
MENPS News

Te Whare Akoranga o Maungawhau, July 30, 2020

From The Principal

Kia ora koutou,

At MENPS, we aim to keep the professional focus on our core business of teaching and learning. It's easy to be swept along by educational trends, distractions and commercial products without keeping a critical eye on what makes a real difference to outcomes for our learners.

Most recently, our focus is on mathematics, and considering ways in which we can engage our learners in using and applying maths in the 'real world'. We want our children to be passionate, enthusiastic and engaged with maths at all year levels, while equipping them with the skills, knowledge and strategies that enable them to experience success.

Having a mathematical 'mindset' plays just as critical a role. A 2015 Ministry of Education report, examining information from international PISA studies and interviews of students concluded that:

"Students who hold more positive beliefs about their ability to learn maths and to solve maths problems can be ahead in maths by about one-and-a-half to two school years by the age of 15. Students who worry more and feel more nervous about maths activities can fall behind by as much as one-and-a-half to two school years by the age of 15."

Too often, we equate success in maths with speed over problem-solving abilities without pausing to consider why this is the case. Those who engage with mathematics in their work, however, including academics in mathematical fields may use some aspects of rote learning as useful shortcuts but, ultimately, they are problem-solvers first and foremost, sometimes returning to problems and approaching them from different angles.

The rows of algorithms or 'sums' and timed tests many may have experiences at school can be great at filling time, but they actually tell us very little about mathematical understanding because they are ultimately a mechanical process. While they have their place, they don't actually involve any real depth of understanding, creative problem-solving or critical thinking.

As Professor Jo Boeler

Ka kite anō au i a koutou

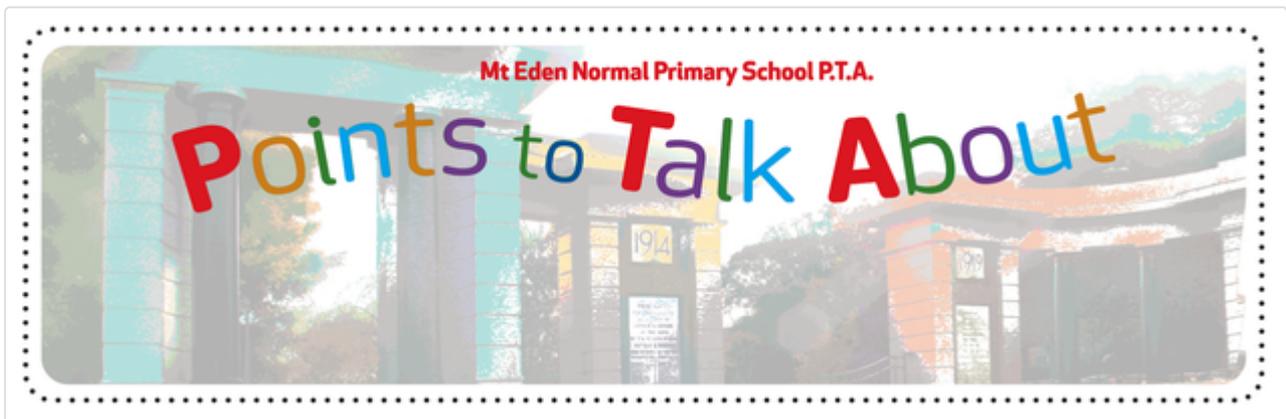
Notices & Reminders

- Assembly tomorrow begins at 2.30
- 'Magic Spells' 'PTA Fundraiser word lists sent home today
- Enrolments now open for 2021 Auckland Normal Intermediate
- Friday 7 August - 2nd Hand Uniform Sale 8.15 to 9.15 cash only



MENPS Community Calendar

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



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.

Friday 21st August: Money pledged is returned to the school office.



MENPS

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



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.



Bakers Delight

Earn 10% for the School

Bag your MENPS Jute Bag
Purchase from the school office

Mention MENPS when you shop at
Bakers Delight Eden Quarter and they'll
donate 10% of the purchase to us



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PTA - Supporting Our School Through Fundraising & Fun Events

 Facebook

Chairperson Renáta Latimer
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Follow us on Facebook and keep up to date with the PTA on
Mount Eden Normal Primary School PTA page.

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 mteden.school.nz/pta

Community Notices



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Auckland Normal Intermediate

Enrolments are now open
for 2021!

