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Newsletter No 15

Monday 5 September 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,

As always, there is much to look forward to and be thankful for. We have a shared assembly today, a library trip for Year 4-8 this Friday (9 Sep), an APT Sausage Sizzle fundraiser this Saturday (10 Sep), the Futsal Tournament for Year 1-4 next Tuesday (13 Sep), the Science Roadshow trip for the whole school next Thursday (15 Sep), a Floorball Tournament for Year 3-6 in Week 9 (Wed 21 Sep), more visits to ASB Sports Centre, a Community Event in the last week of term (Thurs 29 Sep), Kapa Haka continues each week and the Options Programme has another two sessions to go. We are thankful to all of you who support these programmes, our teachers who work tirelessly, and our ākongā who are eager to learn. We are also thankful for the arrival of our new ākongā; and for the great achievement of our current ākongā, as is shown in their mid-year results. Finally, we are thankful to our creator and God, who is our inspiration for our work at Miramar Christian School.

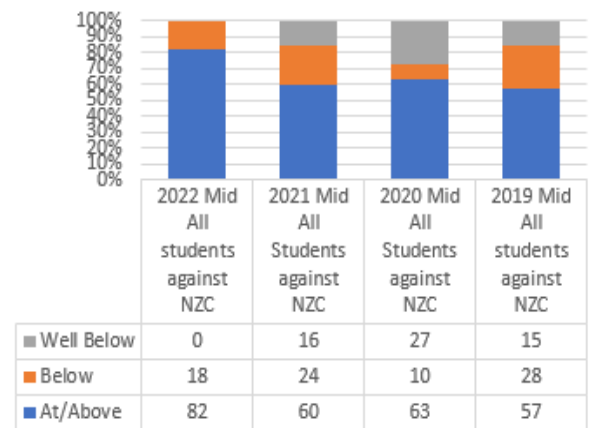
2022 Mid-Year Achievement Results

Great news! Our ākongā are doing well. Below are the results from teachers' mid-year assessments for ākongā in Years 2-6. Being mid-year results means ākongā still have the rest of the year to reach their

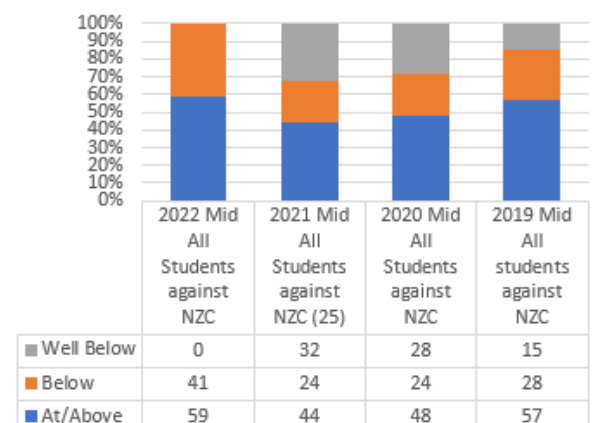
expected level. So results can be expected to increase in the end of year results.

In Reading, 82% of ākongā are 'at' or 'above' their expected level.
 In Writing, 59% of ākongā are 'at' or 'above' their expected level.
 In Mathematics, 82% of ākongā are 'at' or 'above' their expected level.
 If you look at the graphs, you can see they are significantly better than the previous year.

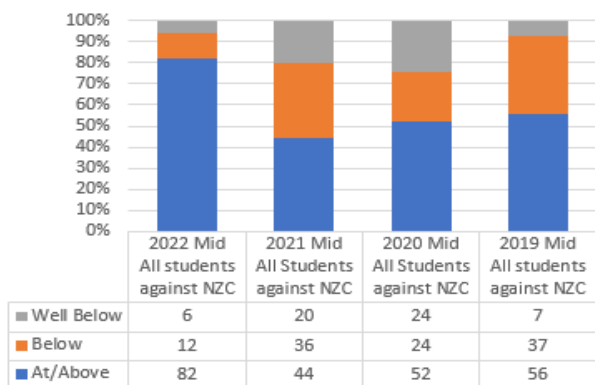
Miramar Christian School 2022 Mid-Year Reading Results against 2019-2021 Mid-Year Reading Results



