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MMI Newsletter No. 12



COMING EVENTS

May 2023

- 19 Super 11 Badminton
- 26 Super 11 Futsal
- 26 Super 11 Squash

June 2023

- 01 School Cross Country
- 02 PSG Bake Sale
- 08 PSG Mufti Day
- 09 Super 11 Ultimate Frisbee
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Term 2, Week 4

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Image: Ultimate Frisbee Comp

MMI ART ROOM NEEDS

- · Old shirts that could be used for art shirts
- Ice cream containers
- Small yoghurt pots

If you can help with any of the above please drop to the school office. Many thanks.



Image: Pink Shirt Day



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Kia ora Parents and Whānau

As a school of nearly 700 emerging adolescents, we often deal with friendship and relationship issues as our young people learn to navigate the complexities of new friendships and changing peer groups.



Image: Melissa Nelson, Principal,

Interacting Positively With Each Other

At this stage of their lives, our children are developing important social skills and learning how to navigate the complexities of relationships. Encouraging positive interactions can greatly contribute to their emotional well-being and overall growth. Here are a few tips to promote healthy interactions:

- 1. Encourage empathy and kindness: Help your children understand the impact of their words and actions on others. Encourage them to be considerate, understanding and compassionate towards their peers.
- 2. Foster open communication: Teach your children the value of effective communication. Encourage them to express their thoughts and feelings respectfully and to actively listen to others without judgment. Making assumptions about things what others have said or might have said, is one of our biggest challenges with this age group.
- 3. Promote teamwork and collaboration: Engage your children in activities that require cooperation and collaboration with their peers. Encourage them to appreciate diverse perspectives and work towards common goals.

Following Our School Values



Our school values serve as a compass for guiding our students' behaviour and act as a framework when thinking about restoring relationships when things have gone wrong.

One of our more challenging values at times, is "pono". I often explain this to children as "doing the right thing, when nobody is watching". It's about owning your actions and being honest, even when we have let ourselves down. Emerging adolescents have a strong sense of justice, but at the same time can be impulsive and spontaneous. You can help your child to navigate challenges by asking them how they feel about what has happened and then getting them to consider alternative perspectives. Getting them to challenge the assumptions they make is also really helpful. Remember; if they haven't seen it with their own eyes, or heard it with their own ears, it MIGHT not be true.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL CONT.



Winter Bugs

We are seeing increasing numbers of students and staff with winter bugs, including COVID. Please remind your child to be careful with hygiene and if your child is very unwell, please keep them at home.



I enjoyed spending lunch time today on the field watching the class-comp final of our Ultimate Frisbee competition. Both teams - from whānau 8 and whānau 14 - did their classes proud. I was super impressed with how they refereed themselves without incident. It was a great example of our school values in action. Congratulations to whānau 14 who won the match by one point.

Have a fantastic weekend everyone.

Ma te wa Whaea Melissa





MMI CULTURAL EXCHANGE



For more information shared on Tuesday evening please email Renee Thurston at r.thurston@mtint.school.nz

Link to the application form



IMPORTANT NOTICES

PICKING UP YOUR CHILD FOR APPOINTMENTS

Of late we have noticed an increase in students leaving during class time for medical appointments or other reasons. We do try to limit interruptions to our students' learning as much as possible. If you can avoid making appointments during the school day we would really appreciate it. If you do need to collect your child at a certain time please tell your child (if possible) and ask them to meet in the student lobby at a certain time. That way we do not interrupt the class. You could also email your teacher and copy in the office@mtint.school.nz.

LOANING OF PE GEAR/UNIFORM

We are regularly loaning out PE uniforms, shoes and other uniform items. Often this is to the same students who are "forgetting" to bring their own. Please remind your child to bring the PE gear every day as even when they are playing on the field at lunchtime they need to be wearing it. We have a small stock of these items so at times we will not be able to oblige.

MAKING PAYMENTS TO THE SCHOOL

When making a payment to our school bank account can we please ask that you put the following details in the fields:

Particulars - What you are paying for Code - Room Number Reference - Child's Name

For example:

Particulars - Basketball Code - Rm 24 Reference - Joe Bloggs

If you need more space for the name please split this between Code and Reference.





