

Mission Heights Primary School

2018 Information

'Growing Excellence' through innovative and constantly evolving personalised learning

Mission Heights Primary School caters for students from Year 1 to Year 6. The school opened in 2009 and has an approximate roll of 700 students. The school shares a site and many facilities such as the library, fields and shared court area with Mission Heights Junior College.

The first day of school for all students for the 2018 academic year is Tuesday 30th January

2018 School Dates, Public Holidays & Teacher Only Days

Mission Heights Primary School will be open in 2018 during the following periods and closed on Saturdays, Sundays, public holidays and Teacher Only Days.

Term One	Tuesday 30 January	То	Friday 13 April
	Waitangi Day Holiday		Tuesday 6 February
	Good Friday		Friday 30 March
	Easter Monday		Monday 2 April
	Easter Tuesday		Tuesday 3 April
Term Two	Monday 30 April	То	Friday 6 July
	Queen's Birthday Holiday		Monday 4 June
	Teacher Only Day		Tuesday 5 June
Term Three	Monday 23 July	То	Friday 28 September
Term Four	Monday 15 October	То	Friday 14 December
	Labour Day Holiday		Monday 22 October

New Entrants – 5 year olds

At Mission Heights Primary School, the cut-off birth date for students to move from Year 1 to Year 2 is 1st May. This means that a student who has a birth date and starts before 1st May will go into Year 2 the next calendar year.

We carefully look at all students' progress if their birthdays fall within a month either side of 1st May to ensure they are suited socially, academically and physically to the year level their birthday puts them in.

New Entrant Start Dates 2018

There are two intakes each term for students who turn five in order to ensure a smooth, well prepared transition to school.

Term 1:

Intake 1 Tuesday 30th January

Intake 2 Monday 26th February, pre school visits - 14th & 21st February

Term 2:

Intake 1 Monday 30th April, pre school visits -

Intake 2 Wednesday 11th June, pre school visits - 30th May & 6th June

Term 3:

Intake 1 Monday 23rd July, pre school visits -

Intake 2 Monday 27th August, pre school visits - 15th & 22nd August

Term 4:

Intake 1 Monday 15th October, pre school visits - 19th & 26th September Intake 2 Monday 19th November, pre school visits - 7th & 14th November

The school office will invite families to the appropriate pre-school visits. In order to be fully prepared for new students, please ensure the school application form is completed well before these dates.

School Communication

The school encourages all parents and caregivers to support our digital vision by viewing upcoming events, information and newsletters online. Our website address is; http://online.mhp.school.nz.

All newsletters, notices, information and correspondence will be sent to parents by email. Please ensure you advise the school if there are any changes to your email contact details.

Absences can be emailed to <u>absence@mhp.school.nz</u> or a message can be left on the school answer phone.

All teachers can be contacted by their school email address. For all other enquiries/information, please contact admin@mhp.school.nz

School Hours

There are no bells at the start and end of the school day as part of encouraging students to manage themselves to prepare for the school day and take responsibility for their learning. All students who arrive after 8.40am must report to the school reception.

The school timetable is as follows:

8.30am RTL Time – All students must be in their LZ's by this time to start their school day

8.40am Admin/Roll notices etc

8.50am -9.55am Curriculum learning commences

9.55am -10.00am 5 minute healthy eating brain break – fruit/crunchy raw vegetables only

10.00am -11.00am Curriculum learning 11.00am -11.25am Morning break

11.30am -12.40pm ACE – Integrated curriculum

12.40pm -1.30pm Lunch break

1.30pm - 2.50pm Curriculum learning
2.50pm - 3.00pm Enviro duties/pack up
3.00pm School day ends

Compulsory Activity Fees

The payment of activity fees is compulsory and are charged over and above the contribution. These payments include items such as the ACE Programme, Mathletics/Spellodrome and Cross Curricular Print Materials. These fees will be charged and payable with the stationery. Activities such as school camps, field trips, visiting speakers, performers, take home components and Roadshows etc, will be charged when payment is required. They may vary each year depending on your child's programme of study.

School Contribution

It is our aim at Mission Heights Primary School to offer a range of activities to extend and enrich students learning beyond the basic curriculum. This includes specialist teaching, literacy support and our digitally intensive ICT learning environments. These "extras" cannot be fully covered by the Government Grants and the Board of Trustees requests an annual monetary contribution from all parents.

The school contribution is \$200 for one child, \$400 for two children and \$500 for three or more children. A receipt will be issued for the amount received as a donation. This may be used for tax purposes.

School Bank Account Details (online Payments)

The following is the bank account details for parents/caregivers who would prefer to make online payments.

Bank & Branch: ASB Botany

Account #: 12-3233-0051910-00
Reference: Student's Name & details e.g. \$ Smith contribution