

MENPS News

Te Whare Akoranga o Maungawhau, June 25, 2020

From The Principal

Kia ora koutou,

A reminder this week that bookings for our Term 2 Conferences are now open online, so please ensure that you make time to book if you have not already done so. The link to make your booking can be found below, along with further information on the conference organisation.

On Monday, you should also receive a copy of your child's Mid-Year Report, which offers a snapshot of how your child is tracking against the curriculum indicators for each year level. It is important to note that, at this stage, the children are just approaching the half-way mark on this journey in their learning, and that children, of course, progress at different rates in different areas of their learning.

Please also bear in mind that, as you might expect, the lockdown period is something to factor into our collective expectations, with less time to teach and assess the students in some areas than would be usual for this stage of the year. If any aspects of the curriculum have not yet been covered in class as a result of the disruption, please note that the corresponding rating will be blank for now, and should be updated later in the year.

While we don't anticipate a significant impact on student achievement in the wake of the recent disruption, it is important context to bear in mind, particularly for those who are younger or new to our school. As ever, the message on this is an emphatic 'don't panic!'. Every learner across New Zealand (and most of the world) is in exactly the same position, so this places nobody at any 'disadvantage' so to speak. Above all, we have been generally very pleased with how quickly the children seem to have 'bounced back' this term, right across the school, which we will continue to build on as the year progresses.

Next week also marks a notable cultural event in the form of Matariki, aspects of which will be touched on in class, culminating in a whole school Assembly on the last day of term. Matariki (the Pleiades) traditionally heralds the Māori New Year and a time to remember those who had passed and celebrate new life. It is a welcome note of optimism that we look forward to sharing with the children before the break.

Until then, we look forward to seeing you at our Parent Conferences next week to share more about your child(ren's) progress, achievements and next steps, and celebrating their

achievements so far!

Ka kite anō au i a koutou

Alan Jackson

Principal

Notices & Reminders

- Friday, 26 June: Y1-3 Cross Country 11am, the school website will be updated around 9am tomorrow for any postponement.
- Please note school finishes at the usual time of **3pm** on Wednesday (July 1) for Parent Conferences and **1pm** on Thursday (July 2)
- Balmoral Intermediate School enrolments for 2021 are now open (please see below in Community News for further details)
- No assembly this week
- Term 2 ends at the normal time of 3pm on Friday, July 3



Term 2 Parent Conference Bookings

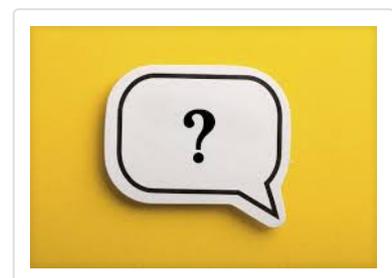
You can book your time at one of the following links:

- **Y1 - 2:** <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code?code=gubj5>
- **Y3 - 6:** <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code?code=nnbat>



About Your Child's Conference

The children at all year levels will be taking an active role in the conferences this year. We hope you will find it useful in gaining greater insight into their learning, successes and challenges so far, as well as their next learning steps. Please see below for some questions and further information on how the conferences will work.



Does my child need to attend the conference? Yes, your child has an active role to play in the format we are trialing for these conferences. Our learners typically have plenty to share!

Will I still have time to talk to the teacher? Yes, the teacher will spend time directly with each family

What if I have a concern or something private to discuss while there are other families present? The focus of this conference is on sharing learning. You are free to have a quiet discussion with the teacher if there is anything you wish to raise. If it is particularly sensitive, we always recommend making a time to speak to your child's teacher privately, whether in person or by requesting a call when convenient. We don't advise any parents to wait for scheduled conferences if there's a significant issue

What if I need more time? The conferences work on a strict time limit, so please talk to your child's teacher if there is anything that isn't covered in the time available or you have further questions - please don't be offended if your teacher has to end the discussion rather than going over time!

