



# MENPS News

Te Whare Akoranga o Maungawhau, February 25, 2021

## From The Principal

Kia ora koutou,

As we continue to watch developments and announcements relating to the recent confirmed COVID cases in Auckland, I know everyone will join me in sending best wishes to the Papatoetoe High School community at the centre of the latest outbreak.

We're fortunate to have our children happy and healthy at school, and to be in a position to enjoy events such as this week's PTA Picnic, which was the perfect antidote to the recent lockdown! I'd like to thank our amazing PTA and all those who were able to join us for what turned out to be a perfect community afternoon.

Also on the subject of community, I would like to ask everyone to join in a drive to help with the waste management issues we still work hard to deal with here at school.

In order to really 'live' our Touchstones in terms of guardianship of our environment and personal responsibility, we need to focus on where we can make the biggest difference; the humble school lunchbox.

Conveniently-packaged food items that are designed and marketed for busy parents of school-aged children don't exactly make this an easy task, and we still find a significant amounts of single-use packaging being sent into school each day as a result.





## Is this an issue we can afford to just accept?

The question we have to ask is if we are prepared as a community to write the issue off and accept it as an inevitable matter of convenience. I know that everyone would agree that it doesn't send the right message to our tamariki. Put simply, the message is that we can and must do better.

The silver lining is that we see so many examples of how it can be solved each day at school, but it depends on everyone playing their part.

Litter simply doesn't need to be a staple fixture in anyone's lunchbox, and small changes add up. The usual suspects of gladwrap, tin foil, juice boxes (water bottles are a much better option for so many reasons), chippie wrappers, plastic sushi containers (particularly with plastic soy sauce sachets) and superfluous packaging aren't the only available alternatives.

While a single yoghurt pot or bag of chips may not seem like such a big deal, when it's multiplied by literally thousands each week, we have a collective responsibility to challenge existing mindsets.



## Small changes make a huge difference!

This isn't a problem we can expect the children to solve. I would, therefore, like to sincerely thank and celebrate all of those parents who send their child with a litterless lunch each day. It has a tremendous impact not only on the management of waste at our school, but also on our whole school culture, so keep up the great work!

We would love to see every family committing to build on this community effort to help us make meaningful change and send a positive message to all of our children.

So, if you happen to be the person making lunches for tomorrow (or shopping for those lunchbox items), we would really appreciate it if you could take a moment to reflect on what you can do to make sure child's lunch is part of the solution, not part of the problem.

I believe it's an issue that really is too important for us to accept anything less, so thank you for supporting our collective efforts to affect change as part of our Enviroschool journey.



Ka kite anō au i a koutou

Alan Jackson  
**Principal**

PARENT HELPERS NEEDED FOR THE YEAR 5 & 6  
SWIMMING SPORTS TOMORROW 9.15 to 12.30. Please  
email [karenm@mteden.school.nz](mailto:karenm@mteden.school.nz) if you can help.

## NOTICES AND REMINDERS

- **Thu, 25 Feb:** Lucky Jars Go Home
- **Fri, 26 Feb:** Gold Coin Mufti Day
- **Wed 3 Mar & Thur 4 Mar** Parent Conferences, school finishes at **1pm**
- **Fri 5 Mar** 2nd hand uniform sale, outside school hall, 8.15 to 9am, cash only
- **Sun, 14 March:** MENPS Food & Fun Fair



**MENPS PTA**

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

The picnic was great. Thanks to everyone who could  
come!



Mt Eden Normal Primary School



# Food & Fun Fair

## COUNTDOWN 2021

### 4 WEEKS TO GO

**Saturday 13th February** - Fair Donations Collection Day 2 - 4pm  
Clothes (Hall), Toys (Hall), Books (Room 27), Jumble sale (Room 10)

### 3 WEEKS TO GO

**Monday 22 February** - People Power Rosters to be sent out via class coordinators.  
Please sign up for a time slot on your child's class stall. Many hands make light work!

