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PE gear, with a **drink bottle** and their **sunhat**. You are most welcome to join us. It would be helpful to **send a spare set of clothes (including another set of shoes)** for your child in case they get wet or muddy during athletics.

Newsletter No 15

Tuesday 27 October 2020

Character, Excellence, Community

Term 4 Theme: God is Pure and Holy
Values: Security, Respect, Care
Threads: Celebrating Life,
Expressing Ourselves in Words,
Taking Responsibility
Key Competencies: Managing Self, Using Language

Our Mission Statement:

For each learner the school community will provide quality learning opportunities that encourage Christian perspectives and affirm Biblical principles.

Memory Verses for 2020

"Set your heart on God and reach out to Him".

(Job 11v13)

"... 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbour as yourself'."

(Luke 10v27)

Principal's Pen

Kia ora Koutou,

I trust, with the addition of Labour Day to your weekend, you have had a good break. [Labour day](#) commemorates the struggle for an eight-hour working day. It was first celebrated in New Zealand on 28 October 1890. Balancing our lives by taking regular times of rest is recommended in [scripture](#).

So far this term we have visited Parliament, attended the "Chilled Out" concert, begun swimming lessons, participated in the national "Shake Out" and enjoyed cooking with the Heart Foundation. For photos of these activities head over to the [Miramar Christian School Facebook page](#).

This week is looking exciting too. We have school photos, swimming, athletics, Constable Aaron Dann supporting learning about the "Keeping Ourselves Safe" unit, Dean from "Dance Curriculum" taking a demo lesson and Mufti Day. Friday is particularly exciting.

Sunhats

While the weather is not looking like summer today, the sun will again shine. In Term 1 and Term 4 students are required to wear sunhats outside. Please check your child has a sunhat.

Athletics

This will be held on **Wednesday 28 October** at 11:30am at Miramar Park. Thursday 29 October is our postponement date. At this point the weather is looking good for our Athletics event. Please send your child in

Friday 30 October- An exciting day

Friday is **Mufti Day**. Students wearing mufti are to bring a gold coin to raise money for Kakanika, our World Vision student.

Year 4-8 will have the first session of the **Heart Foundation Leadership Programme**.

In the afternoon each class will have a session with **Constable Aaron Dann** and then **Dean** from "Dance Curriculum".

Teachers Only Day – 9 November

Teachers Only Days are valuable for teaching staff. This Teachers Only Day, teachers will be reviewing effective strategies for teaching in multilevel classes. **Please mark in your diary that there will be no school for children on Monday 9 November 2020.**

Community Fair

Saturday 7 November 2020

11.00 am- 2.00 pm

This is an event not to be missed. So far, we have a re-enactment group coming with armour, an archery group, bouncy castle, soccer cage, small ride-on's for pre-schoolers and some stalls. The aim of this event is primarily to give back to the community and to raise people's awareness of our school. There is also the opportunity to raise funds for our school. We will be running a BBQ and cake stall and helping out as we can. This event will be a great way for us all to come together.

Ben Edwards from Gateway is co-ordinating the Community Fair with support from Gateway parishioners. Clearly, he also needs our support. There are many things to be done. Some are on Friday after school, some are before the event begins, a lot are during the event and some are with packing down. Consequently, we are **asking all families to commit giving at least three hours** to support this event. Follow this [link](#) to the google doc and fill in how you can help/ fill in the form below to indicate when you could help.

Keeping Kids Safe Online

The local churches are running a "Keeping Kids Safe On-Line" event from 7-9 pm on Wednesday 28 October at Miramar Central Hall. We would like to encourage you to attend this as it dovetails in nicely with our 'Keeping Ourselves Safe' work. Please note this is targeted toward adults and not suitable for children.

Other -

Community Consultation

Thank you to the parents who have already done a consultation interview on their views about the education and our school. If you are keen to be part of

the consultation, please come and make a time with me.

English Language Learning Opportunity

Kiwi Class have contacted our school to let parents know they offer Free English and Employment Support. They run classes that help improve reading, writing, listening and speaking. Free childcare is available for 0-5-year old's in various locations. If this sounds like something you would find helpful contact Elizabeth Young on 04 384 3693; 021,02750284 or Elizabeth.young@kiwiclass.org.nz.

Prayer

Praise

- For the opportunity to provide Christian schooling in Wellington.
- For the increased number of enquiries.
- For answers to prayers.
- For our community being able to work with Gateway Baptist on the Community Fair.
- For volunteers for the Community Fair.