Miramar Christian School 2022 Mid-Year Writing Results against 2019-2021 Mid-Year Writing Results



Miramar Christian School 2022 Mid-Year Mathematics Results against 2019-2021 Mid-Year Mathematics Results

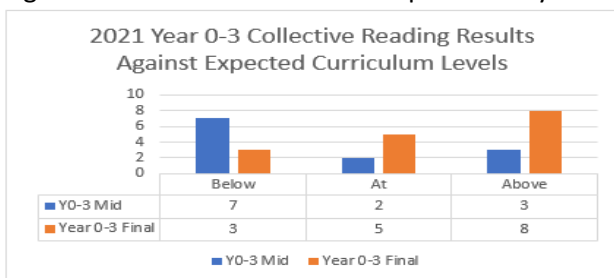


2021 Structured Literacy Results

Ākonga in Kōwhai class have been taught using structured literacy. We thought you might be interested in the Year 1-3, end of year 2021 literacy results. The Kōwhai Reading and Writing results are included below. Again, it can be seen that these are also positive results.

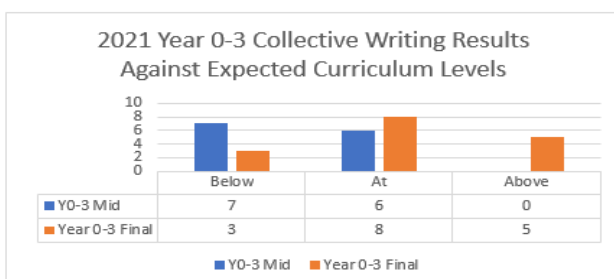
Junior Overall Teacher Judgements - Reading

By the end of 2021, 81% of Year 0-3 students were reading 'at' or 'above' the expected level. This is higher than the 2021 whole school results in which 69.2% of ākonga are 'at' or 'above' their expected level. This is higher than levels achieved in the past three years.



Junior Overall Teacher Judgements - Writing

By the end of 2021, 81% of Year 0-3 students were writing 'at' or 'above' the expected level. This is significantly higher than the 2021 whole school results in which 54% of ākonga are 'at' or 'above' their expected level. It is also significantly higher than levels achieved in the past three years.



APT Sausage Sizzle/Hot Chocolate Stall – THIS Saturday 10 September



Our fabulous APT continue to be busy. Their next fundraiser is a Sausage Sizzle & Hot Chocolate stall THIS Saturday (10 Sep) outside The Salvation Army Family Store, Miramar Ave from 10am-2pm. It would be great if you could support this event by purchasing something and/or helping with selling sausages/hot chocolate. If you can help with selling please see Fraser Reid. Many hands make light work.

Community Event – CHANGE OF DATE!

Now Thursday 29 September, 6–7pm in School Hall

Please note the change of date. We are looking forward to seeing you at this terms Community Event. Our ākonga have been preparing and practising for this. At this event we will have a meal followed by ākonga sharing their learning. Please note all whānau are invited - this includes grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc. We would love all ākonga to be present and supported by their whānau.



As we are currently in Covid Orange Level we will once again **provide pizzas** for the meal. An RSVP will be sent home next week asking for your whānau numbers for catering purposes.

If we are still in Covid Orange Level we will be encouraging all adults and ākonga in Year 4 and up to wear masks when not eating. To provide adequate ventilation we will either have the hall doors open or use our air purifier alongside our CO² meter to ensure the space is safe.

We look forward to seeing you there!

ASB Sports sessions – for all ākonga

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. 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: -

6 September – Cricket/Pickleball

13 September - NO ASB session

20 September – Inflatables/Ultimate Frisbee

27 September - NO ASB session

Science Roadshow

Consent forms for this trip are due back to the classroom teacher next Monday 12 September 2022.

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. 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

'Options' Programme – Week 3 this Thursday!

Thank you to those who have volunteered to help with the programme. Our ākonga are loving being able to learn new skills. These sessions will run on **Thursday afternoons** from 2pm - 2:55pm, from 25 August to 15 September 2022.

