



Team 2 Newsletter

Term 1, 2018

Welcome back to Term 1, 2018! We hope you have had a great holiday, relaxing and spending time together with family and friends.

Below is the configuration of Team 2 for 2018.
Cheryl Isherwood (Team Leader & Year 1/2 Teacher, Mahuri Hub)
Alison Lilley (Year 2 Teacher – Hakatere)
Hannah Gold (Year 2 Teacher – Hakatere G)

Sun Hats

During Term 1 & 4 at MPS it is compulsory to wear a sunhat during 1st and 2nd lunch. Your child needs a RED BUCKET hat with a WIDE brim (NO COPS). These can be bought at the school office. Please ensure that the sunhat is clearly named.

Swimming

We will be swimming daily this term. Your child needs to bring their togs daily, wet or fine. Please ensure that their togs, towel and swimming equipment eg: cap, goggles etc are named clearly. Girls with long hair need to have their hair tied up during swimming.

Drink bottles

We encourage each child to bring a named drink bottle (filled with ONLY water!!) to use throughout the day.

Library Exchange

We will be having our library exchange on **Friday morning**. If you could get your child to put their books in their bags on Thursday night that would be appreciated.

Home Learning - approx. 15-20 mins max daily Reading

The children will come home each day with a book which they have read that day or from their browsing box to read each day. Please ensure that these books are returned daily and that their diary is signed to show you have read with them.

Numeracy

We will be sending home Monster Maths activities for your child to do a couple days a week. If you need guidance on how to use this, please talk to your child's teachers on what to do.

Wordlab

Your child will have a list of 5 words to learn over the week. There will be a small test each Friday on these words.

Topic

Our Integrated Inquiry for Term 1 & 2 is Whanaungatanga, & Tangata Whenuatanga looking at the bicultural heritage of NZ and how it influences our lives and comparing our society with that of other countries.

Parent Help

We will be asking for parent help again this year. A notice will be coming out soon with the times that we will be asking for support. Please fill in it and send back to class and we will contact you,

STAR Values

We will start from the beginning of this year with the MPS STAR certificate. The children will be working towards obtaining 12 stickers on their certificate for each of our values. Once the 12 are awarded the children will receive their collector card. If by the end of the year, they have been awarded all 4 collector cards they will receive their MPS STAR bracelet. The skills involved in each value will be taught throughout our daily programmes.



Seesaw

We will be using Seesaw as a team to share with you your child's learning that occurs throughout the year. Further information will be coming out about how you join this at a later date.

School Times

School is open from 8.30am – 3.30pm each day. Children are not to arrive at school before 8.30am. We would like, the children to arrive here by 8.50am so they have time to organise and ready themselves for the day.

Absences

If your child is absence for a day or more please ensure that you ring into the office (302 8500) leaving a message clearly stating the name of the class your child is in and why they are absence for the day. Alternatively, you can speak to the teacher or contact them through the below email.

If you are needing to meet with the teacher with an issue that will need a longer discussion, please contact us and we will arrange a convenient time.

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We are looking forward to working with you this year.

Cheryl, Alison & Hannah.

