

MOUNT ROSKILL GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Newsletter

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NEWSLETTER – JUNE 2012

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou

It's been a term full of achievement and special events. Some highlights have been the excellent school production of 'Bye Bye Birdie', the Campus celebration of Matariki, the sport exchanges with Mahurangi College and Pukekohe High School, success in the 'Bring it On Dance' competition and an outstanding assembly speech by Joshua Iosefo. Term 2 ends with the School Ball at Eden Park on Saturday 30 June. On the sport field the 1st XI Girls Hockey team won the Open B championship and our academy sports teams are competing with distinction in the top grade of their respective championships.



One of our school goals this year is to increase the number of students gaining NCEA at each of the three levels by 5%. Achieving this would result in an additional 70 students gaining NCEA thus increasing the range of options at their next level of learning. One of our strategies to achieve this goal is to provide regular tracking updates to students about their progress towards NCEA qualifications. Additionally we have initiated mentoring conversations with all Year 11 students to help shape student thinking about their learning. Our teachers are working hard towards this goal together with goals to improve students writing skills and aligning NCEA standards with the New Zealand Curriculum.

A teacher only day is scheduled for Monday 16 July to continue this work. Term 3 will begin for students on Tuesday 17 July.

Parental Donations and Sports Fees

Thank you to all caregivers who have made their parental donation already after the recent invoices were sent out. The parental donation is \$180.00 per student or \$300.00 per family. Every effort is made to keep school costs to a minimum but to ensure that we offer quality educational opportunities we encourage payment of these costs. The parental donation assists in meeting the costs of providing classroom and sports equipment. If you have difficulty in paying the total cost at the beginning of the year, please contact the Accounts Office to make alternative arrangements. The school would also appreciate parents' assistance in ensuring that student sport and activities fees are settled so that the school can continue to ensure registrations for the wide variety of co-curricular involvement offered throughout the year.

All students have received reports outlining progress results and recommendations for next steps with learning. I look forward to seeing you at the **senior report evening on Wednesday 18 July**.

Greg Watson
PRINCIPAL

TEACHER ONLY DAY MONDAY 16TH JULY

There will be a Teacher Only Day at Mount Roskill Grammar School on the first Monday after the holiday break, 16th July. **The school term for students will start on Tuesday 17th July** at the normal time of 8.40am. The Teacher Only Day will be used by staff to work on school strategic developments; staff professional learning and Departmental work on course alignment.

ACADEMIC TRACKING AND MENTORING

Research shows that students' achievement and motivation increases if they receive accurate and timely data about their progress and participate in conversations informed by that data on how to improve their achievement. Consequently, the school has developed a draft long term vision that *"in 3-5 years, each learner, their family and a key staff member are engaged in on-going evidence based conversations to set and advance specific learning goals"*.

To achieve our vision we are introducing academic tracking and mentoring. Academic tracking is the provision of data on student progress and achievement to students and parents, while academic mentoring is having evidence based conversations around the setting of and progress towards specific academic goals.

To help with academic tracking, all senior students are being issued with a regular tracking sheet that shows their progress towards achieving NCEA. The tracking sheet shows such information as the number of credits achieved, the number still to be attained, the quality of the credits achieved and progress made towards attaining literacy and numeracy. The first tracking sheet was issued to students on the 16th May and the second sheet is being issued with senior reports on the 29th June.

In 2012 we are focussing on mentoring Year 11 students and all teachers are involved in mentoring conversations with these students. The first mentoring conversations occurred on the 25th and 26th June. Teachers and students discussed students' progress towards achieving NCEA and together decided on goals to help improve achievement.

You may be wondering how you can help with this process. Asking your son or daughter to explain their tracking sheets and discuss their academic goals with you would support them in their learning. If you wish to know any more about academic tracking or mentoring please contact Kay Thomas, Deputy Principal.

SCHOOL BALL 2012

The school ball will take place this Saturday evening, June 30th, at Eden Park. As ever the school is looking forward to a great occasion when year 13 and other senior students can come together in their 'finest' to enjoy a meal and dance. All those attending have been made clearly aware of the school's expectations during the ball and the arrangements for arrival and departure times from the event. We are aware that students spend a great deal of time and money to prepare for this evening and the school's organisation and support together with the responsible co-operation of all students involved make this a special occasion in the school calendar.

