpac Stadium

Jobs are a mixture of working in the recovery area (handing out drinks/fruit etc after the finish line, general support etc) and bag check area

Shift 1: 6.00am – 12.00pm

Shift 2: 7.00am – 1.00pm

Shift 3: 8.00am – 2.00pm

Shift 4: 9.00am – 3.00pm

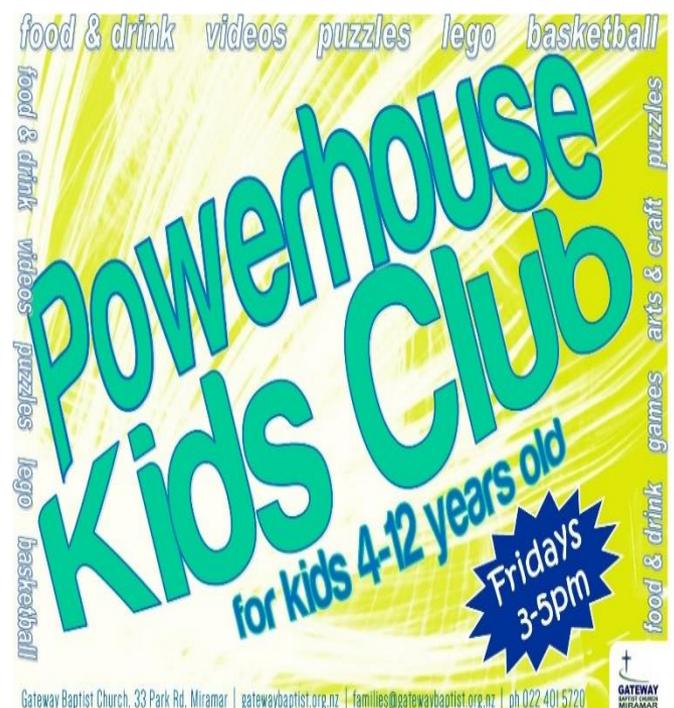
For more information and to sign up go to:

<https://www.heartfoundation.org.nz/get-involved/fundraising/wellington-marathon/volunteer-registration-wellington>

Wellington Harrier Athletic Club

Wellington Harrier Athletic Club offers cross country training for primary and intermediate school children. Our club days are Saturdays and we meet at the Wellington Harrier Club rooms on Alexandre Road Mount Victoria at 2 pm.

For more information please contact Julie Richards - juliemaerdy@yahoo.co.uk 0212959026



food & drink videos puzzles lego basketball

Powerhouse Kids Club

for kids 4-12 years old

Fridays 3-5pm

food & drink videos puzzles lego basketball

food & drink games arts & craft puzzles

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GATEWAY BAPTIST CHURCH MIRAMAR



Fridays 3-5pm
(come straight from school)

10 May
17 May
24 May

NO club on 31 May
(Queen's Birthday weekend)

7 June
14 June
21 June
28 June

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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GATEWAY BAPTIST CHURCH MIRAMAR

Learn English
free
conversation
class

Classes run during the school term

Tuesdays 1:30 – 2:30pm
Reading group: 1pm - 1:30pm

All welcome

Gateway Baptist Church, Miramar
For more information ring Margaret on 388 1094
or the church office

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Family Space Playgroup Coordinator Wanted

The Family Space is seeking an **outgoing Playgroup Coordinator** to facilitate the smooth running of 3 playgroups each week (Monday, Tuesday & Thursday mornings) and to manage basic administrative & financial tasks. The role would suit someone who loves working in a Christian environment with pre-school children and communicates well with parents & caregivers from all backgrounds.

This position is part-time (14 hours/week) and begins as soon as possible.

Contact Phil if you're interested to receive the Job Description, Statement of Faith and Application form for this role.

All CV's (with 2 current referees) AND completed application forms to be sent to:

pastor@gatewaybaptist.org.nz

Phil Coates: 021 236 8139
(Family Space Trust Chairperson)

Permanent Position Vacant: Please Apply