



# MENPS MATTERS

SCHOOL BOARD  
NEWSLETTER  
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## Ngā mihi o Matariki, te tau hou Māori! ...Happy Māori New Year!

### Kia ora, MENPS Community,

Matariki is a time for reflection, renewal and connection. Many of its themes and customs align nicely with the midway point of the school year, encouraging us to pause and look back on the year so far, celebrate achievements, learn from challenges, and set our intentions for the future.

It is also a special time for family to connect, gather to share stories and kai, and enjoy downtime together. Cue, the school holidays!

### Strategic Efforts

As a Board, we have seen great progress from the MENPS' team towards achieving our 2025 Strategic Goals. This includes continuing to offer rich learning experiences for our tamariki, gradually implementing the new curriculum through teacher support and professional development, alongside improved facilities and school environment, and increased opportunities for student leadership and connections between students.

### Thank You, Teachers!

Also reviewing the year thus far, our teachers have been working hard to prepare for mid-year reports and parent conferences, assessing our students' progress, setting goals and sharing insights on individual dispositions, achievements and values for whanau. This exercise takes many hours and careful consideration from our teachers, and the Board extends our sincere thanks to the team for their efforts.

### Culture, Community & Fun!

Also deserving of thanks is the MENPS PTA, who once again pulled together a wonderful community event with the MENPS Cultural Festival.

Drawing on the success of past events, this festival invited cultures represented within our community to come together, connect and celebrate diversity and inclusivity. A melting pot of tasty fare, intricate activities, colourful performances and fun was enjoyed by all who attended. None of which would have been possible without the PTA's continued dedication and time given, along with an army of volunteer helpers.

### Election Nominations Countdown

By now, you may have heard the Board Triennial Election is nearing, with nominations for five Parent Representative roles opening on **Friday, July 18**.

Board members play an important role in shaping MENPS students' educational experience, and becoming a Parent Representative on the Board is a wonderful opportunity to contribute to our school and community. Keep an eye out for your nomination pack, to be sent via email.

*As we head into the holiday break, we wish our school community a well-deserved rest and time with loved ones, after a busy and fulfilling first half to the year.*

**Ngā mihi nui,**  
**Virginia, Nigel, Alan, Annette, Martina, Mei,**  
**Fleur, Mike & Anna**

Our next Board meeting is in the Staff Room at 6pm, on July 23. All welcome!