BARISTA AWARD WINNERS

Last week two Mount Roskill students took gold medals and one of them received a Prime Gold award in Manukau Institute of Technology's Junior Barista Competition. Carlo Grunwald and Huihua Xie, both Year 13 students, upheld the co-curricular spirit of the school by triumphing over 12 other schools from the Auckland region. Each heat of the event was organised around two barista machines each being worked by an individual student. Everyone had a 20 minute time period to set-up their equipment, make 2 espressos, 2 flat whites and 2 lattes and then clean up. They were then graded on technique and use of equipment before being assessed by a second judge on the quality of the coffees they produced. Carlo, who was the overall competition winner, triumphed with 99 out of a possible 100 points. In the competition our two students showed the expertise they have developed as part of their Food and Hospitality course. Both demonstrated their mastery of coffee making it an exciting night of barista magic.

LANGUAGE PERFECT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS



Students from Mount Roskill took part in the 2012 Language Perfect Worldwide Languages Competition. Students over a 10 day period spent many hours at school and at home learning and revising vocabulary and expressions from a number of different languages. They then answered questions which accumulated individual and school scores. MRGS students answered 1.4 million questions, scoring 453,122 points. (Language

Perfect competitors worldwide answered 102 million questions). The school had outstanding results:

- * Overall = 4th in World / 2nd in New Zealand
- * Maori = 2nd in World (1st in NZ)
- * Japanese = 3rd in World (2nd in NZ)
- * French = 4th in World (2nd in NZ)

2 students gained an ELITE award (10,000+ points): Joshua Simmons (12,630), Sephie Liu (10,382) and we achieved **46 GOLD AWARDS** (3,000+ points); **28 SILVER Awards** (2,000+ points), **72 BRONZE Awards** (1,000+ points) and **62 CREDIT Awards** (500+ points).

MODEL UNITED NATIONS

Akshaya Kumar, Anagha Sridhar and Athurva Kulkarni formed a group of three students who represented Mount Roskill Grammar in the Auckland Model United Nations in June. The Model United Nations is an annual event where students from schools around Auckland and Northland gather together to debate issues of global importance. This year, Mount Roskill Grammar represented Malaysia and spoke on issues such as child labour and countries' treatment of their indigenous peoples. Anagha, Akshaya and Athurva prepared and delivered well-researched and thoughtful arguments to the delegation. Their efforts were recognised with an award for the top representatives in the Asian Block, an award they received from key note speaker and Leader of the Opposition, Mr David Shearer. The students represented both the country of Malaysia and Mount Roskill Grammar admirably and we are thrilled to see such global awareness and political passion in our students.

PEER LIFE MENTORSHIP TRAINING



On Sunday 17th and Monday 18th June, 40 Mediators experienced an advanced training in mentorship skills facilitated by Julie McCracken from MINDFLOW. This dynamic, inspiring, interactional, fun-filled presentation trained the students in how to build relationships, communicate effectively, solve problems, set

goals and many other skills. These are all important life skills, not only for themselves and for the young students they will help in their Mentoring role. This course also helps to achieve two Level 2 credits.

A big thank you to Star funding and to Louise Fisher and Peter Maher for their financial support of this course.

If any student would like some personal support from an older student Mentor, please contact Student Services.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION 'BYE, BYE BIRDIE'



Earlier this term, over 60 Mt Roskill Grammar students were involved in the 2012 production, *Bye Bye Birdie*, a rock'n'roll musical based in Ohio in the 1960s. The show ran over three very successful and entertaining nights. Reviews from the community and Auckland theatre collectives were extremely positive; the high quality of the performance and smooth running of the play showed the huge potential our young

actors and stage crew possess. Their director Miss Gillies was very proud of how far the team had come and looks forward to next year's show.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR ALL CAREGIVERS - NEWSLETTER AND SCHOOL INFORMATION SUBSCRIPTION LIST

In order to continue to provide all families prompt information and links to Newsletters we are establishing a school subscription list of caregiver e-mail addresses. To join this subscription list you must type in the following address in your web browser address line – <http://go.to/mrgsmail> and then fill in your e-mail and other details. We will then be able to keep you up to date with school information.

Please also note that an e-copy of every Newsletter is available on the school website www.mrgs.school.nz together with the link to the above subscription page.

