

# MENPS News

Te Whare Akoranga o Maungawhau, July 23, 2020

## From The Principal

Kia ora koutou,

I trust everyone has had a positive start to Term 3, and found time during the break to reconnect and recharge.

I'd like to thank the volunteers who came along to the planting working bee during the holiday. The riverbed (Te Puna), is looking great, and should be well established by the time warmer months come around.

This term brings a number of key events, which you should by now have received in our list of dates for the term. We're particularly looking forward to a welcome return to Zones sporting events, PTA events, our Y5/6 Production, Maths Week and Te Wiki o te Reo Māori (Māori Language Week).

This term, we're also pleased to introduce brand new visuals for the MENPS 'Touchstones', which describe values and dispositions that we aspire to here at school. This is the result of a long process that began with consultation and discussion with parents, students and staff about what we value here at MENPS. We believe the end result offers a valuable framework and shared language for daily life, learning and personal development across our learning community. Further information on the Touchstones can be viewed below, and it is well worth being familiar with each of the statements and understanding what they mean in practice.

I would also like to thank all those who attended our recent Parent Conferences. Around 94% of families were there on the day(s) for the conferences, with a small number arranged for alternative times for various reasons. We also appreciate the feedback we received in our follow-up survey which received 96 responses, the results of which are summarised below.

As is often the case with this kind of event, views and expectations can be very diverse, so it is not always realistic to assume any approach will please 'all of the people all of the time', but the model nonetheless received positive feedback overall from both parents and staff, which is summarised below.

Comments offered also gave us some key points to reflect on moving forward around timing, structure and getting the balance right between adult-focused discussion (such as an

appropriate forum for raising issues or concerns) and student-led sharing. All of this will be invaluable in developing our approach further in the future.

Whatever decisions we make around the next steps, there certainly seemed to be an appreciation of how excited the children were at all year levels to have an opportunity to share their progress and achievements, which supports our vision for learners who are 'wide-eyed and enthusiastic about learning'. We were very proud of how well the children stepped up to this challenge, and appreciate everyone who came along to 'give it a go'.

With best wishes for a fantastic Term 3 ahead!

Ka kite anō au i a koutou

Alan Jackson  
Principal



## Mount Eden Normal Primary School TOUCHSTONES



### About the Touchstones



Kaitiakitanga means guardianship and protection, based on a deep connection between humans, all life and the natural world.  
It is a way of thinking about and showing respect for



Touchstones Parent Info.mov

[drive.google.com](https://drive.google.com)

- **Wednesday, 29 July:** BOT Meeting Wednesday - Staffroom, 6pm
- Balmoral Intermediate Open Day (9.15 - 1am / 6 - 7.30pm)
- **Thursday, 30th July:** 'Magic Spells' 'PTA Fundraiser word lists sent home
- **Friday 31 July:** Assembly - Hall, 2.30pm

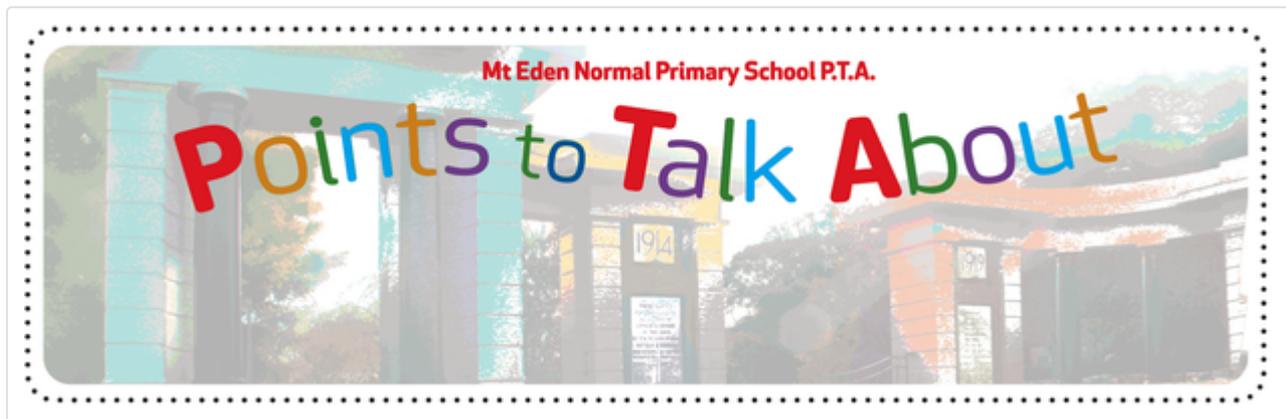


Term 3 Key Dates & Events.pdf

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196.6 KB

## MENPS Community Calendar

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# Calling all Word Wizards

2020

## Magic Spells



**Magic Spells aims to make spelling fun.  
Join the challenge, seek sponsors & help raise school funds**

**Thursday 30th July:** Sponsorship forms and word lists are sent home.

**Friday 14th August:** Magic Spells is conducted and certificates are sent home.

**End of Term:** Money pledged is returned to the school office.



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## Help Our School to Get FREE Sports Equipment

