



# Mission Heights Primary School

## JUNIOR LEARNING COMMUNITY NEWS - Term 2 2018

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#### Important Date:

11 May – Girls Afternoon Tea  
14 May – Fire Studio Motat Trip  
15 May – Air Studio Motat Trip  
16 May – Earth Studio Motat Trip  
18 May – Friendship Day  
25 May – JLC Assembly  
25 May – School Disco  
4 June – Queens Birthday  
Holiday  
5 June – Teacher Only Day  
8 June – Market Day  
11/15 June – Book Fair Week  
12 June – 3 Way Conferences  
25/26 June – Yr 3 Vector  
Electricity Lessons  
29 June – Pyjama Mufti Day  
4 July – Science/Technology  
Fair  
6 July – Schools close at 1pm



Welcome to another exciting term in the Junior Learning Community. After a long term with lots of stops and starts we are looking forward to a great term of fun and learning in Term 2. We have many exciting learning opportunities planned for you all and can't wait to begin.

As we start Term 2 at Mission Heights Primary we cannot help but look back at all the progress that has been made by the students already this year. Not only have students made great academic progress they have also progressed socially too. They began the year exploring our school values and what it means to be a student at our school. They will continue to explore this in Term 2 and also start looking at a 'MHP Learner Profile' quality each week. The MHP Learner Profile can be found in each students Communication Book.

We have shared many enjoyable learning opportunities in Term 1, both in and out of the Learning Zones/Studios. Year 1 and 2 had their fantastic shared breakfast and the Water and Forest Studios went to MOTAT. Many of the valuable experiences we have we use as a stimulus for writing and the students have written some excellent personal memoirs of these events.

Kayla Hou in LZ 6 writes a poem on the Year 1 Breakfast. 'Did you ever eat breakfast at school? Toast crunching. Milk pouring. Try it!

'Gauri Parmar in LZ 12 writes on the importance of brushing your teeth. 'It's very important to brush your teeth because you might get cavities in your teeth if you don't. You need to brush your teeth every day otherwise they will go rotten and you will get holes in your teeth. You need to brush your teeth every morning and every night, you need to need to brush your teeth for two minutes.'



#### Integrated Studies

This term the Fire, Air and Earth Studios will be investigating forces within the world around us. We will head off to MOTAT to explore and learn more about how forces affect our everyday lives. The

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Forest and Water Studios will be exploring simple machines that we use everyday such as lever, screw, inclined plane, pulleys, wedge and wheel and axle. Students will have the opportunity to investigate different types of machines that can help people by making our work easier. Students will also be establishing how time and change has affected people's lives by looking at different transportation or buildings over time.

### Sickness

Now Autumn is well and truly here, we would like to remind you to make sure your child has his/her fleece jacket in school and any clothing worn under the school uniform must not be visible.

If your child is unwell and off school with colds, coughs and sore throats, please remember to phone or email the office to let us know.

It is also school procedure to keep your child away from school for 24 hours if he/she has vomited or has a stomach upset.



### Girls Event – Friday, 11th May

A reminder that our annual MHP girls event this year will be a "Mama Mia" afternoon tea from 3:30 to 5pm. The girls and their female family members will be treated to pizza, and all manner of Italian games and fun. Tickets (\$10) are now on sale and can be bought at reception up to Wednesday 9th May. One ticket is required for each person attending and attendees will receive pizza, a drink, and a dessert. Girls may wear their Italian styled outfit throughout the day.

### Duty of Care Reminder

A gentle reminder that it is illegal to smack your children in New Zealand, this is in accordance with the Anti Smacking Law which was passed in 2009. We ask that you do not reprimand your child or grandchild by smacking them on the school premises as we are legally obligated to protect children and will have to record the incident. We strongly advise against smacking your child or grandchild on their heads as this can cause traumatic brain injury.

### Uniform

- It is important that students wear their correct uniform to and from school each day.
- Students are no longer allowed to wear long sleeved black tops underneath their short sleeved shirts. They must wear the long sleeved school top.



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- Students must wear the correct black school shoes and the correct length black socks. Students are not to wear ankle socks with their lace-up shoes.
- Please ensure that your child has their PE gear at school every day. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT. Senior students do some form of fitness or sport every day, as such, it is a good idea, if possible, for students to have an extra PE top.

### Junior Learning Community Teachers

The staffing remains unchanged in the Junior Learning Community this term with the exception of Miss Nadine Fiebiger who has started our new students in LZ 9.

Below is a list of the current Junior Learning Community teachers and their contact e-mail addresses. Please contact your child's teacher in the first instance if you have any queries. E-mail is often the best method of communication with your child's teacher as they are often preparing for the day ahead in the mornings and attending meetings after school. You are also able to make an appointment for a longer meeting should you need one, using this method.

Kirsten Meehan Year 2 (LZ 1)	<a href="mailto:kmeehan@mhp.school.nz">kmeehan@mhp.school.nz</a>
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For any other issues regarding the Junior School please contact Mrs Carol Norton [cnorton@mhp.school.nz](mailto:cnorton@mhp.school.nz)

If you have a query or an issue about anything, please talk to your child's teacher in the first instance. E-mail is a great way of contacting the teacher, but we also welcome parents into the school to meet with the teacher. We are available very briefly both before and after school but please make an appointment if you need a longer discussion, as teacher's are busy preparing for the day or attending meetings to have a long discussion.

Thank you

### Junior Learning Community Teachers