Prayer

- That God will help students to value and learn the ways they can keep themselves safe.
- That we, staff and whānau, would recognise teachable moments that can impact lives. For God's wisdom, anointing and blessing on the work of our Principal, teaching staff, office manager and children.
- That current and future enquiries would turn into enrolments.
- Those who wish to come to Miramar Christian School would find suitable accommodation within proximity of the school.
- That God would continue to make Miramar Christian School visible in the community.
- For many people to hear about and be drawn to the Community Fair – 7 November 2020.
- For more volunteers to help at the Community Fair.
- That we as Miramar Christian School community would be able to bless others through the "Community Fair."

Prayer Students

- For our prayer students and their families: -
Week 3: Timothy, Amia-Rose, Divya
Week 4: Xander, Zeanelle, Raiden

I thank you for your on-going support. If you have any questions I can help with, please contact me (Mrs Kaye Gillies) on 021 293 5390.

Shalom and Ngā Mihi
Kaye Gillies
 Principal



Spring lunchbox

Sandwich on wholemeal bread:
Tuna, avocado, lettuce and mayo

+ Choose one or more from **each** group to have on the side:



Carrot and/or snow peas



Tangelo and/or kiwifruit



Cheese and/or yoghurt



Grainy crackers and/or hummus



SCHOOL DIARY	
Every Mon	Assembly
Every Wed	Subway ordered lunch (optional)
Every Thur/Fri	Wheels Day / Wear PE Uniform
Every Thurs	Technicraft (Yrs 7-8)
Every Fri	Music Lessons, 8:30am-10:45am
Every Sun	10am Gateway Baptist – all welcome
OCT	
Tues 27 Oct	School Photos a.m.
Tues 27 Oct	Swimming 2pm
Tues 27 Oct	BoT Mtg, 6:30pm, Room 4
Wed 28 Oct	School Athletics, Miramar Park, 11:30am
Thurs 29 Oct	School Athletics Postponement Date
Fri 30 Oct	Mufti Day – bring a gold coin donation
Fri 30 Oct	Heart Foundation – Leadership Yr4-8
Fri 30 Oct	Dance Curriculum p.m.
Fri 30 Oct	Constable Aaron Dann visiting p.m.
NOV	
Mon 2 Nov	Author visit a.m.
Mon 2 Nov	Sharing Assembly 2:30pm
Tues 3 Nov	Swimming 2pm
Thurs 5 Nov	Heart Foundation – Leadership Yr4-8
Fri 6 Nov	Begin Community Fair set up
Sat 7 Nov	Community Fair 11am-2pm
Mon 9 Nov	TEACHER ONLY DAY – School Closed
Thurs 10 Nov	Swimming 2pm
Fri 13 Nov	Heart Foundation – Leadership Yr4-8
Fri 13 Nov	Heart Foundation – Maori Games
Fri 13 Nov	Yr4-8 Library Visit
Mon 16 Nov	Sharing Assembly 2:30pm
Tues 17 Nov	Swimming 2pm
Thurs 19 Nov	MCS Speech Finals
Mon 23 Nov	BoT Mtg, 6:30pm, Room 4
Tues 24 Nov	Swimming 2pm
Fri 27 Nov	Mufti Day – bring a gold coin donation
Mon 30 Nov	Sharing Assembly 2:30pm
DEC	
Tues 1 Dec	Swimming 2pm
Wed 2 Dec	EZ Miniball Tournament
Thurs 3 Dec	Yr8 Leavers Dinner
Mon 7 Dec	Assembly 2:30pm
Mon 7 Dec	Bot Mtg, 6:30pm, Room 4
Tues 8 Dec	MCS Volunteers Morning Tea
Wed 9 Dec	Prizegiving Practice 9am @ Gateway Baptist
Wed 9 Dec	Prizegiving, 6pm @ Gateway Baptist
Mon 14 Dec	MCS Beach Trip
Mon 14 Dec	Reports sent home

Parenting Course

INITIATING INDEPENDENCE – Parenting 6 to 12-year olds

Course starting 28 October to 2 December 2020. 2 hours per week for 6 weeks. Wednesday 7 pm – 9 pm. Small group classes (max. 12 people) in Parent Help offices: **Level 4, 175 Victoria Street, Wellington.**

- Learn skills to communicate with and support your child

- Understand your child's behaviour
- Feel empowered to solve behavioural issues

Register here <https://www.parenthelp.org.nz/register-for-parenting-course/>

Cost of course: 1 Participant \$50, 2 Participants \$70

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Te Puna Ora O Ngā Matamoe Launch Evening

You are invited to an evening event to hear more about an exciting new community initiative that will begin in 2021 for inspiring coders, engineers and inventors from any school in Years 5-13, Te Puna Ora O Ngā Matamoe (Matamoe Hub).