AUCKLAND CITY FOR PEACE & NUCLEAR FREE NZ CELEBRATION



On Saturday 9th June, 15 Mediators represented MRGS at the official Auckland City Peace launch which celebrated the 25th Anniversary of New Zealand's Anti-Nuclear Law. This was a momentous occasion where many Peace groups and Leaders came together to mark this significant moment in history. The Mediators proudly represented MRGS by speaking so eloquently on stage, being part of the Peace March, interacting positively with

the public and releasing the Peace doves at the end. A big thank you to those outstanding Mediators: Karan Bankar, Tess Koonwaiyou, Esther Koshy, Patrick Lee, Rohan Modak, Sharmin Shiraz (Winner of the Peace Poster Competition), Manuel Oyson, Kiran Pattery, Diana Qiu, Aparna Sinnarkar, Viliami Tutone, Chris Varughese, Emily Watt, Sanjana Wellalage and Beau Xu. Christina, National Trainer from the Peace Foundation writes: "...many people have commented on how the Mount Roskill Grammar student mediators were so instrumental in bringing the 'voice and presence of youth' to the event."

SCHOOL OPEN DAY WEDNESDAY 25TH JULY

We will be holding our annual Open day on Wednesday 25 July from 3.30pm – 6.30pm. This is an opportunity for present and prospective parents to visit the school to find out about courses and facilities. Visitors should arrive at the Administration Building (main entrance), Corner Frost & Carr Roads where they will receive an introduction to the school and then be taken on a tour of various Departments.

MATARIKI CELEBRATION

On Wednesday 13th June the three schools on the campus held their annual celebration of Matariki. Matariki is the Maori name for the group of stars also known as the Pleiades star cluster or The Seven Sisters; and what is referred to as the traditional Maori New Year. Matariki is celebrated with education, remembrance and the planting of new trees and crops signalling new beginnings. Matariki was the optimum time for new harvests, and ceremonial offerings to the land-based gods to ensure good crops for the coming year. It was also seen as a perfect time to learn about the land we live on and to remember whakapapa (ancestry) who have passed from this world to the next and the legacy they left behind. On the Roskill campus our whanau came together in Cultural performances, presentations to show the significance of Matariki and a sharing of food. The event hosted by Roskill Intermediate drew a large and responsive audience who appreciated the efforts of all the students involved.

CAREER EXPO

18 JULY, 2012 FROM 5.00pm – 8.00pm IN THE HALL

(The same night as Senior Report Night)

THESE ARE THE PARTICIPANTS:

UNIVERSITIES /INSTITUTES OF TECHNOLOGY

AUT University	University of Auckland	Unitec
University of Otago	Victoria University	M.I.T.
Massey University	Waikato University	

PRIVATE PROVIDERS/DEFENCE FORCES

FORCES

Air Force
Army
Navy

APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING ORGANISATIONS

ETITO – Electrotechnology
ETCO – Electrical Industry
Retail ITO
N.Z. Flooring ITO
BCITO – Building

BITO – Boating Industry
NZ Inst Chartered Accts

ART

Whitecliffe
Freelance Art School
Peter Minturn Goldsmith School

AUDIO ENGINEERING

MAINZ
S.A.E.

HAIR/MAKE-UP

Cut Above
Servilles
Samala Robinson
Academy

I.T./GRAPHICS

ARTS

Natcoll
Raffles
Media Design School
School

I.T./ENGINEERING

Air New Zealand
Techtorium
Competenz
AMES

FILM/TV/PERFORMING

South Seas Film & TV
S.A.E
Excel – Performing Arts

SPORT & CHEF TRAINING

Auckland Hotel and Chefs' Training School
New Zealand Institute of Sport

OTHERS

Auckland Aero Club
Ardmore Flying School
Best Pacific Institute
Regent Training
I.R.D.
Studylink
N.Z. Career College
N.Z. Maritime School
S.E.N.Z.
N. Z. Management Academy
NZ Chiropractic College

TOURISM

Air New Zealand Customer Services
Crown Institute of Studies
I.T.C.
N.Z.S.T.T.
Sir George Seymour College

STUDY SKILLS BOOKLET HELPING YOUR CHILD TO STUDY

Year 11 students have been given a Study Skills booklet during this last week of term 2. Please ask your child to show it to you and have a read of it yourself. Within the Study Tips section there are directions on creating a Study Timetable. Work with your child to ensure they complete one on the template provided. Also get them to complete the calendar, including important dates. They can find dates for specific exams on the NCEA website. Year 12 or 13 students have received a Study Skills programme in the past, however if they would like a copy of this booklet they can get it from the Learning Extension Department.

