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Mt Roskill Intermediate Newsletter

Dear Parents/Caregivers and Students

2019 Term Dates:

This year the school will be open for students on the following dates:

Term 1:	Thursday 7 th February	-	Friday 12 th April
Term 2:	Monday 29 th April	-	Friday 5 th July
Term 3:	Monday 22 nd July	-	Friday 27 th September
Term 4:	Monday 14 th October	-	Friday 20 th December

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS FOR 2019: The school will be closed on these days:

Good Friday	-	19 th April (Friday)	in holidays
Easter Monday	-	22 nd April (Monday)	in holidays
Tuesday after Easter	-	23 rd April (Tuesday)	in holidays
Anzac Day	-	25 th April (Thursday)	in holidays
Queen's Birthday	-	3 rd June (Monday)	in Term 2
Labour Day	-	28 th October (Monday)	in Term 4

Dates to Remember:

School finishes for the term on	-	Friday 12 th April
Term 2—first day	-	Monday 29 th April
Open Day/EXPO	-	Tuesday 30 th July

Principal's Report

This term has continued to be a busy and exciting one! Year 8 are enjoying their new furniture and Year 7 are enjoying the new renovated classrooms. Our Year 8 Camp in the middle of March was very successful and the students were engaged in many varied activities.

Thank you to the families who have supported us by being part of classroom and sporting trips as well as Year 8 camp, enabling them to take place. Your involvement is appreciated. The recent Year 7 Kapa haka trip to Waitangi was valuable learning and connecting as a group and whanau.

In response to the recent Terrorist Attack in Christchurch, the Ministry of Education has developed resources to support students. This includes guidance for families to help you support your children who viewed footage of the attacks. Resources are available via this link: <http://education.govt.nz/news/advice-regarding-children-and-young-people-who-have-seen-christchurch-attack-video-or-manifesto/>. If you are worried at all about your child and the effect this has had on them and would like the school to seek additional support, please let your child's teacher know in the first instance.

Lockdown: We have recently undertaken a planned lockdown drill with the other Mt Roskill Campus Schools, Mt Roskill Primary and Mt Roskill Grammar. Students were made aware that this was going to happen. The practice drill went smoothly.

In the event of a lockdown, we ask that parents DO NOT come to school, as this can place you in danger, and we are unable to let you into any part of the school. Staff and children can only be released from a lockdown situation by me or the deputy principals in person. We communicate directly with staff to keep them aware of the situation and also liaise directly with the Police. We will communicate any lockdowns to parents through our school App, email and School Webpage. I would encourage you to download our school app from School Stream. Thank you for your support with this.

Our main school fundraising event, a Knowledge ATHON, will take place next term. The funds raised contribute to resourcing and events such as 'Art Week', additional library resources and sporting equipment that we would not otherwise be able to provide. We appreciate your support in encouraging your child to participate. Donations of any prizes would be greatly appreciated.

Sadly, at the end of this term we will be farewelling Tennyson Centre Director Mrs Margaret Gaiqui. Mrs Gaiqui is retiring after more than thirty years service at Mt Roskill Intermediate School. Mrs Gaiqui was also a foundation pupil of the school. We wish her all the very best in this new chapter of her life.

I am also sad to let you know that Deputy Principal Mrs Toreka Brain will be leaving us at the end of Term two. Mrs Brain has accepted the Deputy Principal position next door at Mt Roskill Primary school to gain leadership experience working with younger primary school students. We are pleased that we will continue to work with her across the wider Campus and in our Kahui Ako (Community of Learning Schools). We will celebrate Mrs Brain at the end of next term. The Board Of Trustees will begin the process of appointing a new Deputy Principal.

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Have a safe and enjoyable upcoming holiday break. The last day of Term 1 is Friday 12th April, Term 2 commences Monday 29th April. We look forward to continuing to work with you next term.

Kristen Walsham
Principal

He taonga rongonui te aroha ki te tangata
Goodwill towards others is a precious treasure

Board of Trustees Elections

The triennial Board of Trustees elections are being held this year. For those who have an interest in standing, it is a good idea to find out more about the role by speaking with the Board Chairperson, Roger Deverell (Ph. 626-3166), or any of the other current Board members. You may also want to consider attending the next Board meeting on the 20th May which is just prior to the close of nominations.