ICAS 2023

We are delighted to inform you that Mount Maunganui Intermediate will be participating in the world-renowned ICAS competition this year.



What is ICAS?

ICAS is an online academic competition that is designed to assess students' higher order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee and Digital Technologies.

Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition and development. Every student who participates will receive a printed certificate and an online results report. Top performers will be eligible for medals.

We encourage you to consider entering your child into ICAS this year.

Learn more about ICAS here - https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas

How to participate in ICAS

If you wish for your child to participate in ICAS this year, please:

- 1. Read about ICAS subjects and prices here: (icasassessments.com/products-icas)
- 2. Read the terms and conditions here: (icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/2023-ICAS-Assessments-Parents-PPS-TsCs_final.pdf)
- 3. Go to Parent Portal to purchase tests here: shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps
- 4. Enter our school's access code VXY158
- 5. Enter your child's details, select the tests you would like to purchase, then proceed to payment.

Please note that the ICAS tests shown for selection are at the school's discretion. After payment is made via the Parent Payment System, you will receive an order confirmation email, please keep this for your records.

ICAS Results and Certificates

We will notify you of the date(s) that we run ICAS at the school and when your child's ICAS results are ready. Once we have received your child's ICAS certificate, we will send it home with your child. The back of the certificate shows ICAS results and the login details, "TAP ID and Pin", that you and your child need to enter the Results Portal ortices assessments.com/ortiStudent

If you have any questions about the ICAS Assessments please contact Shem Banbury - s.banbury@mtint.school.nz



JAPANESE HOMESTAY

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IN OCTOBER 2023?

This year in February we hosted a group of students from Ritsumeikan JHS. It was a very positive experience and the students loved staying with some lucky families from MMI.

Another group is returning in October this year.

If you are interested in Hosting a homestay student for 2 weeks in Term 3 please fill out the google form.

You will be providing homestay for a single student. You need to be able to provide the student with their own room.





OUR HAPPY PLACE

We are excited to announce that Mount Maunganui Intermediate has implemented a new program called 'Our Happy Place'. This programme is designed to equip our students with the knowledge, tools and mindset they need to thrive in every area of their lives.

We understand the importance of promoting and protecting Mental Wellbeing among our students and this program allows us to do just that. Our Happy Place is a platform that provides students with the resources they need to live a happy and fulfilling life, both while they are in school and beyond. More details can be found here - https://yourhappyplace.org.nz/

Students will be working through different sessions per week, with each session lasting around 10-15 minutes long. We will provide details about these sessions in our newsletter so you can support your child and follow these up at home.

The topics we are currently covering are:

SESSION 21 - ATTITUDE

This session is all about 'attitude' - a great attitude will take you far along any path you want to go.

We discuss some of the things that create a great attitude like: effort, enthusiasm, energy and a smile!

SESSION 22 - POSITIVE TEAMS

Session 22 looks at the different teams we are part of, such as family, school/class teams, sport, clubs.

We discuss the positive and negatives to the teams and how, if we lead with a positive example, others will follow. Students are encouraged to start by thanking one of their team members for something they have done \odot



ROOM 14 LUNCHTIME COMPETITION

Lunchtime comp is an interclass competition that modifies normal sports into exciting new ones that targets mostly everyone's abilities. Lunchtime comp can be very competitive and tough as well. Around a week before each one starts the rules are sent out. Having that week gives classes time to learn the game, skills and try out strategies.

The purpose of lunchtime comp is to improve the physical skills, leader skills and it provides enjoyment. Lunchtime comp also can keep you fit. Some of the sports we have already done this year are 2 Ball Sogby, Ultimate Frisbee, Sprint Wheel Relay and coming up in week 6 is Arunga Touch.

Room 14 has the big responsibility of organising and setting up all of the equipment used in lunchtime comp. We take time out of our day to count bands and make sure that nothing is missing. We also have to measure up the fields so they are exact. Not every field is used each day so we need to check the daily draw.

By Enzo, Ollie (Room 14)

KIWI CAN

Reliability is the first sub-topic we are focusing on this term. In our recap we go over what reliability means, and get examples of how we can be a reliable person. Who are people we rely on in our everyday lives? Why can others rely on us? And why is it important to be reliable?