HOW TO RETAIN WHAT YOU LEARN IN CLASS

(extracts from an article which draws together advice from different sources to help with study). There is no magic pill/quick fix when it comes to successful study

There are four stages to the learning process that should be followed on a regular basis, not just before exams, says Massey student learning services manager Ken Cage.

“Reading, making notes, committing notes to memory and retrieving those mental notes during an exam.”

Daily summarising is a good place to start. By summarizing notes at the end of the day you improve your recall and get another chance to go over what you are learning, “It is well documented that if you go over information within 24 hours you have 90% recall. After three days you have 30%.”

This doesn't mean copying but finding ways to note take that jogs your memory later: for instance notebooks, mindmaps, flash cards. Studying in small chunks with five-minute breaks every 20 minutes is better - . If we study too much the brain tunes out.

Finding memory techniques that work for you is another key.

Chaining, for example, helps you remember information in sequence. This is where you associate visual images of a list of key words with one another to remember the words.

Acrostics or mnemonics; creating a sentence or rhyme out of the first letters of key words.

Creating visual associations- a large packet of felt tips and use colour. Chart things or draw pictures of something visually interesting.

Auditory learners could replay tapes of themselves reading the information or repeating it aloud.

Mind mapping - You start by placing your page landscape then you write your topic in the middle of the page. Branch out with key words and connect to other facts and ideas using colours to show different themes.

Time management is often the underlying issue “People underestimate the time it takes” have clear and modest goals about what you expect to achieve each day.

Discussion groups are an invaluable way to come to grips with an essay topic and start putting ideas into words because it is easier to write about something you've discussed with others.

Working with others also helps you become organised.

For further advice -www.aut.ac.nz

<http://student-services.massey.ac.nz/> www.spectrumeducation.com

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

The school uniform shop **will not open during the holidays** but **it will open for an extended time on Monday 16 July** (the teacher only day at the start of term 3). The opening hours will be **9 – 11am and 3 – 4 pm on that day**.

UNIFORM

With winter now upon us it is a good time to ensure that your child has items of uniform that allow them to keep warm and dry. The MRGS jerseys and jackets that are available at the School Uniform Shop on Mondays and Thursdays (8-9am 3-4pm) are good quality and will keep students comfortable to, from and at school. Please ensure you name all clothing so if it is left behind somewhere it can be returned to you.

DONATIONS OF UNIFORM

Do you have items of Uniform that are no longer in use? If so, the School would greatly appreciate any donations of uniform items – even socks! This allows us to lend an item to students who require it. Any donations would be gladly received and can be dropped off either at the Deans' Centre or the Admin Office.

ATTENDANCE

A key indicator of academic success is attendance at school. It is vital that students attend school regularly. A few missed days here and there quickly add up to a large amount of lost learning opportunities. It is important to keep students at home if they are unwell, however, a slight cold should not prevent them coming to school. It is the student's responsibility to catch up; so upon their return it is important for them to ask their Teachers for work they may have missed. If your child is going to be absent through illness for a period of longer than a few days, we encourage you to contact your child's Dean who can arrange work for them to do. If you are taking your child out of school for any length of time for a planned event, you will need to apply for leave – see the Attendance Officer, Mrs Hyland.

PUNCTUALITY

With the cold and darkness making it more difficult to get out of bed in the morning, we ask that you assist your child to wake up with enough time to get ready and make it to school. It is important for them to get into a routine of waking up on time. It might be helpful to either assist them with setting an alarm or ensuring they are out of bed by a certain time. School begins with morning roll check at 8:40am except for Wednesday which has a late start straight into Period 1 at 9:20am. Too often when students are late we get the excuse of "I just slept in" or "traffic". Waking up on time is a controllable factor and heavy traffic is to be expected on wet days especially when trying to get to school by 8:40. This is a good opportunity to help our students develop good self-management skills and we ask for your assistance in this.

