

MENPS News

Te Whare Akoranga o Maungawhau | 15 November, 2018



*Mt Eden Normal
Primary School*



From The Principal

Tēnā koutou katoa,

I'd like to pass on my thanks to the MENPS parent community for their support during the recent NZEI strike action. This is far from where we would like to be, and we do regret the disruption this causes.

At the moment, we seem no closer to a resolution in terms of a settlement on pay and conditions that would help address the growing recruitment and retention crisis. This is, of course, key to the quality of education we provide, and so it is a very unfortunate position to find ourselves in after so many months of negotiations.

While I agree wholeheartedly that the issues of pay and workload must be addressed, it's also important, however, that we don't allow the debate over the challenges in education to overshadow the countless positive aspects of the work that we do.

Having worked in education for many years, I can honestly say that I wouldn't want to do anything else. In fact, this is a sentiment that I know the overwhelming majority of teachers would agree with. Teaching undoubtedly comes along with many considerable pressures and challenges, but the rewards of building meaningful relationships with the children, being a part of a fun, positive and supportive learning community and playing such an important role in their process of discovery about life and the world around them is a unique privilege.

It's a reality that there are countless demands on teachers, who work incredibly hard to meet the individual needs of children and the complex parental, societal and political expectations that come along with it. I would argue, however, that it is nonetheless an incredibly exciting, engaging and rewarding career. For me, there's nothing quite like the feeling of knowing you have helped a child to achieve something that they didn't believe they could do.

Whatever the politics and eventual outcome, I believe it's essential that as educators we don't lose sight of the real reasons that we do what we do, and maintain the passion and optimism moving forward that is so essential to our work.

And to end on an appropriately optimistic note, I'd like to pass on my sincere thanks to our Sports Coordinator, Karen, for orchestrating our recent success at Zones Softball, resulting in a 1st place for the Girls, and 4th for the Boys' A. Congratulations to all those who were selected for their efforts and teamwork on the day.

I'd also like to acknowledge our resident Video Group Coordinator, Bruce Sandford, for a wonderful evening last night at the Video Group Open Night. The children were very excited to share their amazing movie projects, and I know I speak for all of the attendees when I say that Bruce's work bringing the team together for this project is very much valued and appreciated.

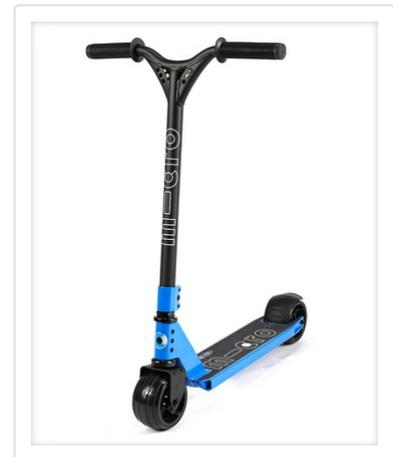
Ka kite anō au i a koutou

Alan Jackson

Principal

Notices & Reminders

- **APPA Choir Performance - Town Hall Tues Nov 20**
7.30pm
- **BOT Meeting Wed Nov 21 Staffroom 6pm**
- **Zone Athletics Thurs Nov 22 (Margaret Griffin Park)**
- **Assembly on Friday 2.30pm start**
- **Tomorrow Fri 16 Nov: Second Hand Uniform Shop** School Hall Kitchen, 8.30-9am, Cash only
- **Calendar Art: Orders close Monday 9am Nov 19th.** Don't forget to order!
- **Next Tues 20 Nov: Get to know your PTA!** 9am, Staffroom. Enjoy coffee & cake
- **School sunhats** are *compulsory* in Terms 1 & 4. They can be purchased from the office
- **Bikes & Scooters** - children in **Y5 & 6** can now pick up a parent permission slip at the school office for biking/scootering to & from school! This must be signed and returned to school please. (Other year levels will be invited in the next couple of weeks to help us monitor and manage numbers)



MENPS Community Calendar

[Click to view, download or subscribe and keep up to date with what's happening at MENPS](#)

Mt Eden Normal Primary School P.T.A.

Points to Talk About

Get to know your PTA

- COFFEE & CAKE ON US!

- TUESDAY 20TH NOVEMBER
9AM IN THE STAFFROOM



New to the school?

Want get involved but don't know how?

Come along and have a chat about how you might be able to help.

All welcome- toddlers in tow? No problem- bring them along too!



**NEW BBQ ON YOUR
LIST TO SANTA THIS
YEAR?**

**DON'T
THROW YOUR
OLD BBQ AWAY!**

**WE REALLY NEED
BBQ'S TO COOK UP
YUMMY BURGERS AND SAUSAGES
FOR THE FOOD AND FUN FAIR 2019!**

**IT DOESN'T MATTER IF IT'S A BIT
BEATEN UP- WE'D STILL LOVE IT!
EMAIL MENPSPTA@GMAIL.COM
IF YOU CAN HELP.**

LAST WEEK for "Calendar Art" orders

Orders close 9am, Monday 19th!

