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## Newsletter No 16

### Monday 1 November 2021

Character, Excellence, Community

**Term 4 Theme:** God is With Provider.  
**Threads:** Caretaking the earth,  
environmental awareness,  
pondering creation,  
transforming thinking  
**Key Competencies:** Managing self, Thinking

#### 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 2021

"In Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." Roman 12:5

#### Principal's Pen

Kia ora Whānau

As I was out on a recent walk, I noticed and was thankful for the carpet of pink petals, kereru flying overhead and beautiful native bush. While our country is increasingly affected by Delta, God's mercies are continue to be new every morning.

#### New APT Leader!

We are very excited to announce Elma Behring is our new APT leader. Thank you for stepping up to do this role Elma, it's much appreciated, and we look forward to working with you.

#### Powerhouse Fun Day (School/Church Event) 13 November 2021 – 10:30am – 12:30pm (followed by a Movie 12:45pm – (2pm)

This is an event not to be missed. Ben Edwards, the Youth Pastor at Gateway Baptist, is working his magic once again. Please mark this date on the calendar in anticipation of something special for our tamariki. We would love you to be involved. There are lots of opportunities to help. We are hoping for a few helpers on Friday 12 Nov and at least 10 helpers for Saturday 13 November.

If you have some exciting dress-ups that would make great photo opportunities, we would love to be able to borrow these for the day.

If you can help, please contact Elma on 021 164 8752. Please support Ben and Elma as they seek parent helpers to assist. An invitation will be coming home with this newsletter.

#### Swimming

Students are having their first swimming lesson today. Thank you to all whanau who have stepped forward to help with transport, it's really appreciated.

#### Covid-19 Public Health Order

As you are no doubt aware, at 11.59pm on Monday 25 October the COVID-19 Public Health Response Order for Mandatory Vaccinations for Education came into effect.

**This means everyone who works or volunteers for a school who may have contact with ākonga or will be present at a time when ākonga are also present, must have had a first dose of the Covid-19 vaccine by 15 November and be fully vaccinated by 1 January 2022.**

The vaccination requirements apply wherever in person schooling occurs, such as on the school site, but also at school camps, swimming pools, museums, or where other education outside the classroom (EOTC) programmes take place.

This means we are only allowed to allow people to help at school events with children if they have had at least their first dose by 16 November and are fully vaccinated by 1 January 2022. This is particularly relevant for our swimming volunteers.

If you wish to be involved as a helper in any events after 16 November 2021, please provide us with evidence of your vaccination/s before this date. You can get evidence of your vaccination through <https://app.covid19.health.nz>.

When school starts next year any school helpers will need to show evidence you were fully vaccinated by 1 January 2022. We will store your information privately in our school database. Please see our attached Privacy Statement.

Being vaccinated will help protect you and your tamariki, our ākonga.

## 2022 Attendance Dues

Each year Peniel Trust reviews the Attendance Dues. This is adjusted for inflation and to assist in covering property costs. The new attendance dues amounts are listed below detailing the new cost and payment options, which include a 10% discount for early payment in full and another 10% discount for two or more students at the school.

	Option A	Option B	Option B
Students	Payment for full year by 28 Feb	1 payment at the start of each term	Annual amount paid in option B
1 Student	\$648	\$180	\$720
2 Students	\$1,152	\$324	\$1,296
3 Students	\$1,728	\$486	\$1,944
4 Students	\$2,304	\$648	\$2,592

## Formal School Photos – TOMORROW (Tues 2 Nov)

Photos will be taken tomorrow. If you are having a sibling photo, please by at school by 8.45.

## School Assemblies - moved to Tuesdays at 2:30pm during the swimming season

During Covid-19 Alert Level 2 you are welcome to attend assemblies via Google meet. Due to privacy recommendations, we are asking those who wish to join the assembly to contact me to request a link.

## School Prizegiving – Tuesday 7 December 2021

We want to give you a heads up that this will look different to other prizegiving events. To allow for Covid-19 Alert Level 2 procedures (including distancing in large groups), there will be procedures including attending via Zoom in place. More information will follow in the next newsletters.

## Prayer points: -

### Thank God:

- **For our new APT leader**
- For all the good things God has planned for us.
- For exciting times ahead as we look forward to contributing to the 50-year plan of Christian schooling in Wellington.

