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MT ROSKILL INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
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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:

Meet the Teachers/Staff	-	Wednesday 20 th February 5 -7pm
Pasifika Fono	-	Tuesday 26 th February 6 - 7:30pm
Goal-setting meetings	-	6 th and 7 th March
Year 8 Camp	-	11 th -15 th March

Principal's Report

Welcome to all of our new families and those who have children returning to our wonderful school. It has been a great start to the school year and fantastic to meet so many parents here at the school on the first day.

We hope you and your child found the Powhiri welcoming. Thank you for choosing to send your child to Mount Roskill Intermediate School, we really look forward to working with you! Intermediate school offers many opportunities and it is really important to make the most of them and try new things. There are many sporting and cultural activities as well as areas to help out in such as the library and leadership roles. All of these add to your child's education, because learning happens beyond the classroom as well and these experiences build skills and confidence.

We believe that students learn best when they are happy, feel safe and know that they are valued. This is the environment that we work hard to create and maintain. We welcome your input and involvement! Please let us know if there are any specific areas that you are keen to be involved in. We can make a big difference to your child's learning when we work together to support them.

Meet the Teacher / Staff: We would love to meet you **next Wednesday 20th February between 5-7pm**. This will be a chance to meet your child's new teacher and wider school staff and members of the Board of Trustees, along with other families. It is an informal meeting time where we will have games set up on the field and courts and space for picnicking. You are welcome to bring along a picnic tea to sit and have at this time.

We are fortunate to have appointed additional high quality staff. We welcome:

Mrs Alicia England	Room 29	Year 8	Learning Leader
Ms Nathania Free	Room 18	Year 8	
Mr Dan Cavit	Room 22	Year 8	
Mrs Jennifer Fong	Room 30	Year 8	
Mr Lloyd Eveni	Room 24	Year 8	
Mr Mark Thompson	Room 14	Year 7	
Ms Chelsea Lee	Room 7	Year 7	
Mr Lee Wallace	Room 8	Year 7	

We have a wonderful team of staff here at Mount Roskill Intermediate. We all love this school and community and are excited to work with you.

Congratulations to our Year 8 House Captains and Sports Captains for 2019. We have an outstanding group of talented leaders who all bring different qualities and perspectives to the role.

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Goal setting meetings: Triadic Goal setting/ learning conversations meetings. This is where your child's class teacher will meet with you and your child to share your child's strengths and set learning goals for the first part of this year. These meetings will take place on the 6th and 7th March. More information and how to book a time, will come home shortly.

Year 8 Camp: Our Motu Moana Camp will take place for Year 8 Students later this term so that the fantastic benefits and learning from camp can be built on throughout the remainder of the year. Outdoor education is an important part of learning that gives students the opportunity to learn outside the walls of the classroom. This is where they develop new skills of working with others cooperatively, problem solving to achieve goals, face fears and conquer challenges. We encourage all Year 8 students to take up this opportunity and will need parents and adults to help with camp. Please contact the school if you are able to assist with camp in any way.

We look forward to working with you this year.

Ko ia kāhore nei I rapu, tē kitea. He who does not seek will not find.

Kristen Walsham
Principal

School Board of Trustees:

The Board of Trustees oversees the management of the school. The Board works with the Principal, staff and community to set school goals and plans, and to check progress against those plans. The Principal manages the day-to-day activities of the school.

If you are interested in the work of the School Board of Trustees, please contact the school or the Chairperson (Mr Roger Deverell PH 626-3166 or 021 539 266). Meetings are held at the school on the third Monday of each month at 7.00pm.

The present Board of Trustees' members are:-

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

Uniforms:

We are proud of our school uniform and appreciate the support of parents in ensuring that the correct uniform is worn. Uniforms can be ordered through Argyle Online.

School Caps

We recommend that regulation caps are worn during the hot summer season. The black school Caps are now in stock and can be purchased at the school office for \$10.00. The green caps are still available at the office for \$7.00. Please write your child's name in the cap.

Sports shoes are not to be worn with the day uniform; they may be worn for sports and physical education.

For girls required to wear a head scarf for religious reasons, the plain white scarf is available at the office for \$12.50.

