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visit) and we are currently seeking four nominations for our School Board Election.

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Monday 8 August 2022

Character, Excellence, Community

Term 3 Theme: God is forgiving
Threads: Pondering God, caretaking earth, reflecting creativity
Key Competencies: Critical thinking, managing self, relating to others

Our Mission Statement:

For each learner the kura (school) 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

Last week ākonga began learning the first part of the Shema.

⁴Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.^[a] ⁵Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. ⁷Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up" Deuteronomy 6:4-7 (New International Version)

This is a scripture Jesus would have been very familiar with and prompts us that we are invited to have a passion for God. We and our tamariki are also privileged to be invited to draw near to God at all times of the day and every day of the week. The Shema also reminds us as adults of the awesome task God has given to us to bring up our tamariki with a passion and love for God. As a Christian School, we are honoured to partner with you in growing tamariki's relationship with Jesus. If we can be of help with this please feel free to ask.

This week will be busy with ASB sports sessions, our Mihi Whākatau on Thursday, Kauri have another visit to the Miramar Library (as they missed last Friday's

ASB Sports sessions – for all ākonga starts tomorrow! NB: Pick up at 3pm from ASB required.

We continue with sport sessions at ASB this week. We look forward to seeing you at the ASB to pick up your tamariki at the end of our session. Thank you so much for your amazingly prompt pick-up from the ASB in Week 1. If you have any questions or need support with arrangements, please be in touch. The list of dates for the ASB sessions is below. Thank you for your support with this.

Miramar School Sports ASB Schedule: -

9 August - Cricket Pickleball
16 August - Inflatables Ultimate Frisbee
23 August - Cricket Pickleball
30 August - Inflatables Ultimate Frisbee
6 September - Cricket Pickleball
13 September - NO ASB session
20 September - Inflatables Ultimate Frisbee
27 September - NO ASB session

Mihi Whākatau

This Thursday from 12:50 – 1:50pm we have a Mihi Whākatau to welcome new ākonga and their whānau who have started with us this year. This is an opportunity to gather as a community and bless our new whānau. We would love to see you at this event. NB: Due to Covid, elbow bumps will be used instead of hongis in the hairu.



Options - a chance for you to share your gifts and passions with ākonga

This is a programme which offers ākonga choices and opportunities to engage with activities that may not be offered in the regular class programme. It also allows you an opportunity to share your interests and talents with students. To deliver a range of activities we are inviting you to partner with us and share your skills. These will run on four consecutive **Thursday afternoons** from 1:45pm - 2:45pm, starting in Week 5 on 25 August 2022. We are keen to provide students with multiple learning choices.

So far, we have got two responses and are looking for at least another 3 volunteers. We invite you to consider what you might be able to share with our ākonga. There are more response forms for this in the school office.

School Board Elections

As you are aware we have 4 PARENT VACANCIES on the School Board. So far, we have received one nomination and are seeking at least three more. Those who are currently on the Board are eligible to stand again.

Information and forms to nominate have been sent home in a sealed envelope addressed to you in your tamariki's bag in Week 1 of Term 3. There are further nomination forms in the foyer for you to help yourself to if you require more.

Please carefully consider if serving on the School Board is a way you could serve the Miramar Christian School community or if there is someone you feel prompted to nominate as you can see, they would make a great contribution to the School Board.

Thank you for your consideration of this important role.

All nominations must be received by the school office no later than noon on Friday 19 August 2022.

APT

APT meetings are scheduled to take place on the last Wednesday of the month from 6:30pm - 7:30pm and will alternate between being online and in person at MCS school. Contact Elma for more information.

The APT will be meeting on the following dates: -

Wed 31 August - Online

Wed 28 September - In person

Wed 26 October - Online

The link for the online meeting will be sent via Skool Loop. If you cannot make every meeting that is fine, they appreciate what you can do. They look forward to seeing you there.

Science Roadshow

On Thursday 15 September 2022 from 10:40am – 11:50am, we are booked to go to the annual [Science Roadshow](#). This year, our closest venue is South Wellington Intermediate School. This year the Roadshow provides many opportunities to learn new things as it contains **60 hands-on exhibits grouped under the following six themes:**

- Astronomy - TE MĀTAI ARORANGI
- Ecology and the Environment - TE HAUROPI ME TE TAIAO
- Gravity - TE TŌ-Ā-PAPA
- Heat - TE PŌKĀKĀ
- Human Lab - TE TAIWHANGA WHAKAMĀTAU ĀHEINGA TANGATA
- Sound - TE ORO

More information about this trip will be sent out next week.