Key Dates:

Nominations Close: Noon Friday 24 May
Voting Papers Sent by: Wednesday 29 May
Voting Closes: Noon Friday 7 June
Board Takes Office: Friday 14 June

The present Board of Trustees' members are:-

Chairperson: Mr R. Deverell
Principal: Mrs K. Walsham
Secretary: Mr R. Berry
Staff Trustee: Mrs M. Levy
Members: Mr J. Bruce, Mrs N. Baker, Mr Y. Al-Afaghani, Mrs A. D'Costa, Mrs K. Martin

School Reports:

During 2019 each student will receive two full written reports and parents will have the opportunity to discuss their child's learning on two occasions..

<i>Term 1</i>	Learning Conversations - Parent/student/teacher were on 6th & 7th March
<i>Term 2</i>	Full Written Report - Friday 5th July
<i>Term 3</i>	Learning Conversations; - 7th and 8th August
<i>Term 4</i>	Full written report , 17th December

Lunch menu

Ezlunch orders – Available every day!

Support our school and get a fab fresh lunch! You can easily order and pay for your ezlunch using your “mykindo” family account. Mykindo is a payment portal for a variety of services at schools and clubs. Your mykindo account can be topped up by debit or credit card (fees apply), or by bank transfer, in advance or at the time of purchase.

To get started, create an account or log in to your existing mykindo account and add a student at this school. For help visit support.mykindo.co.nz or call 0800 EZLUNCH 8am to 4pm school days. (Auckland (09) 475 5287) www.ezlunch.co.nz www.mykindo.co.nz

Order **any time before 9am** on the day or schedule in advance. Lunch will be delivered to school at lunchtime. A percentage of sales goes to school fundraising – easy for you and great for the school!

School Stream App

This is a great way to stay in touch via your smart iphone / tablet with easy access to school newsletters, website, upcoming events etc. Instructions on how to get the School Stream app on your mobile device are below:

iPhone /iPad iOS

1. From your mobile device go to the App Store search for School Stream
2. Tap the FREE/GET button to the right of the School Stream listing
3. Tap the INSTALL button
4. Enter your Apple ID and password & tap OK
5. Wait for the install icon to change to OPEN. Tap the OPEN button
6. You will be prompted to accept push notifications, you will need to select OK
7. Start typing Mt Roskill Intermediate into the search then SELECT Mt Roskill Intermediate

Android / Tablet

1. From your mobile device go to the Play Store search for School Stream
2. Tap the School Stream Listing
3. Tap the INSTALL button
4. Tap the ACCEPT button
5. Wait for the app to install then tap the OPEN button
6. Start typing Mt Roskill Intermediate into the search then SELECT Mt Roskill Intermediate
7. Tap the DONE button in the top left.

Safety at the School Gate Programme

This term, the Mt Roskill School Cluster (Mt Roskill Primary, Intermediate and Grammar) is participating in Auckland Transport's, Safety at the School Gate programme.

Safety at the School Gate is helping to improve safety as well as traffic flow around schools. Parking officers are on patrol outside your child's school this term to observe non-compliant behaviour and issue infringement tickets to those who are not complying with the rules. The agreed approach is "zero tolerance".

Stopping even momentarily to drop off passengers can compromise children's safety. You will get a ticket if you are double parked, parked on yellow lines, or over someone's driveway — as well as other vehicle safety offenses.

Please park appropriately to keep our children safe and to avoid being ticketed. *Please do not bring vehicles into the school grounds to drop off or pick up students.*

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sports

Boys Cricket Update

Since the last newsletter, the Boys' team has played two more matches. On Tuesday 19th we played Ponsonby Intermediate and got them out for a low score which we chased down without any trouble. On Thursday 21st, we travelled to Northcote Intermediate and elected to bat first. Our top half performed really well amassing 233-3 in 20 overs. Mohammad Khan made 46, Jordan Nethula 55no and captain Harshit Verma led from the front with an unbeaten 99 (so unlucky not to reach his century). Our bowlers then got Northcote all out for 87 in 16 overs.

We had then won two games and lost one. Our final match was against Blockhouse Bay to see who would progress to the Finals round. Unfortunately our batting, for once, let us down and we were dismissed for 60. BBI managed to reach the target with the loss of 4 wickets. We have now completed our matches for the season.