Can I bring a pre-schooler? We enjoy seeing younger siblings around school, but this can be too disruptive and distracting at these kind of events, so please make other arrangements

Can other siblings attend the conference? We know this can be tricky for larger families, but ideally siblings aren't invited to attend each other's conferences. If you don't have other options, older children are allowed to play on the playground. The library will also be a supervised area that you're welcome to drop siblings off to if needed (but, again, not pre-schoolers please)

Do I need to bring anything with me or prepare anything? If you have any questions specific to your child's report, it may be useful to bring a copy with you if you can. Your child's teacher will also have a copy on the day. You don't need to bring anything else in particular

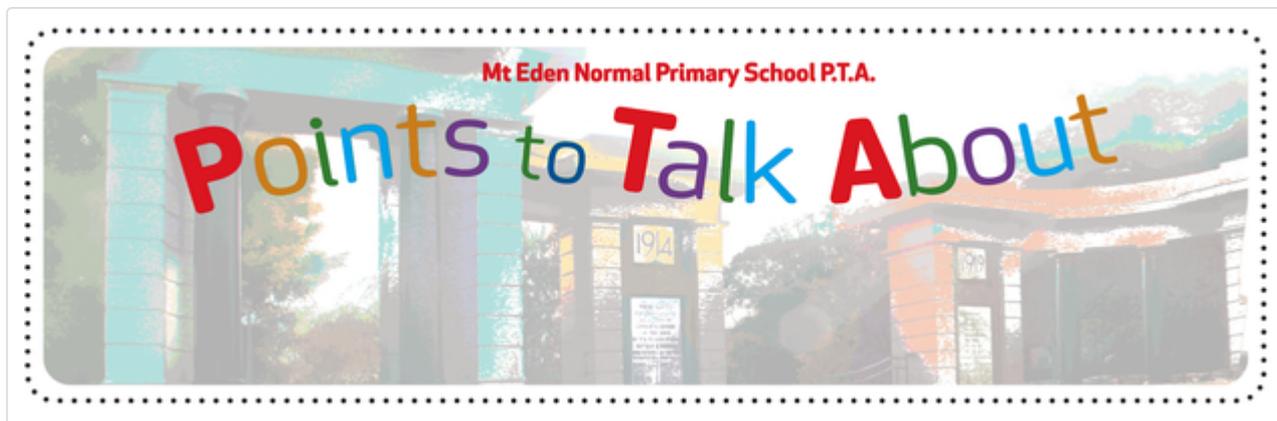
What if I (and/or my child) are new to English? For many, your child or another family member may be able to translate. If you think you may need support, please get in touch with the school so we can help make arrangements to assist with this. If you are comfortable using a translation app, we are also happy to accommodate this - please don't allow language to be a barrier to participating in your child's learning!

Is after-school care available for the early pick-up on Thursday? Yes. Please contact SKiDs directly if you would like to arrange this

If you have any other questions not covered above, please let us know - we look forward to seeing you there next week!

[MENPS Community Calendar](#)

[Click to view, download or subscribe and keep up to date with what's happening at MENPS](#)



The MENPS PTA AGM was held 16th June 2020.

Below is a summary of the PTA fundraising activities and events to 31st December 2019.

The PTA's 2019 focus has been on increasing the number of volunteers and team building and we hope the collective MENPS PTA community will continue to grow in order to maintain this vital contribution to our wonderful school in 2020 and going forward.



Great thanks to the many volunteers, supporters and sponsors

from within and outside of the school that have given their time, effort and donations to help us raise whopping **\$75,352** last year. The school has raised directly further \$6,073 though Yummy Apple Stickers, Abacus Art and Entertainment Books. It would be impossible to name everyone here but a special thank you to **Emma Wallace** who has run the Food and Fun Fair for 5 years over the course of her children's time at MENPS and once again did a wonderful job leading a fantastic group of parents to carry off a successful Fair in 2019. The 2019 Fair was particularly challenging taking place just 48 hours after the Christchurch shootings; 10% of the fair proceeds (\$5,850) was donated to the Victims of the Christchurch Shooting.

Proceeds (\$579) from the Very Important Male Morning tickets were donated The Prostate Cancer Society.

A special mention to **Ketiesha Elliott and Frank Excell from Barfoot and Thompson Mt Eden** for ongoing generosity and support provided to MENPS.

