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Character, Excellence, Community

Term 2 Theme: God is our source
Threads: Pondering God, caretaking earth
Key Competencies: Critical thinking, managing self, relating to others

Our Mission Statement:

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

Memory Verse for 2022

King of the World - Go ahead - sing your new song to the Lord! Let everyone in every language sing him a new song. Don't stop! Keep on singing! Make his name famous! Psalm 96:1

Principal's Pen

Kia ora Whānau

Community is one of our values and we are so pleased to be able to gather as a community at assemblies again. We are looking forward to coming together for more assemblies, cross country races and a community event at the end of the term.

Cross Country



On Tuesday 24 May 2022 we are holding our annual cross-country races at 11am. Ākongā are currently practising for this. We would love you to join us for this event. Please mark this date

on the calendar. If you are able to help, please let Fraser know.

Arriving On Time

While kura starts at 8:55am, it is ideal for ākongā to arrive between 8:30am and 8:50am. This allows ākongā time to sort out their belongings, greet their classmates and (if early enough) time to play before kura. Play equipment is out for ākongā to play with before kura. When ākongā arrive late, they miss this part of the day, and they may miss out on learning. It also interrupts the classroom programme and can affect others' learning.

APT

The APT (Active Parents and Teachers group) would love you to join them. They will be meeting on the following dates: -

25 May - In person
29 June - Online
27 July - In person
31 August - Online
28 September - In person
26 October - Online

APT meetings are scheduled on the **last Wednesday of the month from 6:30-7:30pm** and will alternate between being online and in person in Room 3 at MCS.

If you cannot make every meeting that is fine. They appreciate what you can do. They look forward to seeing you there.

The Play Box

Ākongā were introduced to the Play Box by Tania from Sport New Zealand. They looked at the parts and inspected each part carefully to check they were safe.



Then they were set free to explore the equipment. Concepts of weight, force, sharing, working together and imagination were explored in play sessions. Ākongā are now free to play with The Play Box equipment on Wednesdays at lunchtime.



Kapa Haka

It has been wonderful to have Matua Henare back teaching Kapa Haka. Ākonga have been revising known waiata as well as learning new waiata.

Assemblies

What a joy to have whanau back on site. It was wonderful to have an opportunity for ākonga to share their mahi (work) with whanau. If you missed this, you may wish to check out the video and photos on Facebook.



Assemblies will continue to be held on Mondays at 2:30pm. You are most warmly welcome at all assemblies. We have 2-3 sharing assemblies per term. The next sharing assembly is Monday 30 May. The assemblies in between are shorter gatherings where ākonga focus on the memory verse, receive certificate and notices are given.

Wellington Christian Education Project (WCEP) Update

We thank Mark Larson the Wellington Christian Education Project Manager for continuing mahi (work) on our behalf. More information about the project can be found at their website (<https://www.wcep.nz/>). You can also view an update from Mark Larson on the WCEP Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/WellingtonCEP> Please keep this project in your prayers.

Prayer

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

Prayer points: -

Thank God:

- For being able to gather as a kura community again.
- For new experiences, such as exploring The Play Box.
- For ākonga and whānau health.

- For those who are committed to Christian Education and support us faithfully.
- For God's faithfulness to Miramar Christian School for the last 43 years.

Please pray:

- For ongoing opportunities to gather and a continually increasing sense of community.
- For the health and safety for all in our kura community.
- That Miramar Christian School would be blessed and a blessing to the community.
- That our staff, (teachers, teacher aides, principal and office manager) and whānau (including our ākonga) would during this time know God's direction, wisdom, anointing, protection and blessing on their mahi (work).
- For progress in the mahi (work) of the Wellington Christian Education Trust.
- For our prayer ākonga and their whānau: -
Week 3: Hannah, Abishua, Aadarsh, Jesse
Week 4: Samuel, Xander, Daniel, Amia-Rose

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 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.