Ross Berry

Term 1 Sport

This term has been a busy one with a number of students representing the school in Central Zone tournaments. So far, they have participated in Tennis, Softball, Swimming and Orienteering where students performed very well. We also have teams competing in the League Tag tournament in week 10.

Training has started for Waterpolo and we are in the process of finalising teams to play in the Saturday Netball competition.

The girls and boys Football Academies have been selected and they have been training for Central Zone competitions in Football and Futsal that will be happening next term.

The boys Rugby academy has also been selected in preparation for Central Zone next term.

A very big thank you to the parents who have been helping select and coach the teams. Your help is much appreciated.

Steph McCallum
Sports Co-ordinator

Tennyson Centre News

On Tuesday 26.3.2019 the Tennyson Centre travelled to Mt Smart Stadium to compete in the first Special Olympics event of the year. The students participated with a great attitude in various running races over 50 and 100 metre distances as well as the softball throw. We all had a fantastic day!

On Friday 29.3.2019 the annual Adapted Sports day event held at Mt Roskill Primary school took place. The students participated in a range of target throwing, timed obstacle courses and the running races at the end! The event was superb and the students from various special schools around Auckland had a really enjoyable time! Thank you to all the staff and parent support for both of these events.

Bradley Healey (Room 5 teacher and Tennyson Centre Sports & P.E. coordinator)

School Costs:

The Board of Trustees has endeavoured to keep the school costs as low as possible. We are only able to keep the School Donation (\$125.00) at this level because of the support of our community.

The School Donation assists with materials for Specialist classes (e.g. food, wood etc) that your child uses as well as ongoing purchasing and repair of items such as P.E. equipment.

This year we will be sending out a request for the donation each term. Invoices were sent out in the middle of March this term. The total cost is \$125.00 for the year. If you would like to make staggered donations, please contact the office and individual arrangements will be made.

Payments can be made monthly throughout the year and receipts are issued each time.

We welcome payments (or part payments) direct into our bank account —12 3043 0245466 00. Any payment must show — child's name, room number and a brief description (i.e. Donation).

Athon

Our annual major fund raising event - a General-Knowledge – Athon, will be held in Term 2. Information about this will come out in May. We will be looking to acknowledge those students who are particularly successful in this by awarding prizes to the top individuals and classes.

If you know of sources that could donate prizes for our Athon, please contact our school office.

Educational Opportunities for Students at Mt Roskill Intermediate School:

This year students at MRI have the opportunity to apply for two educational trips.

Ski Trip At the end of August, 18 students and staff will travel to Queenstown to experience skiing at Cardrona and Remarkables ski-fields. As well as 4 days skiing there is a day of excursion to Arrowtown Museum, Skyline gondola and luge. The trip will cost \$1880.00. Students have been selected.

Japan Trip In November, 18 students and 3 teachers will travel to Japan, staying for approximately 8 days. Interviews will take place next week and a selection made. Students will travel to Fukuoka where they will be hosted for four nights in Munakata and also to Osaka and Tokyo. The cost is estimated to be approximately \$3,800.

Students from Japan will be visiting in early August and will be hosted by our students for five nights.

More information will be available from Mr Berry (Deputy Principal) shortly.

School Bus from Papatoetoe / Mangere Bridge

Kiwi Coaches has a school bus running from Papatoetoe to both Mt Roskill Grammar and Mt Roskill Intermediate School.

The Bus starts from Papatoetoe (old) bus stop on Station Rd opposite the railway station at 7.20am, along Station Rd to Portage Rd and into Bucklands Rd, to Robertson Rd, Favona Rd, Miller Rd, Wallace Rd, around Mangere Mountain to Muir Ave, Yorkton Rise, Kiwi Esplanade, Church Rd and onto the Motorway, off at Hillsborough. We can get off at Queenstown Rd and double back to Royal Oak if required and along Mt Albert Rd.

We use the bus stop on Carr Rd just before the roundabout. We start from this bus stop for the afternoon run and do the run opposite to the above. If you are interested please contact Kiwicaches 636 5232 or 021 608 548.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Lion Budokan Karate International

Lion Budokan Karate International holds classes for age 6 years and above on Tuesday and Thursday from 6.30pm to 7.15pm at Mt Roskill Intermediate. Enrolments are open now!

To enrol now or for more information call
admin@budokan.co.nz 09-972 2215 / 021-188 7250.