**Thursday 25th February** - Lucky Jars go home for filling

**Friday 26th February** - Gold Coin Mufti Day

### 2 WEEKS TO GO

**Monday 1st March - 8th March** - DONATIONS & HELP

'CALL TO THE HALL' All help in the hall is very welcome until fair day! Please come along any time after drop off or before pick up to help us sort the toys and clothes - thank you!

**DONATIONS ARE STILL WELCOME ANY TIME:**

Clothes (Hall), Toys (Hall), Books (Room 27), Jumble sale (Room 10)

**Thursday 4th March** - Lolly jars go home for filling

**Friday 5th March** - Bottle Donation Mufti day

Bring a bottle for the bottle stall (No Alcohol) and wear your favourite outfit to school

### LAST WEEK BEFORE FAIR

**Tuesday 9th March** - 6 pm - 8 pm Pre Sales Night!

Clothes / Books / Jumble Sale

**7 pm PTA/FAIR meeting** in the staff room \* All stallholders must attend

**Thursday 11th March** - Cake boxes go home.

Please fill your box with yummy cakes, cupcakes, biscuits or slices

**Saturday 13th March** - Site set up for all stall holders from 10 am

Cakes can be dropped to the staffroom 1-4pm (or Sunday morning before 10am)

**DONT MISS THE SCHOOL FAIR  
SUNDAY 14TH MARCH 11AM - 3PM  
RAIN OR SHINE**

TEAM  
**MIKE ROBSON**  
EXPERIENCE WHEN IT COUNTS

**RayWhite**

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## People Power Rosters

Please lend a hand and sign up for your class stall- rosters being sent out via class coordinators Monday 22nd February



25th Feb,  
Thursday -  
Lucky Jars Go  
Home

Please fill with small toys or treasures for children to buy at the FAIR. All filled Lucky Jars can be returned to the box in the School Office.



26th Feb, Friday  
- Mufti Day

Non-Uniform day. Bring a coin to school and wear your favourite outfit to school



4th Mar,  
Thursday - Lolly  
Jars Go Home

We need every child to please fill a container with yummy lollies for us to sell on the FAIR day. Please return to the box in the School Office. No chocolate, please.

**FAIR DONATIONS ARE WELCOME ANYTIME!**

**We would still love all your quality pre-loved items - even if the rooms are locked just drop donations off outside these rooms at any time and we will collect them: THANK YOU!**



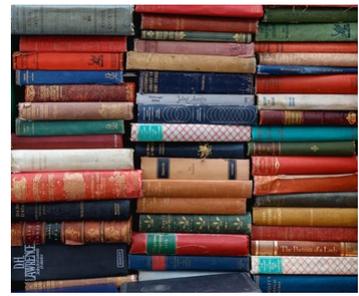
## Clothing to the Hall

\*no men's clothing or men's shoes please



## Toys to the Hall

\*no more soft toys please



## Book to Room 27



## Sandpit Donation to the Hall

We are looking for prizes for the sandpit dig: your new, unopened, un-used goodies/toys.



## Other stuff to Room 10

We need donations for the Jumble Sale Stall.  
\*for electrical items please contact Rachel 0275 300 316



## 5th Mar, Friday - Bottle Donation Mufti Day

Bring a bottle for the bottle stall (no alcohol) and wear your favourite outfit to school



## Face Painters (FAIR)

Are you artistically talented and/or have some experience painting? All paint and equipment provided. Have fun transforming kids into pirates and butteries!

Email to [menpspta@gmail.com](mailto:menpspta@gmail.com)

## WE ARE LOOKING FOR SPONSORS

We are looking for your support again! With just over 4 weeks left before the Fair we're calling for donations, both financial and/or prizes for the school Fair.



This year, we will fundraise to help the school with their ambitious goal to deliver a sports court canopy that our children can enjoy all year round for sports and other outdoor learning and activities. Read more about this exciting project in the newsletters from [MENPS Board of Trustees](#)

**Be part of this project and help us find sponsors.** If you can help and support us again or know someone who'd like to support our Fair let us know.