Year 8 Camp 11th -15th March

2019 Outdoor Education camp for Year 8 students will be held from 11th to 15th March. Camp is an important part of the Outdoor Education curriculum and we hope all students will attend.

The camps are to be held at Motu Moana Scout Camp in Green Bay and at off site bases around Auckland. The anticipated cost for the week activities will be \$170.00. Payment can be made to the office or through the school bank account 12 3043 0245466 00. Please show child's name, room no. and a brief description (ie. Camp). A receipt will be issued.

Consent and Medical forms went home with students last week. Please return to the class teacher.

Please contact the office if you can help on any of the days during Camp week.

2019 Staff

Parents will shortly receive a note from teachers indicating a regular time each week that staff will be available for consultation regarding the progress and welfare of pupils. If at any time you would like to discuss aspects of school life or any areas of concern, please telephone the School Office (620-8508) and an appointment will be arranged. Newsletters will be sent out during the first week of each month and at other times as needed.

Principal: Mrs Kristen Walsham **Deputy Principals:** Mr Ross Berry
Mrs Toreka Brain
Mrs Tracey Hughes

Tennyson Centre Director: Mrs Margaret Gaiqui

Administration: Mrs Jill Grant Mrs Beverley Gross Mrs Anne Barriball
Mrs Andrea Hannaford Mrs Rochelle Dewe

TEACHING STAFF:

Year 7

Room 1 Mrs Karin Collings - *Pastoral Support*
2 Mrs Stephanie McCallum - *Sport*
7 Ms Chelsea Lee
8 Mr Lee Wallace
9 Ms Christine McIntosh
10 Ms Sophie Sills
11 Mrs Nicky Fleming - *Learning Leader*,
12 Mr Adam Dewe
13 Ms Stephanie Ioane
14 Mr Mark Thompson

Year 8

Room 18 Ms Nathania Free
19 Mr Dylan Wiggill
21 Ms Sumintra Dutt
22 Mr Daniel Cavit
24 Mr Lloyd Evani
25 Mr Philip Ploeg - *Digital Learning*
27 Mr Simon Coffey
28 Mrs Karin Carnachan
29 Ms Alicia England - *Learning Leader*
30 Ms Jennifer Fong

Tennyson Centre

Mrs Margaret Gaiqui *Director & Senco*
Room 5 Mr Brad Healey *Year 7 / 8*
6 Mrs Yashoda Raj *Year 7 / 8*

Specialisation Teachers:

Science: Mrs Marianne Levy
Information Technology: Mr Philip Ploeg
Performing Arts: Ms Claire Holmes /
Performing Arts / Release Ms Katie Ross
Maths Support: Mr Brett Hughes
Languages: Mrs Atsuko Sato *Japanese/Mandarin*
Mrs April Hwang *Korean*

Food & Material Technology:

Mr Russell Burton

Hard Materials / Design Technology:

Mr Alan Davies

ESOL/ Reading Support:

Mrs Janet Colling

Additional Teaching Staff -

Mr Angelo D'Souza *Release Teacher*
Ms Jackie-Jade Ruri *Release Teacher*

Support Staff:

ICT Technician: Mrs Sandra Gibson
Library: Ms Rachel Alley
ATSSD: Ms Meimei Lee
Physiotherapist Ms Michelle Askew / Ms Danieka Ng
Occupational Therapist: Ms Rebecca Waters / Ms Lucy Lyon
Speech Language Therapist Ms Rebekah Maretic
Kaiarahi Ms Jackie-Jade Ruri
Pasifika Liaison Mr Peter Leilua
Coaching Mr Andrew Morris

Teacher Aides:

Mrs Kathie Merritt *Specialist Support.* Mrs Farida Khan *Tennyson Centre*
Mrs Veronica Sheaff *Specialist Support.* Mrs Rubilyn Gurau *Tennyson Centre*
Mr Jason Ormsby *Specialist Support./ Maori / Sport* Mrs Emma Gray *Tennyson Centre*
Mrs Colleen Green *Reading Support* Mrs Virginie Pieterz *Tennyson Centre*
Mrs Andrea Hannaford *Resource Room / Office*

Caretaker: Mr Joe Iorangi

School Reports:

During 2019 each student will receive two full written reports. The reporting opportunities are:

<i>Term 1</i>	Open evening - <i>Meet the Teachers and staff</i> - 20th February 5-7pm
<i>Term 2</i>	Full Written Report, Parent /Teacher Interview
<i>Term 3</i>	Oral Reporting - Parent or Teacher request
<i>Term 4</i>	Full Written Report. Interview if required

House Captains

Congratulations to the following students selected as House Captains for 2019.