### Please pray:

- For God's guidance, wisdom, anointing, and protection on the work of the Peniel Trust and Mark Larsen as they work on the new vision for Christian education in Wellington.
- For a settled term for our ākongā.
- For God's wisdom and blessing on the School Board, all staff, whānau, and ākongā as they complete the strategic plan for the next few years. May our plan be aligned with God's will.
- That Miramar Christian School would be a blessing to the community and wider Wellington.

- For the safety of all our staff, ākongā, and whānau as the country moves from a Covid-19 elimination strategy to a Covid-19 management strategy.
- For a smooth transition for our school community implementing the MoE mandated vaccination status register.
- For our prayer ākongā and their whānau: -  
**Week 3:** Dylan, Zephaniah, Daniel, Amia-Rose  
**Week 4:** Miana, Rebecca, Zeanelle, Ruth

I thank you for your on-going commitment, support, and prayers. If we can help you with questions or concerns relating to your tamariki's education, please see your tamariki's class teacher or contact me (Kaye Gillies) on 021 293 5390. If you need privacy and/or a longer conversation, please book a time to talk with your classroom teacher or myself. We are here for you.

Shalom and Ngā Mihi

**Kaye Gillies**  
Principal

# SCHOOL DIARY

<b>Every Tues</b>	<b>Assembly 2:30pm</b>
<b>Every Wed</b>	<b>Subway ordered lunch (optional)</b>
<b>Every Mon/Fri</b>	<b>Wheels Day / Wear PE Uniform</b>
<b>Every Thurs</b>	<b>Technology (Yrs 7-8) 8:50am pick up</b>
<b>Every Fri</b>	<b>Wheels Day / Wear PE Uniform Paid Music Lessons, 8:30am-10:45am</b>
<b>Every Sun</b>	<b>10am Gateway Baptist – all welcome</b>
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
Mon 1 Nov	Swimming Lessons start p.m.
Tues 2 Nov	School Photos 9am (Siblings 8:45am)
Tues 2 Nov	Assembly 2:30pm
Thurs 4 Nov	<b>8:50am</b> Technology Bus (Y7/8)
Thurs 4 Nov	Kapa Haka p.m.
Fri 5 Nov	Poi work with the Heart Foundation
Mon 8 Nov	Swimming Lessons start p.m.
Tues 9 Nov	SHARED Assembly 2:30pm
Wed 10 Nov	School Athletics 11:30am – 12:30pm
Thurs 11 Nov	<b>8:50am</b> Technology Bus (Y7/8)
Thurs 11 Nov	Kapa Haka p.m.
Fri 12 Nov	Poi work with the Heart Foundation
Sat 13 Nov	Powerhouse Fun Day (School/Church combined event) 10:30am – 12:30pm (followed by a Movie 12:45pm – (2pm)
Mon 15 Nov	Swimming p.m.
Mon 15 Nov	BoT, 6:30pm, Room 3
Tues 16 Nov	SHARED Assembly 2:30pm
Wed 17 Nov	Rongotai Orientation Day Y8 Boys (all day)
Thurs 18 Nov	<b>8:50am</b> Technology Bus (Y7/8)
Thurs 18 Nov	Class Speeches
Thurs 18 Nov	Kapa Haka p.m.

Mon 22 Nov	Swimming p.m.
Tues 23 Nov	Speech Finals a.m.
Thurs 25 Nov	<b>8:50am</b> Technology Bus (Y7/8)
Thurs 25 Nov	Kapa Haka p.m.
Fri 26 Nov	Be Yourself (Mufti) Day <i>(bring a gold coin donation)</i>
Fri 26 Nov	Y4-8 Miramar Library Visit 11:30am <i>(only if in Covid-19 Level 1)</i>
Mon 29 Nov	Swimming p.m.
Tues 30 Nov	Robotics Competition a.m.
Tues 30 Nov	Assembly p.m.
<b>DECEMBER</b>	
Wed 1 Dec	Y8 Graduation Assembly 12pm <i>(with a shared lunch afterwards)</i>
Thurs 2 Dec	<b>8:50am</b> Technology Bus (Y7/8)
Thurs 2 Dec	Kapa Haka p.m.
Fri 3 Dec	Heart Foundation a.m.
Mon 6 Dec	Swimming p.m.
Mon 6 Dec	BoT, 6:30pm, Room 3
Tues 7 Dec	MCS Prizegiving Practice @ Gateway 9am
Tues 7 Dec	Assembly 2:30pm
Tues 7 Dec	MCS Prizegiving @ Gateway 6pm
Wed 8 Dec	School 10am Late start <i>(due to Prizegiving the evening before)</i>
Wed 8 Dec	Volunteers Morning Tea
Wed 8 Dec	School Beach Trip p.m.
Fri 10 Dec	School Reports sent home
Mon 13 Dec	School Beach Trip p.m. <i>(postponement day)</i>
Tues 14 Dec	Last day of Term 4 – school finishes 12pm

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Our school app ensures excellent and reliable communication between our school and parents at all times!