Assemblies

Assemblies continue to be held on Mondays at 2:30pm. You are most warmly welcome at all assemblies. In regular assembly gatherings ākongā focus on the memory verse, receive certificates and notices are given. We also have 2-3 sharing assemblies in a term. This term they are booked in for Monday 22 August and Monday 5 September.

Skool Loop

Please check if you still have your notifications on for Skool Loop. This is one of our important communication tools. We would love all school families to receive all communication sent.

Prayer points: -

Thank God:

- For our new ākongā and their whānau.
- For opportunities to gather.
- For God's faithfulness to Miramar Christian School for the last 43 years.

Please pray:

- About whether standing for the School Board is something you are being called to do.
- About who you will nominate to stand for the School Board.
- About whether you are able to contribute to the 'Options' programme.
- For ongoing health and safety of our ākongā as we attend ASB.
- For the continued sense of building community in our school.
- For new ākongā - that they and their whānau would feel welcome.
- That Miramar Christian School would be blessed and a blessing to the community.
- For progress in the work of the Wellington Christian Education Trust.
- For our prayer ākongā and their whānau: -
Week 3: Shayna, Abhinav, Aadarsh, Jesse
Week 4: Sage, Alfonso, 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
AUG	
Mon 8 Aug	Assembly p.m.
Tues 9 Aug	ASB p.m.
Thurs 11 Aug	Mihi Whakatau p.m.
Fri 12 Aug	Library Visit, Y4-6, 11:30a.m.
Tues 16 Aug	ASB p.m.
Thurs 18 Aug	Kapa Haka p.m.
Mon 22 Aug	Sharing Assembly p.m.
Mon 22 Aug	BoT, 6:30pm, Room 3 or Staffroom
Tues 23 Aug	ASB p.m.
Thurs 25 Aug	Kapa Haka p.m.
Thurs 25 Aug	Options - Week 1 p.m.
Fri 26 Aug	Be Yourself (Mufti) Day (bring a gold coin donation)
Mon 29 Aug	Assembly p.m.
Tues 30 Aug	ASB p.m.
Wed 31 Aug	APT Mtg, 6:30-7:30pm, Online
Thurs 1 Sep	Kapa Haka p.m.
Thurs 1 Sep	Options – Week 2 p.m.
Mon 5 Sep	Sharing Assembly p.m.
Tue 6 Sep	ASB p.m.
Thurs 8 Sep	Kapa Haka p.m.
Thurs 8 Sep	Options – Week 3 p.m.
Fri 9 Sep	Library Visit, Y4-6, 11:30a.m.

food & drink videos puzzles lego basketball

Power House

Kids Club

Fridays 3-5pm

For kids 4-12 years old

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)

29 July
5 August
12 August
19 August
26 August
2 September
9 September
16 September
23 September

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

School Holiday events more information to come!

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STAY TUNED

FOR ALL SCHOOL NEWS IN TERM 2 WITH THE SKOOL LOOP APP!

- Receive instant notifications to your device about school news and notices
- Translate school notices to your native language
- View newsletters
- Notify us of your child's absence
- Sign permission forms
- Book interviews and more!

Simple free download:
In Google play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

Available on the App Store | Get it on Google play

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*When you purchase a Single City or Multi City Membership between 8.00pm Friday 1st July and 11.59pm, Sunday 31st July NZST you will receive an extra two months for free. This will be applied automatically which means your 12-month Membership purchase will be upgraded to a 14-month Membership.

Scholastic Free Book Offer

See Issue 5 which was sent home with your child at the beginning of Term 3 for more detail.



FREE BOOK OFFER!

We are giving away FREE books in this issue to help celebrate and spread the love of reading in your school

Let parents know they can get up to 3 free books in Issue 5:

Receive	When you spend over
1 Free Book	\$30
2 Free Books	\$50
3 Free Books	\$70

HOW IT WORKS
Place an order on LOOP and a list of free titles to choose from will display before Checkout




PNP MTB SPRING SERIES

WELLINGTON'S PREMIER CROSS COUNTRY MTB SERIES.
A fun and welcoming atmosphere for all ages and abilities from Under 11 to 60+ including Social and E-Bikes. Free kids event where venues allow.

