# MENPS News

Te Whare Akoranga o Maungawhau | 2 May, 2019



Mt Eden Normal Primary School



"Wide-eyed & ENTHUSIASTIC about LEARNING"

# From The Principal

Tēnā koutou katoa,

A warm welcome to Term 2, with a number of exciting events up ahead, including NZ Sign Language Week next week, promoting awareness of one of NZ's three official languages.

Following discussions with students and parent groups, we also introduce a new 'Cultural Heritage Day' in week three this term, aimed at encouraging all members of our learning community to share and celebrate an aspect or aspects of their cultural heritage with their class. They can choose to participate in any way they would like to, whether through food, clothing, an item or perhaps a traditional song, story or performance. We hope this will be a fun way to promote awareness of the rich diversity within our community, and offer every child an (optional) opportunity to celebrate this in a way that is personally meaningful for them.

Following this, we have other upcoming highlights, such as the Y1/2 Showcase, Matariki, sports events, including Football and Cross Country and, of course, our Term 2 Parent Conferences and Progress Reports later in the Term.

Next week, we also bid farewell to one of our teachers, Guy Blackwell from the Y6 Team, who moves on due to a change in circumstances. Although he has only been with us at MENPS for a short time, I would like to thank Guy for his hard work and wish him well for the future. Taking over teaching duties in Room 30, we will be welcoming Mr Brent Beaumont to the teaching team in Week 3.

With a great deal to look forward to in the weeks ahead, I look forward to seeing many of you around school at some point soon, and I trust the term has got off to a fantastic start.

Ka kite anō au i a koutou

Alan Jackson Principal

# No Exceptions to the Traffic Rules

A reminder that the designated areas on **Sherbourne** and **Valley** Rds are pick-up and drop-off only between 8.30 and 9.30am and 2.30-3.30pm on all school days. This means that you may wait in your car but are **not allowed to leave the vehicle** in either of these areas during these times. This is so that drivers can move along to make room as it becomes available for others also waiting to pick up. There are no exceptions to this and other parking restrictions around school.



### Notices & Reminders



You must stay in your vehicle in the designated pickup/drop off areas. No parking allowed 8.30-9.30 & 2.30-3.30 (even if you'll "just be a minute..."!)



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# Yellow lines mean no parking for anyone at any time



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- No school assembly this week
- PTA AGM on Tuesday 14th May at 7pm in Staffroom
- The Yummy Apple Stickers promotion is back on
- Welcoming Families Needed
- This Friday 3rd May: Second Hand Uniform Shop 8:30-9am, School Hall Kitchen, Cash only

# MENPS Community Calendar

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



# Annual General PTA Meeting



# Yummy Apple Stickers



Every year during **Terms 2 and 3** the Yummy Fruit Company run a sticker promotion for North Island primary and intermediate schools. Schools collect stickers and cut out **labels from Yummy apples** and at the end of the promotion these are redeemed for a share of the \$200,000 of DG Sports sports equipment. Last year **MENPS was allocated over \$650** and the children have been using the equipment during both class PE lessons and at lunchtime.

#### WHERE TO PURCHASE ...

We are asking MENPS families that purchase Yummy apples from Pak n Save, New World and the Parklands Fruit Shop (near Potter's Park) to collect the stickers and labels.

#### WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR STICKERS

A copy of the collection sheet can be downloaded from the Yummy Apple Website <u>www.yummyfruit.co.nz</u> or collected from the office. Stickers can be attached to a blank sheet of paper and do not have to be on an official collection sheet. Completed sheets can be dropped at the office any time **until the end of Term 3** and new sheets are available from the same box. A reminder about the final date for collection will be sent out in September near the end of the promotion.

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# Welcoming Families Needed



For a couple of years now the PTA have run a Welcome Families Programme to pair an existing MENPS family with a new family (who chooses to be paired).

We have new families arriving at MENPS every term. Many of our new school families have English as a second language and / or are new to a school environment. We set up the welcoming family programme to provide a friendly face to talk to and get information about MENPS from to help new families settle in.

For example, the sports kids in particular years play and where might be great to pass on. Or you might be that friendly face at a picnic. It might be a phonecall or email contact, or you might have more time and perhaps younger children and arrange an initial meet up. Any way you choose it's a fabulous way for us to welcome in new families!

If you would like to be part of the programme as a welcoming family please email Sarah Lamont <u>andrewsarahlamont@gmail.com</u>. Please provide a phone number and your children's years to help with allocation.

# Second Hand Uniform Shop

Friday, May 3rd School Hall Kitchen, 8.30 - 9.00am, Cash only

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

Term 2 Dates Mark your Friday's Viaries May 17th, 31st June 14th, 28th INCANT ... BE ...



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donate 10% of the purchase to us

only \$.

# Supporting Our School Through Fundraising & Fun Events

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MENPS families booking holidays with them.

So remember to mention us when booking!



# TERM 2 BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES





Term 2: Hazy Holidaze (mixed media, drawing on wooden boxed board) Explore the art of drawing. A kit of old time memorabilia forms the basis of our mixed media study & the result is reminiscent of a by-gone era. Role Model Artists: Michael Shepherd (NZ) & Leonardo Da Vind (Italy) Thursday 9th May-27th June 2019 3:15em-5:15em in Art Room

# ART CLASSES AT SCHOOLS, AFTER SCHOOL

#### Term 2 2019 @ Mt Eden Normal Primary School

Fine Young Artists is an inspirational fine arts programme designed for children who are passionate about art.

Every term, children take part in an exciting new programme based on the works of well-know local and international artists. Our 8-week course is the perfect way to develop your child's artistic potential.



ENROL NOW! www.fineyoungartists.co.nz P: 09 6341995 E: enquiries@fineyoungartists.co.nz

# WANT TO LEARN CHINESE?

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Pistachio Mandarin Language Centre is offering Chinese lessons on Saturdays from 5+. Classes are 1 hour for total beginners, 1 hour for higher beginners & 1 hours for Adults. Focusing on speaking, listening. Fun activities to engage students and to immerse them in a Mandarin speaking environment. Come for the first free trial lesson. Start: Term 2 Saturday 4/5/19 Venue: Kohia Terrace School, Epsom Please Email: <u>pistachiomandarin@gmail.com</u> Website: <u>www.pistachiomandarin.weebly.com</u>; Facebook: Pistachio Mandarin Language Centre

# COMMUNITY NEWS



Dove Hospice would like to extend a special 'friends of MENPS 15% off'



### at our Dove Hospice shop, 1 Queen Mary Ave, Epsom \*opposite the gorgeous 'Flour Mill Cafe'

We have a brilliant selection of women's, men's & children's designer fashion, jewellery, home & kitchenware and books.

Just mention our 'friends of MENPS discount' at time of purchase. Valid till 31st May 2019.
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# 'What Now' filming in Mount Eden - INVITATION

During 2019 we are broadcasting from around the country, show casing a different community each week. On Sunday 9th June our show will be coming live from Mount Eden, and I would like to invite MENPS families to be part of the live audience! Families (including adults) are all invited to come and experience live TV being made while being part of our awesome audience...& it's FREE!! As space is limited, we work on a 'first in best dressed' approach. You are most welcome to include this link in your notices for your families to register online to be part of the audience <u>www.whatnow.tv/bonus/audience</u> We look forward to joining your community in 2019.



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