Piano and Keyboard Lessons

Learn to play the piano or keyboard at Mt Roskill Intermediate

Individual lessons are available after school and last for half an hour. The cost is \$30.00 per lesson (one lesson per week).

For enquiries or bookings phone: Mrs Glenda Gordon 817-3498

Kip McGrath After-school tuition 75 Carr Rd, Mt Roskill

At **Kip McGrath** we help students for lower fees and guarantee improvement or your money back. For more information on how we can help your child, holiday lessons, dyslexia screening or a free no obligation assessment.

Contact Paul or Jenny on 620 1277.

KARATE

GKR Karate has non-contact classes for all ages 5 and up. Karate is based on self defence and is great for discipline, focus, and fitness! Our classes are fun for the whole family.

For more information call Callum on 021 2999 560 or Auckland 09 947 6656 Classes - Monday at Mt Roskill Intermediate school.

Clip'n climb 610 Dominion Rd Auckland Phone 09 630 6040

Re-opening Friday 12th April 2019
Come join us for some school holiday fun!

Ages 2-7 \$15pp Ages 7-74 \$18pp Ages 74+ free
Leap of Faith \$5 *Giant Drop \$5

* Leap of Faith + Giant Drop Combo \$9

Group pricing 10-19 climbers \$18pp 20+ climbers \$17pp
Bookings essential

For more information—email clipnclimbdominionroad@gmail.com

Skids Mt Roskill Primary School, Frost Rd, Mt Roskill Holiday Programme



* Work and Income NZ Oscar subsidy available * Full Day (on site 8am to 6pm) \$50.00 * Short Day 8:30am to 3:30pm \$38.00
* Trip Day 8am to 6pm \$65.00 * Bookings cannot be cancelled once holiday starts. * For more information call 275 3458 or 021 105 5303 or 0800-900-75437 * email: mtroskill@skids.co.nz
* Register now at www.skids.co.nz, click on Parent Login

Monday 15 April Japanese High tea— & create a blossom tree
Tuesday 16th April Foodstorm -cooking delicious food
Wednesday 17th April Movies -bring your favourite snack
Thursday 18th April Easter extravaganza - Easter egg hunt
Closed Friday 19th April—Easter

Monday 22nd April Closed Easter Monday
Tuesday 23rd April Anzac Day Tribute - Make poppy flowers/wreath
Wednesday 24th April Mobile Laser Arena - competitive /fun activity
Closed Thursday 25th April - Anzac Day
Friday 26th April—Skids party - Dress up for the party

Mt Roskill Library Holiday Programme

To book, phone 09 377 0209

email MtRoskillLibrary@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Tuesday 16 April 2pm-3pm GKR Karate workshop for ages 5 –12.
Come and learn cool karate actions from experts! Bookings essential.

Wednesday 24th April 2pm-3:30pm Family movie afternoon. An afternoon of popcorn and movie fun!

Friday 16th April 10:30am-12:30pm Robogals workshop for ages 8-12. Come and join a fun robotics workshop presented by Robogals, group of engineering students from Auckland University. Bookings essential

Throughout the holidays for the juniors - Get a scavenger hunt sheet at the desk for 'The clue is in the poo scavenger hunt' (Use your investigative skills to match the animal culprits with their droppings)
Other libraries: Mt Albert mtalberlibrary@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz & Epsom (Epsom.library@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz)

Mt Roskill RFC Junior Rugby

Play Junior Rugby - boys and girls under 5's to under 13years.
www.sporty.co.nz/roskilljuniorRFC * Facebook: Mt Roskill Junior Rugby * Clubrooms - 33 Akarana Ave, Mt Roskill.

For information: Jono Koefoed 022 655 8119 or jono.koefoed@gmail.com

Ripper Rugby is the perfect introduction to Rugby for 3 to 7 year olds. - Non contact version of Rugby, no tackling, just ripping a velcro tag from the opposition's belt-line.

Under 5's grade will be played at 4:30pm Fridays at Fearon Park.

Under 6s & Under 7s and all Tackle Rugby from Under 8s to

Under 13s on Saturdays

Register today

This term IHub (Intermediate version of Skids) will be running an after school care at Mt Roskill Primary. For any queries, ring Hazel or George on 275-3458 or 0800 900 754 or email george@skids.co.nz