We've had some great answers from students such as:

- "Our teacher relies on us to do our work when they are away."
- "If my training starts at 5pm, I either turn up on time or earlier."
- "Consistency: If we consistently show that we can be counted on, people will have trust in us."

Our learning intention is: "To be a reliable person in a group setting."

We aim to show this in our energizer (King Dodgeball) & activity (A ship came into the harbour) this week as they both have us working in teams. During our discussions, students have shared examples like "reliability can be shown by trusting your teammates to get you back into the game of dodgeball" or "helping each other come up with answers in the activity."

MMI COASTAL VALUES



MMI students are active learners



MMI students show aroha, respect and mana



MMI students act with integrity, pride and honesty



MMI students know their identity

COASTAL VALUE CERTIFICATES 2023 Term 2 - Week 4

1	Leo McKenzie	For showing dedication in all new learning. Your perseverance and growth mindset is inspirational, Leo! Kei te whakahīhī au ki a koe!
2	Toa Broughton- Carter	For your perseverance and determination in cross country training! Kia kaha e tama! Keep it up!
3	Ariana Viljoen	For amazing book work presentation. Your title pages and sketch notes are outstanding!!
4	William Hyatt	For the improvements you have made in class to be more focussed on your learning. You have demonstrated ako and supported others who needed it. He whetū koe!
5	Abi Robinson	For your positive attitude towards all learning and your improvements in our measurement unit. You are doing a fantastic job, Abi. Keep up the great work.
6	Clara Jackson	For your great organisation and dedication to everything ICT and commitment to gardening club. He rawe tō āwhina mai.
7	Ashlee Trappitt	For taking yourself out of your comfort zone and participating in lunchtime comp and really enjoying yourself! It's wonderful to see your fun and bubbly personality in whānau 7. Mīharo!
8	Micah Fuller	Great organisation of your Science Fair project so far. You are on track to complete it ahead of time, well done!
9	Zoey Reid-Stowers	For consistently demonstrating our school value of Ako. I am so impressed by the work you are doing in reading Zoey. Ka pai tō mahi!
10	Sophie Waddell	Always managing your time well, asking for support when you need it and being a positive student and friend.
11	Judy Kim	For the improvement you have shown in your writing and for taking on leadership roles. Te mutunga mai o te pai.
13	Daniel Kelliher	For taking the lead on the video editing for assembly. It was so pleasing to see you use your skills and drive the project forward. You have shown a great mix of Ako and Tuakiri. Ka pai!
14	Kiarn Fe'ao	For your developing involvement and participation, accompanied by contributions to activities and discussions. It's really good to see the positive confidence growth.

COASTAL VALUE CERTIFICATES 2023 Term 2 – Week 4

15	Beau McNutt	For demonstrating Ako and Pono in your learning especially your descriptive writing with Gallipoli postcard and effort in cross country training. Tino pai tō mahi! Very good work!
16	Emerson Panettiere-Brown	For your managing yourself well and constantly displaying the coastal values with a smile and beautiful manners. Well done Emerson, keep it up!
18	Gwyneth Parchomchuk	For having a positive attitude and contributing to a supportive classroom environment. Your kindness and willingness to help your classmates is greatly appreciated.
19	Elijah Pene	For your consistent drive to learn. You display Ako by getting involved in a variety of both academic and sporting opportunities and working hard in everything you do. Ka pai tō mahi!
20	Cade Ashton	For showing our school value of Ako. You are always engaged in our learning in Whānau 20 by listening and contributing in lessons. You input is always thoughtful and relevant to what we are learning. Ka pai tō mahi Cade!
21	Xavier Russell	For showing great leadership skills when teaching our class new games during te reo Māori lessons. Kei runga noa atu koe!
25	Elise Haffelder	For your enthusiasm towards all aspects of learning. Your curiosity and excitement is contagious and I love your willingness to share your ideas. Ka rawe!
Digi Tech	Pourewa Rangi Whānau 11	For always being an excellent listener and creative during your time Digi Tech. Tino pai Pourewa!
Dance & Drama	Jeanne Fromont Whānau 7	For demonstrating ako and tuakiri in dance and drama always. Your positivity, determination and creativity is a gift to every group you work within in and help to lead. Kei runga noa atu koe Jeanne.
Food Tech	Henry Henderson Whānau 25	For actively seeking new knowledge, asking questions and eagerly participating in class discussions. Such a great start to the new rotation Henry!
Visual Arts	OJ Su'a Whānau 14	For an awesome cycle of work. You were always focused, positive and so helpful with your peers and in the classroom environment, thank you.
Hard Materials	Gwyneth Parchomchuk Whānau 18	For showing originality, accuracy and careful presentation with her chalkboard-project.
Kiwi Can	Harper Young Whānau 14	For great use of Ako. You stepped up to the class challenge of showing initiative and organisation skills. You have done a great job Harper. Ka pai tō mahi!