NEVER MISS OUT ON IMPORTANT, INFORMATION AGAIN - DOWNLOAD THE SKOOL LOOP APP TODAY

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Parent Help for Parents and Family Support

**FREE PARENTING HELPLINE**

aggression • jealousy • sibling rivalry  
social difficulties • lying • parenting alone  
separation anxiety • early puberty

... and anything else you're struggling with

PARENTING STRATEGIES  
SUPPORT & REASSURANCE  
EXPERT ADVICE

NO ISSUE IS TOO BIG OR TOO SMALL

HELPLINE | COUNSELLING | WORKSHOPS

**0800 568 856**  
[www.parenthelp.org.nz](http://www.parenthelp.org.nz)

**ELEMENTS**  
RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS

Rhythmic gymnastics is a graceful mixture of dance and sport. It teaches body skills such as leaps, jumps, balances and pivots, and also increases hand-eye coordination through the use of five apparatus: rope, hoop, ball, clubs and ribbon.

Keen to give it a go?  
Email [info@rhythmicgym.nz](mailto:info@rhythmicgym.nz) to arrange a free trial class!  
More info at [www.Rhythmicgym.nz](http://www.Rhythmicgym.nz)

## BIGAIR GYMSPORTS

Does your child love to JUMP, DANCE, TUMBLE and PERFORM? Does your child love trying new challenging but rewarding skills? Then try out cheerleading at BIGAIR GYM! Cheerleading is a high energy sport that is quickly becoming more popular around the world! It is a unique sport, as it encourages individual development (eg. cartwheels, tumbling) as much as team development (eg. stunting, pyramids). Your child will gain confidence and pride as they learn new complex skills and achieve goals, they will also learn to be an essential part of a team as they gain a passion for this amazing sport of Cheerleading.

BIGAIR OWHIRO BAY is offering a **FREE CHEERLEADING** class on Friday 3:30 pm–4:30pm for **ONLY** the remainder of Term 4 for 8yrs + who would love to give

this a go! Please be aware, if your child is already enrolled in a Bigair class, they may only attend this complimentary class in addition to their current Bigair Gym class. If your child is interested and is under 8 yrs, then please also inquire to the office about what classes we offer. Please book your interest by emailing: [wgt@bigairgym.co.nz](mailto:wgt@bigairgym.co.nz) or call the office on 04 383 8779.

### Capital Trout Centre Open Day Sun 7 Nov 2021

Children must have a licence to fish for trout and free licences/tickets are available from Tues 26 Nov 2021 at the following stores.:

#### Capital Fishing, 49 Ghuznee Street (off Cuba Mall)

The Centre is located behind the WCC Administration buildings on the way to the Wellington City Council Southern Landfill, on Landfill Road, Happy Valley, Wellington and is open to the public on specific days. Children do not have to bring any gear as Club members will assist children to catch a trout on fly fishing tackle.

As the Centre is manned and maintained by volunteers, we rely on donations to cover our expenses of purchasing the fish from the hatcheries, fish food and general maintenance.

We are also available for private family bookings.

Contact: Strato 387 7878 (wk) 386 3740 (hm)

Email: [strato.cotsilinis@gmail.com](mailto:strato.cotsilinis@gmail.com)

**YEAH!**

# YEAH! GIRLS

CRICKET, BUT NOT AS YOU KNOW IT

**KILBIRNIE**

SUNDAYS  
10.30-11.30am  
07 NOV - 12 DEC  
Kilbirnie Park  
Ages 9-14

REGISTER AT  
[www.yeahgirls.co.nz](http://www.yeahgirls.co.nz)  
[wellington@yeahgirls.co.nz](mailto:wellington@yeahgirls.co.nz)  
022 517 4361

All abilities and all girls welcome