



MENPS MATTERS

SCHOOL BOARD
NEWSLETTER
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Welcome from the Board!

Kia ora koutou katoa,

Welcome back to a brand new school year! We hope this newsletter finds you and your family well-rested and in high spirits after beautiful warm weather and family time over the summer holiday. Term 1 has kicked off with fantastic energy, with thanks to our wonderful staff for providing a smooth and engaging start to school for our students.

The Board wishes to extend a warm welcome to MENPS for all new staff, students and their families, including those in the now-up-and-running Central Auckland Specialist School temporary unit. *Nau mae haere mai!*

Happy Lunar New Year!

Chinese New Year fell soon after school began, on February 10, and we would like to wish our community joy, prosperity and good fortune in this Year of the Wood Dragon.

Have You Downloaded Hero?

The Hero app brings together all school-related information and links for parents and caregivers. This one-stop platform allows you to receive timely communications from staff, as well as view each child's reports, important school dates and events, notify absences and more.

We encourage **all** parents and caregivers to download Hero to keep up to date with school happenings and your child/ren's individual records and progress.

Board Movements

The Board's first meeting of the year saw some changes to the team, with Annette Quesado standing down from her position as Presiding Member and Richard Pook resigning from the Board, along with his position as Deputy Presiding Member. Annette & Richard have dedicated their time and expertise to the guardianship of our school over a number of years and their experience, knowledge and commitment have been invaluable to its progress. We thank them both sincerely for their contributions and leadership.

Taking over the Presiding Member role is Virginia Brown and the Deputy Presiding Member role is Nigel Sinclair.

2024 Strategic Planning

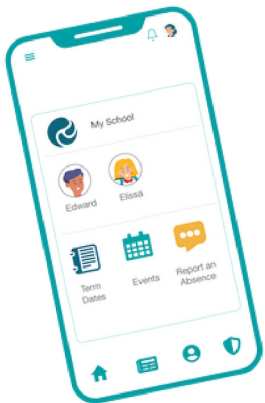
Finalisation of the 2024 MENPS Strategic Plan is underway. A continued focus on developing student and staff potential, premium curriculum and fostering our community's culture and values remain central to our goals this year.

All Welcome!

We would like to remind you that our meetings are open for parents and caregivers to attend. Meeting dates can be found on the MENPS website or via Principal Alan Jackson's weekly email newsletter. All are welcome!

Ngā mihi nui,

Virginia, Nigel, Alan, Annette, Sean, Mei, Fleur, Mike & Anna



Our next Board meeting is at 6pm in the Staff Room, on Wednesday, March 13.