Go to ani.school.nz

*Why choose to
come to ANI?*

- Leadership opportunities which range from cultural to strategic leaders
- - Makerspaces which foster creativity, collaboration and critical thinking
- - Extension programmes for students in both numeracy and literacy



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MONDAY
WEDNESDAY
FRIDAY**



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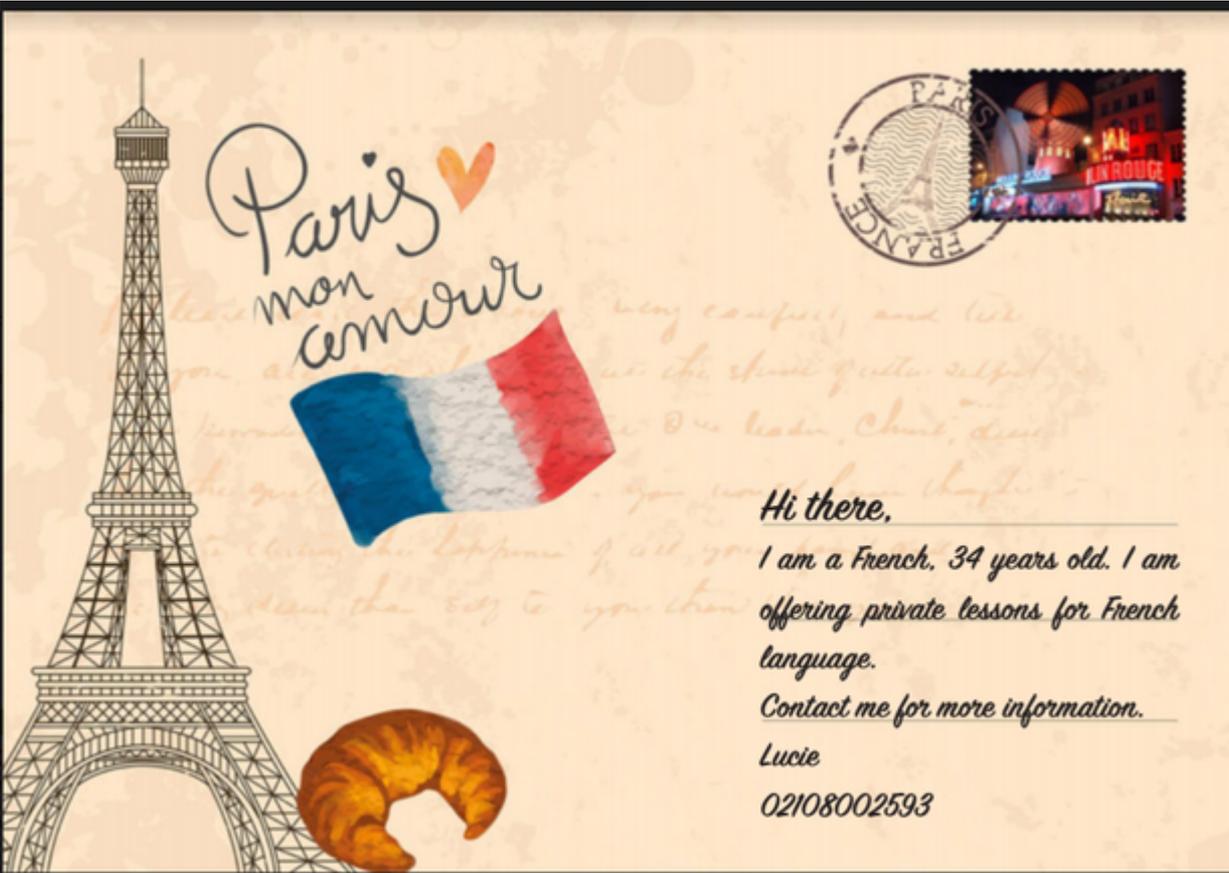
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AFTER AND BEFORE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



Paris mon amour

Hi there,

I am a French, 34 years old. I am offering private lessons for French language.

Contact me for more information.

Lucie

02108002593

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)

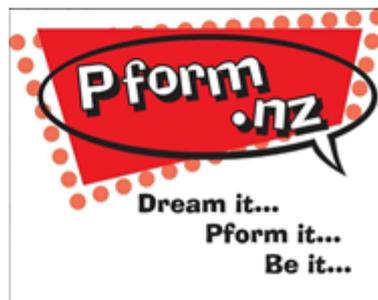
1.30pm Yrs 5&6

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.

We look forward to weaving our magic with your performers!



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**Holiday
Programmes**

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Free Trial Lesson if you don't join!

At Mt Eden Normal Primary School

NEW Fun French class on
Thursdays 3.15-4.15 pm for 5 - 11 years old
In room 20

Professionally developed program for young learners, look at our [Sequential French Programme](#).

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