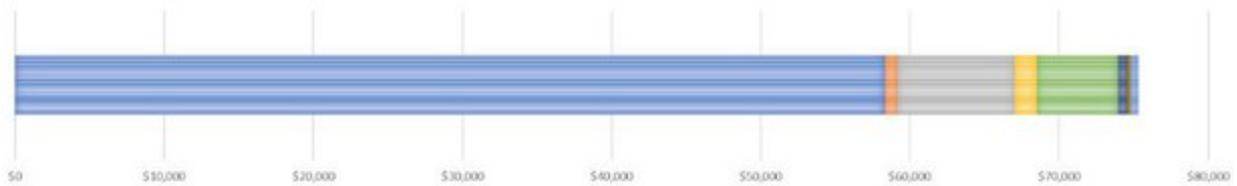
The 2019 fundraising as well as funds raised during previous years amounted to a massive total of **\$135,500 donation made to MENPS in 2019** to fund various big and small projects and resources for our tamariki. Ka pai to mahi!

If you are interested to read the full **Chairman's Report 2019** or to be added to the future distribution list email menpspta@gmail.com

MENPS PTA FUNDRAISING 2019

\$75,352

- Food and Fun Fair
- Earthware Eco-Friendly Fundraiser
- Hollywood Quiz Night
- Halloween Disco
- Abacus Calendar Art
- Second Hand Uniforms
- Ice Blocks
- Jute Bags
- Bakers Delight
- Very Important Male (VIM) Morning
- Year 6 Leaving Afternoon Tea



A total of **\$135,500*** was donated to MENPS by the PTA in 2019, this was made up of the following contributions:

An annual core contribution for ongoing resource costs	\$50,000
Final year of a 3-year iPad lease	\$40,000
Learning landscapes project	\$25,000
Bike and scooter racks	\$2,500
PA system	\$2,900
Soccer goals	\$2,200
Musical instruments	\$2,500
Picnic tables, basketball hoops and additional scooter racks	\$9,900
Year 6 Graduation Disco	\$500

*includes funds raised in previous year(s) and is in addition to donations made to charities, i.e. The Prostate Cancer Foundation (\$579) and Victims of the Christchurch Shooting (\$5,850)

Yummy Apple Stickers

Please Eat More Apples This Winter and Help School Get Free Sports Equipment



Every year during Terms 2 and 3 the Yummy Fruit Company run a sticker promotion for North Island primary and intermediate schools. Schools collect stickers and cut out labels from Yummy apples and at the end of the promotion these are redeemed for a share of the \$200,000 of DG Sports sports equipment. **Last year MENPS was allocated over \$1000** and the children have been using the equipment during both class PE lessons and at lunchtime.

We are asking MENPS families that purchase Yummy apples from Pak n Save, New World and the Parklands Fruit Shop (near Potter's Park) to collect the stickers and labels. A copy of the collection sheet can be downloaded from the Yummy Apple Website www.yummyfruit.co.nz or collected from the office. Stickers can be attached to a blank sheet of paper and do not have to be on an official collection sheet. **Completed sheets can be dropped at the office any time until the end of Term 3 and new sheets are available from the same box.** A reminder about the final date for collection will be sent out in September near the end of the promotion.



**Ice blocks on sale
next Friday
3rd of July
\$1 only**

**After the bell rings on
the last day of term head
over to the top courts**

A colorful ice block on a stick is shown on the left, with a pink top, yellow middle, and green bottom. The background is split into green, white, and red sections.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

Friday, 3rd July, 8:30-9:00

at School Hall Kitchen

Cash Only



Donations of clean and tidy items are greatly appreciated.
Please drop off to the school office.