You can contact us via email [menpspta@gmail.com](mailto:menpspta@gmail.com) or call Renáta on 021 580 680.



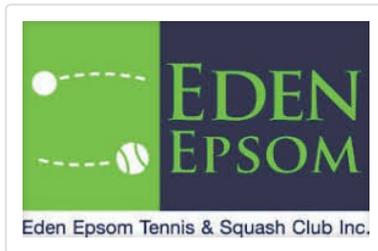
## Second Hand Uniform Shop

**5th March Friday 8:15am-9:15am**

School Hall Kitchen, cash only

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







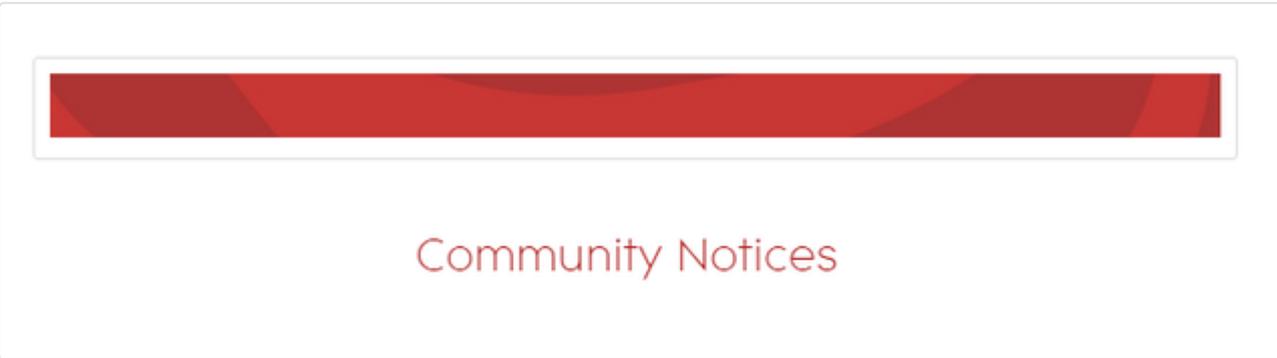
## PTA - Supporting Our School Through Fundraising & Fun Events

Facebook

- Chairperson** Renáta Latimer
- Deputy Chairperson** Marina Borodatova
- Secretary** Melanie Woollard
- Treasurer** Linda Waddington-Miller
- Class Coordinator Leader** Jane Cunningham

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

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# LITTLE DAY OUT

## Free Family Fun Day

Date: Sat 6th March from 10am to 1pm

Location: Cnr Mt Eden Rd & Ngauruhoe St



## Mt Eden Village Centre

Welcome to our *FREE* annual fun event - we hope to see you there!

Thank you to our sponsors, Play White Mt Eden, Albert-Eden Local Board and Foundation North

[www.mtedenvillagecentre.co.nz](http://www.mtedenvillagecentre.co.nz)



# ST. PETER'S COLLEGE



Mountain Road, Epsom  
Tel: 524 8108

Catholic School for Boys Years 7 – 13

## OPEN DAY

For Year 7 Enrolments in 2022

*Limited enrolments at other levels*

**TUESDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 2021**

**9:30 am or 1:00 pm**

in the College Hall (main school entrance – Mountain Road)  
You do not need to register.

followed by a conducted tour of the College by senior boys

*St Peter's College provides an education in the CATHOLIC tradition  
by building a strong foundation in the ACADEMIC, SPORT & MUSIC areas.*

*The College has a dual pathway of assessment with both  
Cambridge International Examinations and NCEA offered at senior year levels.*

The College is well served by public transport  
from all parts of Auckland

**"ST PETER'S BUILDS OUTSTANDING MEN"**

(Weather permitting, limited parking available on the top field, main entrance Mountain Road)  
[www.st-peters.school.nz](http://www.st-peters.school.nz)



# MARIST COLLEGE

Catholic Girls School, Years 7 to 13

## Open Day Tuesday 3–6pm 2nd March 2021

- *Special Character at Marist College... is real, pervasive and alive. (Catholic Character Review Report)*
- *Marist College continues to be a high performing school and provides high quality education for all students. (Education Review Office Report)*
- *Outstanding academic results.*