Thanks to everyone who's placed an order for this annual PTA fundraiser. We're now in the last days: jump on the website today to order your personalised cards, 2019 calendars and diaries, mouse mats and sketch pads - featuring your child's amazing artwork. Perfect for Christmas, great for sending overseas. Grab an extra set of cards for the bottom drawer - they are blank inside so perfect for those times you need a last-minute birthday or thank you card.

Samples of the products are on display in the school office - just ask Lucy or Becky at the desk. No minimum order - order one item or many! Your personalised products will be delivered to your child's classroom by the first week of December.

Prices



Mouse Mats \$16



How to Order

- Your child's unique code is printed on the order form that came home with your child
- Simply go to the website www.kidsartworks.com and enter your child's unique "Entrance Code" in the box
- Payment can be made over the website using a credit card or directly from your bank account
- If your order form has been lost, please email Angela on angandnick@gmail.com to get your child's unique code
- **Orders close 9am, 19th November**



Whilst online ordering is preferred, we are also accepting payment by cash/cheque at the school office. Please place your order form and a cheque made out to "MENPS", or the correct change, if cash (no change can be given). Please write on the envelope your child's name, room and "Entrance Code", as well as your name and phone number.

Any questions or issues, please email Angela on angandnick@gmail.com

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Delivery to your child's classroom by the first week of December



Second Hand Uniform Shop

Friday, November 16th
School Hall Kitchen,
8.30 - 9.00am, Cash only

Uniform donations gratefully accepted

TERM 4 DATES
Friday's
November 16th & 30th

Only 2 shops left this year!



Have you bagged your **MENPS Jute Bag** yet?

Only \$5

The perfect bag for carrying your shopping, groceries, library books or your child's canvas art!

These bags are made from 100% natural, carbon free jute.

Purchase from the school office or second hand uniform shop. Cash or Cheque only.

Support these local businesses and you can earn extra for the school!



Mention MENPS when you visit **Baker's Delight Eden Quarter** and the school earns **10% on all purchases!**



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



Supporting Our School Through Fundraising & Fun Events

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Follow us on Facebook

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

 menpspta@gmail.com

 mteden.school.nz/pta

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Mortgages: Exceptional time to save money and take years off your mortgage



Everyone with a mortgage or seeking a mortgage should be aware that banks are competing hard for market share right now. ANZ have come up with a special on the 1 year at 3.95% which is available until 1st Dec. Other banks are looking to match on rate or compete with improved cashback. It's an exceptional time to shop around your mortgage even if you have break fees to consider.

Last week I worked on a clients mortgage that had \$400 one off break fees but she was able to save \$350 per month with better rates. I got her on an optimum structure to kill the mortgage years earlier, and she was offered \$6,000 cash contribution to move to another bank. She got a great result for about 30 mins effort. This is a good example of the money you might save in the current environment with minimum hassle.

If you want me to work with you on a new mortgage, or to really improve the setup on your existing then please get in touch

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Do you own a section and;

- you are thinking of developing it, but you don't know how?
- you want to get advantage of the Auckland Unitary Plan, but property development sounds too complex?
- you are thinking of downsizing, but you want to stay in the same area?
- you need to create a retirement plan to avoid working beyond 65?

Contact us for a free-of-charge consultation

"Working closely with Carlos Robles, we are pleased to say that he provided excellent technical services particularly in the areas of financial analysis, risk mitigation, technical understanding of the property development process in New Zealand, technical team selection and oversight of sub-consultants.

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Please phone Jessie for more information on:
09: 8465633 or 02102599654.

PART TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY STAFF WANTED GREAT FOR MUMS

If you love cleaning and making things look pretty, we have an opportunity for YOU. We are a company that manages Airbnb properties, we have a property near by that needs a "caretaker", someone to clean it and get it ready for it's next guests.

The property requires cleaning anytime between the hours of 10am -3pm, you can choose when you service the property, as long as it's ready by 3pm for the next guests. Days of cleans are dependant on when guest's checkout. On average there are 18 cleans per month. Job sharing is an option, if you want flexibility around working days.

Requirements: own transport, washing machine at home, self managing personality as you'll be working alone and managing yourself, eye for detail.

If this sounds promising, please give me a call to discuss further.

Lisa 0210414001



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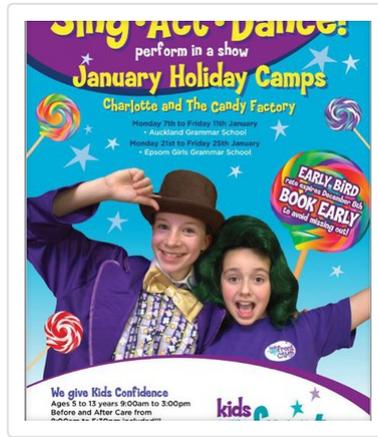
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Greyfriers
Holiday
Programme 16-
21 Dec



Kids Up Front
Holiday
Workshop



Improv Holiday
Workshop



Too young for kindy? We can help.

We cater for children aged two years and upwards.
Enrol your child at epsomcommunitycreche.co.nz

9.00AM - 12.30PM (3.5 HOUR SESSION)
\$28 FOR 2YR OLDS | \$25 FOR 3YR OLDS



WE'RE AN 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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