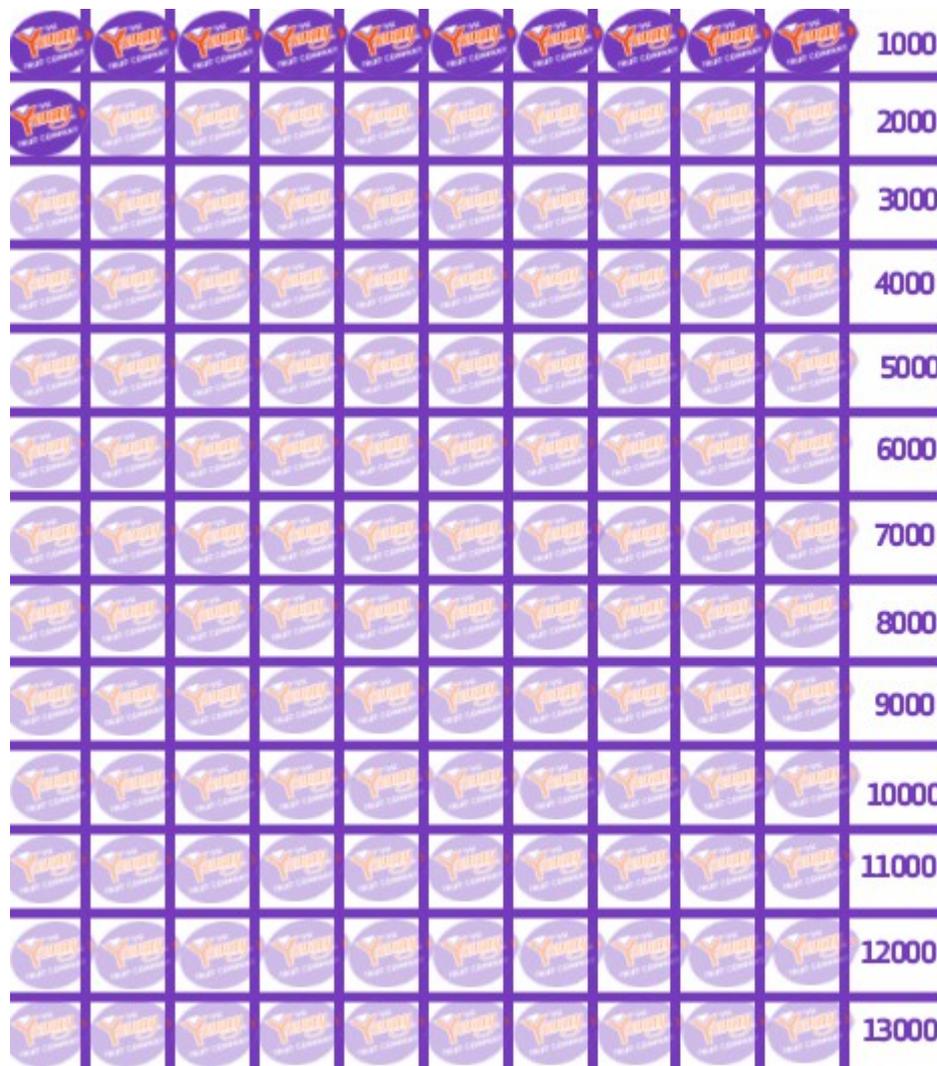
1. Buy Apples with Yummy Stickers at Pak n Save, New World, the Parklands Fruit Shop or at Countdown.
2. Attach all stickers to a blank sheet of paper.
3. Bring the sheet into the school office if you have at least 50 stickers.

Last year we collected  
10,449 stickers.



Sticker collection  
will finish at the end  
of Term 3





**We've  
collected  
1130  
stickers**

**9 weeks  
to go**

 = 100 stickers

## Second Hand Uniform Shop

Friday, 7th August  
School Hall Kitchen,  
8.15 - 9.15am, Cash only

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





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## 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](mailto:menpspta@gmail.com)

 [mteden.school.nz/pta](http://mteden.school.nz/pta)

## Community Notices



**Auckland Normal Intermediate**  
 Poronui Street  
 Mt Eden  
 E [enrolments@ani.school.nz](mailto:enrolments@ani.school.nz)  
 T 09 630 1109

# Auckland Normal Intermediate

Enrolments are now open for 2021!

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## BALMORAL INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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IN ZONE AND OUT OF ZONE  
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY 29TH JULY  
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# AFTER AND BEFORE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

## PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITY! DANCE AND DRAMA

Be a part of our large-scale production at the end of the year! Classes run on a weekly basis.

We will be casting and rehearsing our show pieces this term to then perform at The Vodafone Events Centre or The Bruce Mason Centre in late November.

### DANCE SING ACT

#### THURSDAYS

12pm Yrs 1&2

12.45pm Yrs 3&4 (FULL)

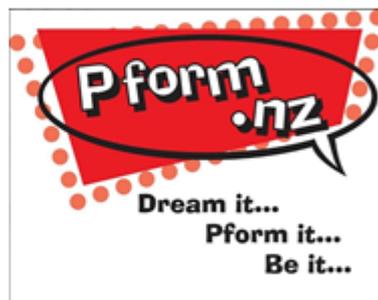
1.30pm Yrs 5&6

#### MONDAYS - After school

3.15pm Yrs 1,2&3

#### WEDNESDAYS - After School

3.15pm Yrs 4,5&6



Find all class information here:

<https://www.theperformance.net/auckland/locations/mt-eden-normal-school>

We will be taking enrolments for our Production Season until Sat 2nd August.

For any other questions contact Grace on [0278678115](tel:0278678115) or [grace@pform.nz](mailto:grace@pform.nz).

We look forward to weaving our magic with your performers!

**Before and After School Care**  
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Fun Languages



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In room 20

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A great incentive to reinforce learning. See the link above.

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## Keep in touch

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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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