Baraa Al-Afaghani, Jayden Amarasekera, Ryan Antia, Montoya Atutolu, Sheryl Cheng, Liliena Fakauka, Charlie Heeps, Asma Ibrahim, Zeke Liu, Adalia Lobo, Nico McKinlay, Rhea Mehta, Mahesha Nadakandage, Kavin Nathoo, Jordan Nethula, Hemish Parikh, Mamere Poe Nunu, Shreya Reddy, Lucian Reedy, Prithi Sharma, Earl Soriano, Tulei Tuipulotu, Briella Tupaea, Jemimiah Verghese, Harshit Verma.

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 \$1800.00.

Japan Trip In September, 18 students and 3 teachers will travel to Japan, staying for approximately 8 days. They will travel to Fukuoka where they will be hosted for four nights in Munakata and also to Tokyo. The cost is estimated to be approximately \$3,800.

Students from Japan will be visiting in mid August and will be hosted by our students for five nights. More information will be available from Mr Berry (Deputy Principal) shortly.

Lunch menu

Easy lunch 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 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 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. 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).

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.

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.

Sports Captains

The following students have been selected for Sports Captain 2019.

Tiva Aleki, Adam Ali, Fatima Asfia, Aron Azizi, T.J. Brown, Andre Chan, Frances Damu, Falamoe Fau'ese, Italiah Filiga, Hashmat Hamid, Karan Johnson, Fredrick Kolia, Khalid Kuddus, Kimmy Lin, Aaron Lobo, Sabrenah Metuatini, Rayyan Mohamed Faizal, Anthony Sauaga, Kavili Vatuvei, Chanakya Yamalapalli, Alan Zhang.

Sports

We are looking for parents that are available for coaching. If you are able to help with the coaching, please see Mrs McCallum on the Meet the Teacher evening on Wednesday 20th February, phone 620-8508 or complete the form below and return to the school office.

I am interested in helping with coaching.

Sport _____

Name _____

Contact phone number _____

Child's name _____ Room _____

Reminders:

All visitors to the school **must** report to the Office.

Interview appointments are to be booked through the office and **not** directly with the classroom teacher.

Absence / Absenteeism:

Student absences should either be:-

- A) telephoned to the office (620-8508) as early as possible by a parent, or
- B) emailed to office@mri.school.nz with your child's name, room number and reason for your child's absence, or,
- C) through the Mt Roskill Intermediate School Stream app. (*information on page 5*)

For your convenience there is an answer phone for those who need to ring when there would be no one in the office. Unexplained absences in excess of 2 days will be followed up by a senior staff member on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

Stationery:

Stationery can be purchased from the school office before school each day.

School Carparks:

Parents, please do **not** drive into the school grounds to drop off children in the morning or when collecting them in the afternoon. The driveways get very congested and there is a strong possibility that a student could be injured. Please park in the street.

Bicycles:

Cycle helmets are compulsory and must be worn by students riding bicycles to and from school. Bicycles are locked in the cycle sheds each day. Cycle locks **must** be used for individual cycles. The Board of Trustees does not accept responsibility for bicycles and suggest that they are insured by the owners' family.

Interruption to Programmes:

Please be aware that students work to a tight timetable to fit in a balanced programme of learning in all New Zealand Curriculum areas. We prefer that you do not withdraw your child unnecessarily from school during the day — for example: for appointments, visits to relatives, meeting family at the airport, shopping, lunch or baby-sitting, etc.

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 Kiwicoaches 636 5232 or 021 608 548.

Telephone Numbers / E-mail / Website:

Mt Roskill Intermediate E-mail	-	office@mri.school.nz
Mt Roskill Intermediate website	-	www.mri.school.nz
Mt Roskill Primary	-	620-5050
Mt Roskill Grammar	-	621-0050
May Road Dental Clinic	-	620-0134

COMMUNITY NOTICES

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.

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

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.



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