Bag your MENPS Jute Bag
Purchase from the school office

Bakers Delight

Earn 10% for the School

Mention MENPS when you shop at
Bakers Delight Eden Quarter and they'll
donate 10% of the purchase to us



PTA - Supporting Our School Through Fundraising & Fun Events

 Facebook

Chairperson Renáta Latimer
Deputy Chairperson Marina Borodatova
Secretary Melanie Woollard
Treasurer Linda Waddington Miller

Follow us on Facebook and keep up to date with the PTA on Mount Eden Normal Primary School PTA page.

 menpspta@gmail.com

 mteden.school.nz/pta

Community Notices

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Professionally managing your rental property

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3/2 Edwin Street, Mt Eden, Auckland

 Darryl Goode 021 270 4455	 Ali Herter 021 966 096	 Shonelle Collings 021 333 459	 Andrew Lawrey 027 333 584	 Jeff Reid 027 333 2354	 Paul Greenwood 027 299 3331
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BALMORAL INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

ACCEPTING ENROLMENTS ONLINE NOW

JOIN US FOR OUR OPEN DAY

IN ZONE AND OUT OF ZONE
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY 29TH JULY
9:30-11AM OR 6-7:30PM

Head to WWW.BALMORAL.SCHOOL.NZ to enrol now.

BABYSITTING OR AFTER SCHOOL CARE WORK WANTED

My name is Allie and I am keen to babysit or look after children after school.
I am 18 years old and I have some baby sitting and day care experience.
I love looking after children.

I don't have a driver's license, but I don't mind staying up late.
I live locally in Mt Eden.

Please contact me. Allie Eginton - 021655456

AFTER SCHOOL AND HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES



PARNELL TRUST
www.parnell.org.nz



THREE KINGS
UNITED
FOOTBALL CLUB
<https://aucklandunitedfc.org.nz/holidayprogramme>



KIDS UP FRONT
www.kidsupfront.co.nz

Another exciting ARROWS Holiday Programme with the theme 'Safari' is running at Valley Road Church, (corner of Valley and Mt Eden Roads) from **Tuesday July 14 - Friday July 17** for children aged 5-11

The fun-packed programmes include crafts, music, art, games, movies, team competitions and the teaching of Bible values, all linked by the Safari theme.

The not-for-profit programmes cost \$35 for all 4 mornings or \$90 for 4 full days. Register online at www.valleyroad.org.nz

ARROWS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

<http://www.valleyroad.org.nz>



SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINIC

AT PARNELL LAWN TENNIS CLUB (Auckland Domain - next to Museum)

FOR MORE DETAILED PROGRAM INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT www.parnelllawntennisclub.co.nz

Come and join us for some great tennis and fun at Parnell T.C. NZ's premier club.

We endeavor to structure groups according to player ability from beginner to advanced standards. FLEXIBLE ENROLMENTS CHOOSE WHICHEVER DAYS SUIT YOUR CHILD THE BEST.

FIRST WEEK: 29, 30 June, 1, 2, 3 July 2020
SECOND WEEK: 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 July
THIRD WEEK: 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 July
FOURTH WEEK: 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 July AGE: 5-18 years old

TIME & COST:
 9:00 am to 12 noon Morning Clinic \$180 or \$45 per day
 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm (Afternoon Clinic) \$180 or \$45 per day
 9:00 am to 3:00 pm (FULL DAY CLINIC) \$340 or \$80 per day

A NEW 8 WEEK COURSE AT PARNELL LAWN TENNIS CLUB

DATES: **Saturdays:** August (2020) 1, 8, 15, 22, 29. September 5, 12, 19.
Sundays: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30. September 6, 13, 20.

TIME: 9:00 - 10:00 am for 5-18 year old

COST: \$180 for 8 weeks or \$25 for one week.

TENNIS FOR ADULTS!!! (Beginners only) is on Saturdays from 8am to 9am.

ENQUIRIES: Coach, Coach Manager, PARNELL Lawn Tennis Club

PARNELL LAWN TENNIS

<http://www.parnelllawntennisclub.co.nz/junior-programme/>



REGISTER TODAY on our website: www.sporty.co.nz/rozk/rjuniorRFC
Grades: Ripper Rugby for Under 5s to Under 7s, Under 8s & Under 7s and all Tackle Rugby from Under 8s to Under 13s on Saturdays

Mt Roskill Clubrooms 33 Akarana Ave, Mt Roskill, Thurs from 5pm & Sat
 All details & general information on our website. Any further queries: info@mtroskill.co.nz

MT ROSKILL RFC

<http://mri.school.nz>

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WHY CHESS?
 * Improve concentration and focus
 * Develop important life skills - fair play and decision making
 * Tactical & Strategic thinking
 * Prepare for Chess Tournaments against other schools
 * Develop a love of chess, of learning and of thinking.