Te Puna Ora O Ngā Matamoe will provide a place where any students can come together to build, code and collaborate under the guidance of tutors. We have been able to make this available to the community through the generous support of FNZ and Scots Collegian Adrian Durham. These clubs and courses will utilise Scots College's Creative and Digital Technology facilities outside of school hours.

When: Wednesday 4 November 6-7pm

Where: Matamoe Hub, Scots College

RSVP by Sunday 1 November by emailing Rebecca Burton burtonr@scotscollege.school.nz.

Please join us to hear more on Te Puna Ora O Ngā Matamoe and how your students could benefit from the facilities. During the evening students will be demonstrating their projects and the possibilities available to these young creators.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Ngā mihi,

Graeme Yule

Headmaster, Scots College

An amazing FREE Art event for Families



THE
INSPIRATION
GARDEN

The Inspiration Garden is Wellington's newest, most inspirational FREE art event for all ages, curated with top Wellington designers & artists taking you behind the scenes of their passion, demonstrating their creative process & journey. Find stunning Christmas gifts & watch how

ceramics, jewellery, paintings, felt, leather products, sculptures & many other artworks are made.

Come along to experience the creative magic & leave with beautiful products along with a new knowledge and understanding of art/design that will spark your curiosity for creation.

When: Saturday 28 November 2020

Time: 10am till 4pm

Where: Petone Baptist Church.

Cost: FREE!

Perfect for all ages, children & families.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/338296837252499/>

A link to the Promotional Video:

<https://youtu.be/3Xj1VAXav4A>

Experienced Singing/Performance Teacher available for individual lessons.

\$35 for a 35-minute lesson. \$50 for a 60-minute lesson.

Casual for fun or competitive training, great for confidence/self-esteem/personality development. Based in Te Aro in a lovely comfortable space. Weekdays or Weekend slots available.

Jazz/Pop/Musical Theatre. For all ages but specialises in youth. Check out vocal and performance lessons with Jackie Fee on Facebook for further info and videos! Free consultation - whanau welcome to observe :) Open to have a korero about payment options.

0220976101- jacquiefee@gmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/Jacquiefeesinging>

BigAir Gymsports Owhiro Bay Wellington

Is your child wanting to learn how to handstand, cartwheel or flip? Do you want them to feel strong and confident, and learn in a safe and encouraging environment? Come to Bigair! Our experienced coaches run classes such as **Gymnastics, Tumbling, Trampoline, Parkour** and **Cheerleading!** Our classes support children of all skill levels to learn and develop new skills and abilities, improving their fitness and co-ordination, and boosting self-esteem! **BOOK NOW for TERM 4!**

Bigair Gym Owhiro Bay: 04 3838779 or

wgtn@bigairgym.co.nz

Wellington Diving Club turns 30 – Star Wars meets springboard diving at Kilbirnie Pool

Wellington Diving Club is turning 30 and to celebrate we're putting on a spectacular display & show that will be hugely entertaining!

Saturday, 14th November – 11.00am

Free entry **plus** vouchers for all spectators for a free Sunday have-a-go session.

Trial Lessons also available throughout Term4 – Tues, Wed, Thurs (4pm) or Saturday 10.15am. T&C's apply.

For more information please call Barbara on 027 485 8888 or <https://wellingtondiving.org.nz/contact>

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PARTICIPANTS NEEDED

Are you a parent/caregiver to a preschool/school-age child?

Do you speak another language that is not English, Te Reo Māori, or New Zealand Sign Language (NZSL)?

Were you born overseas?

If you answer **YES** to these questions, we would like to invite you to participate in our study of parent/caregiver perspectives on their children's language development.

What is required from you?
10-13 minutes of your time to complete an online survey.

This survey is completely anonymous and the data will be kept confidential.

Survey link:
<http://bit.ly/nzparentsurvey>

SCAN THIS QR CODE

Please contact Rachel Zakaria (rpz12@uclive.ac.nz) for any questions about this study

THIRTY YEARS OF
**WELLINGTON
DIVING
CLUB**

SHOW & DISPLAY
NOVEMBER 14th, 11am
WELLINGTON REGIONAL
AQUATIC CENTRE