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MOUNT MAUNGANUI

USEFUL INFORMATION

TERM DATES

Term 1 – 31 January to 6 April Term 2 – 24 April to 30 June Term 3 – 17 July to 22 September Term 4 – 9 October to 14 December

MEDICATION

If your child has a severe medical condition or needs to take medication at school please contact the office at: office@mtint.school.nz

SCHOOL DROP OFF

These are NOT drop off zones:

- Lodge Avenue Staff Carpark
- Lodge Avenue Turn Around
- The Bus Bay on Links Avenue

This is for the safety of your children, when dropping off or picking them up. Please refrain from entering and parking in these areas.

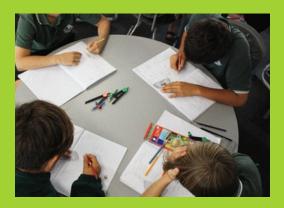
CHANGE OF DETAILS

It would greatly assist us if you could please advise the office if you have any changes of address, phone numbers, email addresses and emergency contact details. In the event of an emergency, sickness or injury we need to be able to contact someone who can collect your child.

Please email the office at office@mtint.school.nz

KEY LINKS

- ABSENTEES
- **BELL TIMES**
- **BUS INFORMATION**
- **ONLINE PAYMENTS**
- ORDERING LUNCHES
- PARENT PORTAL
- SCHOOL UNIFORM



COMMUNICATION

Checkout out our website, newsletters, daily notices and Facebook links.

https://mtint.school.nz/

https://mtint.school.nz/mmi-daily-notices/ https://www.facebook.com/Mtint.school.nz/ https://mtint.school.nz/newsletters/

YUMMY STICKERS



COLLECT YUMMY STICKERS CAN HELP EARN MMI FREE SPORTS GEAR!!

A SHARE OF \$200,000 FREE SPORTS GEAR AVAILABLE TO EVERY PRIMARY AND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL IN NEW ZEALAND'S NORTH ISLAND.

What to do: Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cut-out label is worth 10 stickers) and individual Yummy apple stickers. Hand these stickers to your child's classroom teacher and they will earn house points as well.

Where from: Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'nSAVE and participating Four Square stores.

The more you collect, the more sports gear we get so get going and start collecting your Yummy cut-out labels and stickers now!











DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE A WIGGLY TOOTH?

Your child losing their first tooth is a rite of passage and usually happens at around six years of age. The tooth comes loose then falls out, leaving a gap for the adult tooth.

This continues up until age 12, when all the baby teeth have usually fallen out.

It is okay to have your children wiggle and [for you to] wobble their teeth to help them come out. Just make sure you have clean hands and just try and grab it and gently wiggle it. Over a few days to a week or two it will come out.

After your child's tooth falls out, the gum area may be a little tender and sore.

It's still important to keep up tooth brushing and oral hygiene. Follow these five tips for a healthy smile.

- Brush twice a day with a fluoride toothpaste.
- Have regular dental check-ups.
- Lift the lip every month and check your child's teeth and gums.
- Choose healthy snacks.
- · Drink water or milk.





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The Tauranga City U13 football team need some more keen football players to join their team. If you are interested in playing this season, register at tcafc.co.nz





Tune In

Beginner piano lessons

First lesson free

Crane St, Mt Maunganui

Contact Rachel: hello@tunein.co.nz

027 856 8324



TRIPLE P-POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM

Triple P positive parenting program FREE for parents, whanau caregivers with children aged up to 16yrs.

To find out more information please contact Ardell on 0273112140 or 07 571 0144 or visit www.triplep-parenting.net.



