# MENPS News

Te Whare Akoranga o Maungawhau | 14 June, 2018



Mt Eden Normal Primary School



"Wide-eyed & ENTHUSIASTIC about LEARNING"

## From The Principal

Tēnā koutou katoa,

I'd like to wish a warm 'Eid Mubarak' to our muslim families here at MENPS, as they mark the end of Ramadan and the celebrations of Eid al-Fitr. This is a major Islamic festival around the world, and an important cultural event for all those who observe it, so our best wishes go to them at this time of great spiritual significance.

Next week, we begin the process of some key consultation work that may be of interest involving the Board, representatives from the Student Council, a parent focus group and the PTA.

Since taking up my role at the start of the year, I have been focused on developing a comprehensive understanding of the values and approaches that matter most to our learning community and for our children. What is abundantly clear is that ours is a school that has a tremendous amount to be proud of in so many ways, and so I'm looking forward to this opportunity to define the next steps in the journey as part of a clear, coherent vision of our shared aspirations for the future.

All of this work will be crucial in reflecting on the Board's current strategic goals, encompassing teaching and learning, site development and the foundational values that support this.

The culture and values of any community or organisation can only truly be understood by experiencing them first-hand, so this represents an invaluable opportunity to add to everything I have learned so far from our staff, children and families. Moving forward, I look forward to sharing the results with all members of the MENPS community as the work

progresses. I'm sure there will be no shortage of engaging ideas as we continue to strive for the very best outcomes for all of our learners.

Finally, I'd like to wish the best of luck to our Zones Cross Country Team, who will be representing the school next week. They will be bringing along plenty of athletic talent with them, and they will no doubt rise to the challenge as ever!

Ka kite anō au i a koutou

Alan Jackson Principal



#### Notices & Reminders

- Tues, June 19: Zones Cross Country @ Fowlds Park
- **Thurs, June 20:** Please note some teachers attending NZEI Paid Union Meeting (PM)
- **Thurs, June 20:** BOT Meeting (& Parent Focus Group) 6.00pm
- Second Hand Uniform Shop this Friday 8.30-9am
- No assembly this week

#### MENPS Community Calendar

Click to view, download or subscribe and keep up to date with what's happening at MENPS

## SPORTS NOTICES

Zone Cross Country is being held on Tuesday the 19th June at Fowldes Park, Mt Albert. First Race begins at 10 am.



# Are you able to help us locate some unwanted resources?

- We are looking for an unwanted **INTERIOR DOOR** that you may have and no longer want. It does not matter if the door is damaged or not painted.
- Off cuts of MDF especially thin (5mm) MDF.

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• **Old crates** - preferably about twice the size of a beer crate although beer crates could be suitably modified by the construction group to suit. **Strong plastic crates** may also be suitable (*The normal plastic boxes used for storage are not suitable*). The crate will be used to carry equipment to the hall and after they are emptied will be used as table top supports.

If you can help, please contact Bruce <a href="mailto:classroomvideo@gmail.com">classroomvideo@gmail.com</a>

## M.E.N.P.S. SPELLING CHALLENGE Mt Eden Normal PRIMARY SCHOOL

Magic Spells, our school spelling challenge, is underway. A fun, fundraising event, it combines spelling and fund raising. This year's goal is to add new digital Learning Stations to the Year 3 classes.

By now children should be learning their spell lists and seeking sponsorship from friends, family or neighbours.

22 June - Magic Spells Day is conducted at school
23 June - 5 July - Children collect money from their sponsors
6 July - Money raised, is either returned to school or deposited into the MENPS PTA account number 06 0145 0239303 00 by this date.





# LOOK HOW FAR WE'VE COME!

MENPS PTA ACHIEVEMENTS

#### DID YOU KNOW...?



FROM THE FUNDS RAISED BY THE PTA, \$50,000 EACH YEAR GOES DIRECTLY TOWARDS MAKING YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM A RICHER LEARNING ENVIRONMENT.

#### HOW IS THAT MONEY SPENT?

-DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES E.G. AUDIOVISUAL, ELECTRONICS AND ROBOTICS -HANDS-ON" RESOURCES FOR SCIENCE AND SOCIAL STUDIES TOPICS E.G. GOLDFISH, BRAINS AND HEARTS FOR DISSECTION AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS -ASSISTING WITH ADEQUATE LEVELS OF SUPPORT STAFFING

#### WHAT ELSE HAVE THE PTA FUNDED?

-SENIOR PLAYGROUND -SHADES SAILS OUTSIDE YEAR 1 CLASSROOMS -TREES AND PLANTER BOXES -COURTYARD ART WORK PROVIDING PLAY SPACES COMBINED WITH LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES -IPADS -SPORTING FOLIDMENT

-SPORTING EQUIPMENT -MARQUEES

#### WHERE TO NEXT...?

THE BOT AND SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM WILL BE WORKING WITH PARENTS, TEACHERS AND STUDENTS TO GATHER IDEAS FOR A SITE VISION, AND COME UP WITH A "WISH LIST FOR THE FUTURE".... WATCH THIS SPACE!







#### Second Hand Uniform Shop

#### This Friday - 15 June

School Hall Kitchen, 8.30 - 9.00am, Cash only *Uniform donations gratefully received* Last shop for Term 2 Shop Friday, June 29

Mark your diaries!



#### M2 Hair Salon

M2 will give a 10% donation to MENPS when MENPS parents use M2.



#### Yummy Apples

**Collect** stickers and labels from Pak'n'Save, New World and the Parklands Fruit Shop (near Potter's Park). **Attach** to a collection sheet (collect from the office or download from <u>www.yummyfruit.co.nz</u>) or stick to a blank sheet of paper. Drop sheets to the office any time until the end of Term 3.



#### Baker's Delight

Don't forget to mention MENPS when you visit **Baker's Delight Eden Quarter** and the school earns **10%** on all purchases!



#### MENPS Jute Bags... only \$5!

Purchase these great bags at the office or second hand uniform shop. Cash or Cheque.



#### Flight Centre Deal

Flight Centre Mt Eden will generously give MENPS **\$25** for every **\$1000** spent by MENPS families booking holidays with them. So please remember to mention us when booking!



## Supporting Our School Through Fundraising & Fun Events

🕜 Facebook

Follow us on Facebook Keep up to date with the PTA on Mt Eden Normal Primary School PTA page

─ menpspta@gmail.com

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#### COMMUNITY NOTICES



#### Part time childcare position

We are looking for a reliable person to look after two children. Hours of work are 3pm -6pm Tuesday and Thursday and possibly some casual work by negotiation. Position includes supervising homework, walking dog and cooking family dinner. Babysitting/childminding experience essential.

#### HOMESTAY FAMILY NEEDED

A 15 years girl from Japan is looking for a nice Kiwi host family for two weeks from 19/Aug/2018 to 31/Aug/2018. (1 week is also fine)

Please send Email to me If you have a spare room and would like to host an international student.

Email : aucklandkidslife@gmail.com









## 2018 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

To order your membership online visit <u>www.entbook.co.nz/989k60</u>



## ANZ OLYMPIC SCHOOL

We have registered as an ANZ Olympic School which provides us with resources and rewards to inspire our school community.

If you're looking to take out a home or business loan, simply provide the name of our school when speaking with an ANZ representative. When your loan is drawn down, we will receive credits to spend at the ANZ Awards Centre on items like sporting equipment and computers. To discuss an ANZ home or business loan, visit your local ANZ branch, or call a Home Loan Specialist on 0800 269 4663 or a Business Specialist on 0800 269 249.



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