APT

APT are doing exciting work with Ben from Gateway Baptist in preparing for a school gala in Term 4. Why not join them and see how you can contribute? Contact Elma for more information.


APT meetings continue 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. The APT will be meeting on the following dates: -

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. We look forward to seeing you there.

World Visions 'Be Yourself' Day

 At our last 'Be Yourself Day' in August we raised \$24.00 for our sponsored World Vision child, Pheaktra. That brings our overall total raised so far this year to \$158.00. It costs \$30 per month to support Pheaktra (whether we are at school or on holiday), totalling \$360 per year. We would love to see a minimum of \$45 raised each 'Be Yourself Day' between now and the end of the year. We thank you for your support.

Our next 'Be Yourself' Day is Friday 30 September 2022.

Health and Safety

The government has put out new information about ventilation in homes. We have included a link for your information: -

<https://covid19.govt.nz/prepare-and-stay-safe/keep-up-healthy-habits/ventilation-and-covid-19/>

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 academic results of our ākonga.
- For the parishioners from the Baptist church who continue to support our school.
- For opportunities to visit places beyond our school.
- For God's faithfulness to Miramar Christian School for the last 43 years.

Please pray:

- For new ākonga as they settle into school.
- For those elected to the School Board.
- For ongoing health and safety of our ākonga as we attend ASB.
- For the continued sense of building a community in our school.
- That Miramar Christian School would be blessed and be a blessing to the community.
- For progress in the work of the Wellington Christian Education Trust.
- For our prayer ākonga and their whānau: -
Week 7: Abishua, Samuel, Hugo, Judah
Week 8: Xander, Dylan, Aadarsh, Jesse

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
SEP	
Mon 5 Sep	Sharing Assembly p.m.
Tue 6 Sep	ASB p.m.
Thurs 8 Sep	Kapa Haka p.m.
Thurs 8 Sep	Options Programme - Wk 3 (p.m.)
Fri 9 Sep	Library Visit, Y4-6, 11:30a.m.
Sat 10 Sep	APT Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser (The Salvation Army Family Store, Miramar 10am-2pm)
Mon 12 Sep	Assembly p.m.
Tues 13 Sep	Y1-4 Futsal Tournament
Tues 13 Sep	No ASB
Thurs 15 Sep	School Trip – Science Roadshow a.m.
Thurs 15 Sep	Kapa Haka p.m.
Thurs 15 Sep	Options Programme - Wk 4 (p.m.)
Mon 19 Sep	Assembly p.m.
Mon 19 Sep	BoT, 6:30pm, Room 3 or Staffroom
Tues 20 Sep	ASB p.m.
Wed 21 Sep	Y4-6 Floorball Tournament
Thurs 22 Sep	Kapa Haka p.m.
Mon 26 Sep	Assembly p.m.
Wed 28 Sep	APT Mtg, 6:30-7:30pm, In Person
Thurs 29 Sep	Kapa Haka p.m.
Thurs 29 Sep	Community Event (early evening)
Fri 30 Sep	Be Yourself (Mufti) Day (bring a gold coin donation)
Fri 30 Sep	End of Term 3, 3pm
OCT	
Mon 17 Oct	Start of Term 4, 8:55am

food & drink videos puzzles lego basketball

Power House

Kids Club

For kids 4-12 years old

Fridays 3-5pm

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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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OPEN DAY



Sunday 16th October 10am-1pm

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- \$120 for a full year's tuition!

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STEM Holiday Programme

Open to kids between the ages of 7-12 years old (Years 3 - 8)

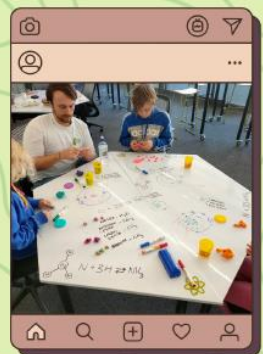
\$80 per day

When:

Monday 3rd October -
Friday 14th October
2022 (weekdays only)
9 am to 3 pm

Where:

Ground Floor/15
Willeston Street,
Wellington Central,
Wellington 6011



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WHEN: Spring School Holidays, 3 - 14 October

WHO: Tamariki aged 5 to 13 years old

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- 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

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