

# MENPS News

Te Whare Akoranga o Maungawhau, January 29, 2021

## From The Principal

Kia ora koutou,

A belated Happy New Year!

I trust you have had an enjoyable break and time for family activities, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday, February 2nd!

I would particularly like to welcome new staff, families and students who will join our school for the first time, who we will welcome with a traditional Pōwhiri at 10am on the first day.

In the current situation, I know everyone will be mindful of the COVID testing that is currently underway, but it is encouraging news that no new cases of community transmission have been reported today. We proceed on the assumption that 'no news is good news', and are full steam ahead to be ready to go on Day 1 of the term, continuing our enhanced vigilance, hygiene and cleaning protocols as before.

As you would expect, we have contingency plans in place if - at any stage - we experience a change of alert levels. If this were to occur, updates would be emailed to all caregivers at the earliest available opportunity. I know we will all be hoping this is something we will successfully avoid in 2021, and we have reason to be optimistic that the experience of 2020 leaves us well prepared for any eventuality.

There are no restrictions to movements on site (so please be assured that gate drop-off is not required), but please ensure you remember to scan at entry points when visiting school. As ever, please also maintain a cautious approach if your child feels at all unwell and keep them at home if in any doubt.

Despite the heightened vigilance, I can tell you that the staff are as enthused, energised and raring to go as ever, with plenty of exciting and engaging events and activities to look forward to. Further information and key dates for the Term ahead will be sent home next week.





Enjoy the long weekend as we look forward to a stellar year of learning ahead, and we hope to see you around school at some point in the near future.

Ka kite anō au i a koutou

Alan Jackson  
**Principal**

## NOTICES AND REMINDERS

- **Tues, 2 Feb:** Term 1 commences
- **Tues, 2 Feb:** Pōwhiri welcome for new families (Top Court, 10am)
- **Fri, 5 Feb:** Whole School Assembly (Hall, 2.30pm)
- **Sun, 14 March:** MENPS Food & Fun Fair



## 2021 Term Dates

### **TERM 1 Tuesday 2 February - Friday 16 April**

Waitangi Day (observed): Monday, 8 February

Easter Good Friday: Friday, 2 April

Easter Monday: Monday, 5 April

Easter Tuesday: Tuesday, 6 April (NZ school holiday)

### **TERM 2 Monday 3 May - Friday 9 July**

Teacher Only Day: Friday, 4 June

Queen's Birthday: Monday, 7 June

### **TERM 3 Monday 26 July - Friday, 1 October**

### **TERM 4 Monday 18 October - Tuesday, 14 December**

Teacher Only Day: Friday, 22 October

Labour Day: Monday, 25 October

### **Other Holidays**



## MENPS Community Calendar

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# MENPS PTA

Mount Eden Normal Primary School Parent Teacher Association  
[www.menpspta.co.nz](http://www.menpspta.co.nz)



## PTA - Supporting Our School Through Fundraising & Fun Events

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**Chairperson** Renáta Latimer  
**Deputy Chairperson** Marina Borodatova  
**Secretary** Melanie Woollard  
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