Ka nui tēnei

Kaye Gillies

Principal/Tumuaki

SCHOOL DIARY

Every Mon	Assembly 2:30pm (in the hall)
Every Wed	Subway ordered lunch (optional)
Every Tues/Fri	Wheels Day / Wear PE Uniform
Every Thurs	Technology (Yrs 7-8) 8:50am pick up
Every Fri	Wheels Day / Wear PE Uniform Paid Music Lessons, 8:30am-10:45am
Every Sun	10am Gateway Baptist – all welcome
MAY	
Mon 16 May	Assembly p.m.
Fri 20 May	Football Academy p.m.
Mon 23 May	Assembly p.m.
Mon 23 May	BoT, 6:30pm, Staffroom or Room 3
Tue 24 May	MCS Cross Country 11a.m.
Wed 25 May	APT Mtg, 6:30-7:30pm, Room 3
Fri 27 May	Be Yourself (Mufti) Day (bring a gold coin donation)
Fri 27 May	Football Academy p.m.
Mon 30 May	Sharing Assembly p.m.

JUNE	
Wed 1 Jun	EZ Cross Country
Fri 3 Jun	Heart Foundation a.m.
Fri 3 Jun	Football Academy p.m.
Mon 6 Jun	Queen's Birthday – Kura (School) Closed
Wed 8 Jun	EZ Cross Country Postponement Date
Fri 10 Jun	No Piano Lessons
Fri 10 Jun	Heart Foundation a.m.
Fri 10 Jun	Football Academy p.m.
Mon 13 Jun	Assembly p.m.
Fri 17 Jun	Football Academy p.m.
Mon 20 Jun	Assembly p.m.
Mon 20 Jun	BoT, 6:30pm, Staffroom or Room 3



WELLINGTON BRICKSHOW

Amazing LEGO® creations from some of NZ's best builders



4th June
9am - 5pm

5th June
9am - 4pm

\$7 Adult / \$5 Child
EFTPOS Available

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836 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt

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We are fundraising with Entertainment

Support MCS by purchasing your Entertainment Membership today!!

Hop into an egg-cellent Easter with the family and enjoy a bonus eGift card! You will receive limited time Bonus Offers and a **Bonus eGift card** when you purchase your Entertainment Membership and support our fundraiser. Click on the following link to order your Entertainment Membership now

<https://www.entertainmentnz.com/orderbooks/104x302>

*BONUS Gift Card and limited-time offers promotional period: 6pm 1 March 2022 – 11:59pm 15 May 2022.

food & drink videos puzzles lego basketball

Power House

Kids Club

For kids 4-12 years old

Fridays 3-5pm

food & drink videos puzzles lego basketball

Gateway Baptist Church, 33 Park Rd., Miramar | gatewaybaptist.org.nz | families@gatewaybaptist.org.nz | ph 022 401 5720

Fridays 3-5pm
(Come straight from school)

6 May
13 May
20 May
27 May
3 June
10 June
17 June
24 June - No Club (Matariki)
1 July

School Holiday events more information to come!

Hey parents, we're keen for you to stay and join in the Fun!

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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Calling School Families of Refugee and Migrant Background
Want to help your children have the best of NZ Schooling?
Want to know about the NZ Education system?
Come along to 5 workshop starting in 2 weeks.

- Learning outside the classroom: camps, sports, clubs, trips
- Sharing cultures: A day at school
- Supporting your children: Parent-teacher interviews, Time management, Home and school cultures
- \$100 petrol voucher per family for attending all 5 sessions
- Afternoon tea and childrens activities provided
- Safety and Wellbeing: Digital Safety, Bullying/discrimination... who to talk to
- The board: What it does - become a board member

28 May and 4, 11, & 25 June | 12.30pm - 4.30pm
Wellington East Girls College

For information or to register contact Jacqs Jacqueline.wilton@crf.org.nz or 022 457 6839
Limited spaces

ChangeMakers Resettlement Forum

2022 Wellington Marathon - ready for a challenge?

The Heart Foundation are relying on big-hearted people, like you, now more than ever before so we can continue to fund our life-saving mahi (work). That's why, this year, show your big heart by taking part in the Gazley Volkswagen Wellington Marathon on Sunday 27 June 2021 and at the same time, make your support go further by raising life-saving funds to fight New Zealand's single biggest killer - heart disease. Walk, run (or a bit of both) or join with friends...however you decide to take part in the Gazley

Volkswagen Wellington Marathon we'd love to have you join us and help make a difference! It's quick and easy to get started. Simply [register for the event](#) and enter the distance of your choice and then [create your fundraising page](#) and spread the word to your friends and family! We'll be there to support you every step of the way, plus, once your fundraising is underway, you'll receive a Heart Foundation running t-shirt.