WHAT HAPPENS IN CHESS POWER COACHING PROGRAM?
 Each session starts with a formal lesson, all players will learn a new strategy, idea or skill each week. Then they put those skills into practice with activities and games. All games are monitored and supervised by the coach who provides individual feedback along the way. Throughout the program, we reward kids that do well and encourage and support kids that are struggling. At the completion of the program, we recognize each child with a certificate based on their performance.

CLASS DETAILS
 This is a 3 weeks chess coaching program running on Mondays from **15th June till 29th June, 10:00 - 14:00**.
 The fee will be \$50/student for the term. The sessions will take place in School Hall. A new full 10-week program will be made available for Term 3.

Register today!
QUESTIONS?
 If you have any questions about this change, please contact paul@chesspower.co.nz or phone 021 6271 5577. Visit our website, www.chesspower.co.nz and click Parents Centre.

CHESS TOURNAMENTS
 Our cluster tournaments have started and your child can be part of the fun! Just visit <http://www.chesspower.co.nz/page/auckland-events> and look for Online Cluster Tournaments.

CHESS POWER

<http://www.chesspower.co.nz>

Monday 13th to Friday 17th July 2020
 Games & fun activities, meaningful learning about God, team challenges, outdoor games, crafts, a great evening feast, 'Unplugged' days, mid-winter Christmas Day, cookie decorating & a lot more!

Times: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
 Afternoon: 1:00pm to 3:00pm
 (Age appropriate content 5-11 years)

Holiday Programme Cost: \$15 per day for each child.
 Kindergarten Cost: \$20 per day for all 5 days before school.
 (Includes: 10:00am to 11:00am for each child)

Where: Marston Hall, Greyfriars Presbyterian Church, corner Woodhead and Mt Eden Roads (only from the east side)

Morning and afternoon teas are provided but children should bring their own lunch.

If you have any queries, please contact 020 2460 (Office Hours: Tues-Fri) or email info@greyfriars.org.nz

Please note: For safety that there are no refunds for this already booked, however please have your child when they are allowed to do so. Children that are not to be present at the holiday programme will need to be picked up during the day.

GREYFRIARS HOLIDAY

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YOUR child learns...
 * **CONFIDENCE** * **DISCIPLINE** *
 * **RESPECT** * **ANTI-BULLYING** *
All while having fun!

First class free! Call 020 4078 4773 **MONDAY 6:30PM** **Mount Eden Normal School**

HEAD COACH: CARL VAN ROON
 9 x Taekwon-Do World Champion (2003 - 2017), 2 x Karate World Champion (2010, 2016), Former Captain of the NZ Kickboxing Team, Masters Degree - Sport & Exercise Science

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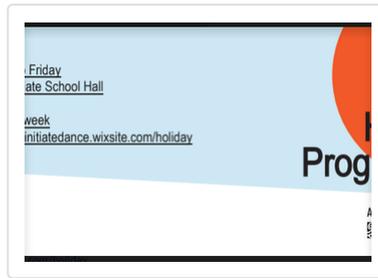
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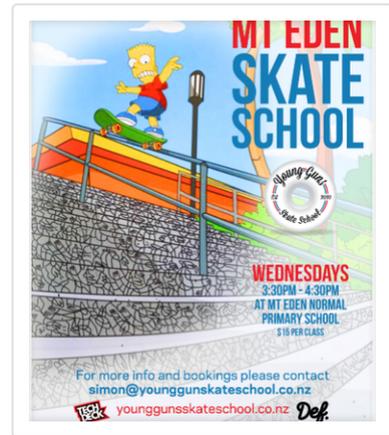
TAPAC

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JIGSAW HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

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younggunskateschool.co.nz



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Check back on our website, or join the official Mt Eden Normal Facebook page to keep up to date!

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Myan Miller

They might have an assembly, like we do. But we don't wear sandals.
I F -Paige

They are wearing backpacks too.
-Rocco

What do you wear to school?

I think they are playing with a ball like we do.
-Georgia

Maybe it is lunch time.
-Rocco

Paige

JAMES

What do you play at school?

What is the sun? What is a planet?

because