# AFTER AND BEFORE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

## **TABLE TENNIS**

The Auckland Table Tennis Association is offering a **free 4-week after school *table tennis coaching program*** to Year 5 and Year 6 students from Central Auckland Primary Schools. No previous experience in table tennis is required. Students have the option to sign up for sessions run on **Tuesdays** starting on **23rd March - 13th April** or **Thursdays 25th March - 15th April**. The coaching will be held from 3.45 - 5.00 pm at the Auckland table tennis stadium, 99A Gillies Avenue, Epsom. **Registration needs to be in by Monday 22nd March and will be based on a "first come first served" basis.**

For more information or to register please contact Ebi Kleiser (ATTA Development Coach) ph.: 021 083 09994 or email: [tabletennisnr@gmail.com](mailto:tabletennisnr@gmail.com)



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Weekend Sessions

School Holiday Programmes

Virtual Sessions

Parent Child Sessions

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Instructors with experience spanning 50+ years, so you know you will be safe while training.

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We are situated at the Balmoral Bowling Club, upstairs, so why not come along and try 2 FREE classes. Sign up before end of Feb and get your first month FREE!!!! See you there!!!

For more information do not hesitate to contact me: Shihan Charlie Tamati...021833440

Email: [shihan@amaa.co.nz](mailto:shihan@amaa.co.nz)

Check out our [websites](http://www.amaa.co.nz) ; [www.amaa.co.nz](http://www.amaa.co.nz)..... [www.shorin-kempo.cpm](http://www.shorin-kempo.cpm)





# REGISTRATIONS

**OPEN** CLOSING  
15<sup>th</sup> March

**2021 SEASON** 8<sup>th</sup> May to  
\*Junior Inhouse League 5 - 12 years 25<sup>th</sup> September

Club Open Day & Boot Swap  
Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March 9am - 11am

**WSAFC.ORG.NZ**



# COME PLAY FOOTBALL

REGISTER NOW  
[AUCKLANDUNITEDFC.ORG.NZ](http://AUCKLANDUNITEDFC.ORG.NZ)

**GRAND OPENING:**  
**SAT 13 MARCH 10.00AM**  
**KEITH HAY PARK**

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BOOTS SWAP.  
ALL PLAYERS WELCOME!



# PLAY JUNIOR RUGBY



## Mt Roskill REC JUNIOR RUGBY



**RIPPER RUGBY** is the non-contact version of RUGBY, no tackling, just ripping a Velcro tag from the opposition's belt-line. It's the perfect introduction to RUGBY for 3 to 7 year olds.

**UNDERS'5** grade will be played at 4.30pm Fridays at Fearon Park.



**Grades** Ripper Rugby for Under 5s to Under 7s. Under 6s & Under 7s and all Tackle Rugby from Under 8s to Under 13s and Girls Teams, on Saturdays



For Registration or general information contact;  
Tracey Gilling 020 416 11033 or [Tracey@westview.co.nz](mailto:Tracey@westview.co.nz)

Facebook: [Mount Roskill Junior Rugby](#)



# Before and After School Care

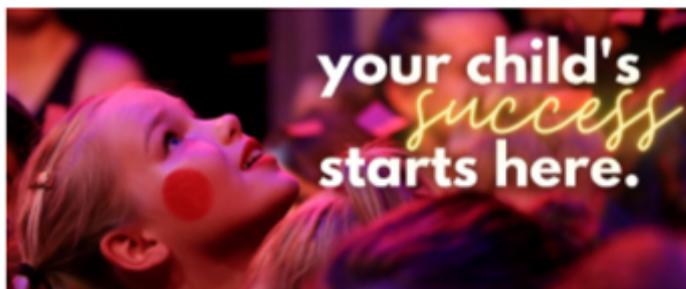
## Holiday Programmes

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4 week countdown FAIR 2021.pdf

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