- R1: Sun 4 Sept Waiu Trail Park, Wainuiomata
- R2: Sun 18 Sept Te Rangituhi, Porirua
- R3: Sun 2 Oct Tunnel Gully, Upper Hutt *New Venue*
- R4: Sun 30 Oct Stratton St, Belmont
- R5: Sun 13 Nov Makara Peak

PNP.ORG.NZ/MTB

For more information and to Enter



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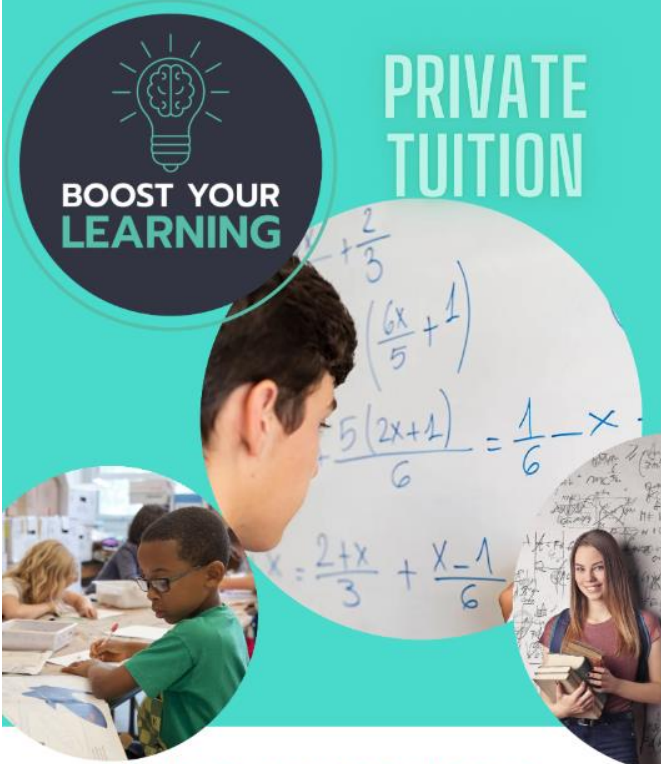
Alpha

You are invited to come and explore life and the Christian faith in an Alpha Group

Gateway Baptist, 33 Park Road, Miramar
Monday evenings 7-9pm
Starts July 25th 2022

Supper provided

Register by 22nd July
office@gatewaybaptist.org.nz



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We would love to help. We are a team of dedicated teachers, specialising in English and Maths support, for primary, intermediate and college students. Visit www.boostyourlearning.co.nz for more information or contact Jenny 021 223 3349 to book a free consultation.

After School Computer Classes

Our term time classes are smaller just 3 to 6 children. Classes are focused on what you want to learn. Pickup from school can be arranged. Class runs from 3:30 to 5:30 pm class fee \$45 (doors open from 3:15).

Learn to Code Scratch, Python, Java, JavaScript, or Learn to Code & Create 3D Games, Minecraft, Web Design, HTML and CSS and A Discovery Course in Computing (suitable for younger children), Build Your Own Computer.

For information & bookings 499-2211 or grandtraining.co.nz



TOTS TO TEENS DIGI-MAGAZINE

The latest Tots to teens is now available by clicking on the following link

<https://issue2207.totstoteens.co.nz/>.

What's in this issue for parents?

- » Cosy winter meals for kids
- » Are regressions a cause for concern?
- » Winter holiday ideas
- » Treating winter head and respiratory ailments
- » What are kids learning at school?
- » How to finance those pearly whites
- » Activities to keep little minds busy and (as always) EPIC GIVEAWAYS

Ask your tamariki to **find this issue's Te Reo Māori words** including whakamataku, akoranga, tokarewa, taitai niho and kamuputu.



ENGLISH CLASSES WITH CHILD CARE

MIRAMAR WELLINGTON
For parents who are residents and NZ citizens.

Holy Cross School Miramar, 2-6 Athens Street.

MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS **TO ENROL:**
FROM 9-11:30AM

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04 384 3693
office@kiwiclass.org.nz
Or, come to class anytime!
KiwiClass.org.nz

- 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.

Harbour City Gymnastics

"Gymnastics is a great and fun activity for developing confidence, coordination, strength and agility. Harbour City Gymnastics, Hataitai Park, are currently taking in enrollments for term 3 and have spaces available in our Monday Ribbon Award 5-6 y/o class and our Monday and Wednesday Badge Award 7-9 y/o classes! Email our office office@hcg.org.nz for further information or to register"