Funds raised in the Gazley Volkswagen Wellington Marathon ensure that world-class research is funded, Kiwi cardiologists can undertake specialist training, and that the 170,000 New Zealanders living with heart disease receive the support, information and resources they need to live full lives.

We would be so thrilled to have the support of your kura this year and hope you are able to join with us to help make a difference!

Can't compete?

If you're not planning to run the 2022 Gazley Volkswagen Wellington Marathon this year, how about joining this fun event as a volunteer? You'll be out enjoying the atmosphere and helping with tasks like registrations and support at the finish line. If this is something you'd be keen to know more about or you'd like to register you can find out more here www.heartfoundation.org.nz/get-involved/wellington-marathon-2022

Miramar North Kindergarten

Miramar North Kindergarten has spaces available for tamariki aged 2-5 years, hours are 8:30-2:30 (you can take 2-5 days). Come and visit us and see our fantastic outdoor space.

BIGAIR GYMSPORTS

If your child loves doing Cartwheels, Handstands & Flips, then they will thrive at Bigair Gym! TERM 2 CLASSES ARE STARTING NOW, SO DON'T MISS OUT, BOOK IN TODAY! Bigair Gym classes are excellent for fun, focus and fitness! tamariki learn new skills and develop personal confidence and self-achievement! Strong focus is given to safety and technique, ranging from fundamentals to advanced skills. The structured classes follow a Bigair Badge Programme, which creates focused learning, and allows tamariki to achieve and progress! Classes include **GYMNASTICS, TRAMPOLINING, TUMBLING, FREE RUNNING (thats parkour with flips) & CHEERLEADING!** Inquire about Bigair **BIRTHDAY PARTIES** too!

Its easy to book online at www.bigairgym.co.nz or contact our Bigair Gym office. We would love to hear from you. Bigair Gym Owhiro Bay ph. 383 8779 e. wgt@bigairgym.co.nz

2022 Fun Sticks Registrations Now Open



Wellington Hockey is pleased to announce registrations are open for FUN Sticks! 2022 FUN Sticks will see a focus on individuals foundational movement and motor skill development, helping build a young persons physical literacy, preparing them for sport. Hockey skills will be taught in fun, games based activities.

FUN Sticks is an 8 week hockey programme designed for tamariki aged 5-6 years (kura Year 1 & 2)

- An introduction to hockey with an emphasis on having fun
- An opportunity to develop fundamental skills - running, dodging, striking
- A positive and quality coaching environment
- Full involvement for all participants
- Regular changes of activities to maintain enthusiasm and interest
- A safe environment for all activities
- A FUN Sticks t-shirt
- Equipment required to play hockey (Hockey Stick & Ball provided by WHA to use for the session)
- We encourage whanau to join in with kids if they want!

Where:

- National Hockey Stadium (NHS) Wellington = 10am - 11am - Saturday

Registration information:

Register via: <https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/f0efa4>

The cost for the 8-week programme is \$65.

FUN Sticks starts the weekend of 7th May (first weekend of term 2).

Please Note: There are no postponement days scheduled (excluding the Festival day)

Festival Day:

There will be a festival day held at the National Hockey Stadium on the morning of Saturday 9th July from 10am-11am. All tamariki will be able to play games and activities with players from different HUBS.


For all programme enquires contact Wellington Hockey Community & Development Officer Bjorn Dix - bjorn@wellingtonhockey.org.nz

Ā WHINA MAI I MATARIKI?

Helpers needed for our
Matariki celebrations in
July.

There will be hāngi,
mirimiri, kapa haka...

Contact Hà:
ha@mmcc.org.nz
04 388 1944



ENGLISH CLASSES WITH CHILD CARE

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MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS
FROM 9-11:30AM

- Improve your reading, writing, listening and speaking
- Meet other parents and caregivers
- For adults who do not speak English as a first language.
- Free childcare provided for 0-5 year olds.

TO ENROL:
Reach out to KiwiClass at
04 384 3693
office@kiwiclass.org.nz
Or, come to class anytime!

KiwiClass.org.nz