TERM 2 SPORTS EXCHANGES –MAHURANGI COLLEGE AND PUKEKOHE HIGH SCHOOL



Early in the term we held the annual sports exchange with Mahurangi College at their Warkworth campus. Seven of our senior teams made the journey accompanied by coaches and the MRGS Kapa Haka group. The performance group took part in the formal welcomes which heralded a marvellous day of inter-school competition. As ever with Mahurangi there was fierce but sporting competition right down to the last game of netball. We had mixed fortunes in all the premier codes: a win and a loss in football; a win and a loss for the hockey teams and in basketball Mahurangi took the honours in both the boys' and girls' games. Unfortunately in the deciding netball encounter — a close struggle - Mahurangi came out winners by 47—44. So the day ended with a 4-3 game Mahurangi overall victory, but throughout the encounters the Roskill students demonstrated their commitment and resilience, making the day as usual a positive display of sporting talent.

In week 8 we hosted Pukekohe High School with another full day of competition.



Eleven of our teams took part from Premier Football, Rugby, Netball, Basketball and Hockey to Academy and Junior teams in Football and Netball. The weather turned on a sunny day and students were able to view some of the games at interval and lunchtime. As ever the day was a blend of strong rivalry and respectful sporting encounter. Pukekohe were successful overall winning 5 games to our 2 with the standard of competitiveness highlighted by 4 games being drawn. After the games all the

sportsmen and women enjoyed lunch together and a prizegiving closing ceremony that underlined the success of the day.

NATIONAL ATHLETICS INTERPROVINCIAL 12 & 13 YEARS OLDS

During the last School holidays, Aubrey Lasi was part of the Auckland team that competed at Mt Smart Stadium. Auckland came second to Wellington (just). Aubrey achieved 2nd in 12 year old boys Shot Put and 9th in 100 metres and 200 metres sprints.

SPORTS: AUCKLAND REPRESENTATIVE SELECTIONS IN BADMINTON

Congratulations to four Mount Roskill students who have been selected for Auckland representative Junior Badminton teams this season; **Wesley Yep** in Under 19's, number 2 team. **Neha Kolh** in Under 17's, number 2 team. **Phoebe Chau** and **Shreshta Dyavadi** (GDNB) in Under 15's teams.

MT ROSKILL GRAMMAR SCHOOL

COMMUNITY EDUCATION - TERM 3 2012

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Phone (09) 621 0051 Email: jennifer.carson@mrgs.school.nz Fax: (09) 620 9467

Office Hours: 9am-3pm Monday to Friday. Extra enrolling night: Wednesday, 25 July 6-8pm

MONDAY starts 30 July 7-9pm unless stated

Basic Car Maintenance	6 wks	\$87
Confidence in Public Speaking	5 wks	\$195
Dancing: Ballroom for Beginners 7-8pm	6 wks	\$55
Dancing: Salsa and Bachata 8-9pm	6 wks	\$55
Get Fit! For Beginners 7.30-8.30pm	7 wks	\$49
Indoor Netball: Men/Women 6.15-7.45pm	7 wks	\$67
Japanese Cooking *Starts 27 August	4 wks	\$58+
Painting with Oils *Materials needed	6 wks	\$85+
Pattern Making - Advanced	7 wks	\$110
Thai Cooking	4 wks	\$58+
Yoga 6.45-8.15pm *Bring mat	8 wks	\$76

TUESDAY starts 31 July 7-9pm unless stated

Ayurvedic Cooking	4 wks	\$95
*Fee includes all ingredients for the course		
Badminton 6.30-8.30pm	7 wks	\$85
Bollywood Dancing 7.30-8.30pm	7 wks	\$70
Bootcamp Circuit Training 6.30-7.30pm	7 wks	\$49
Dressing for Your Body Shape - Women	2 wks	\$56
*Starts 7 August		
Dressmaking – Beginners to Int	8 wks	\$85+
Floristry/ Fresh Flowers – Beg to Int	6 wks	\$75+
Indoor Soccer – Men's 7.35 - 9pm	8 wks	\$76
Indoor Soccer – Women's 6-7.30pm	8 wks	\$76
Mediterranean Cooking Starts 28 Aug	4 wks	\$70+
*Fee includes first night's ingredients		
Picture Framing *Bring item to frame	7 wks	\$95+
Pilates 6.30-7.30pm *Bring a mat	7 wks	\$65
Starting a Small Business	3 wks	\$65
Welding for Beginners 6.30-8.30pm	6 wks	200+
*Only 4 spaces available		
Woodwork & Furniture Restoration	8 wks	\$90+

WEDNESDAY - Starts 1 August 7-9pm unless stated

Aerobics – Pump 7.30-8.30pm	7 wks	\$49
Café Cooking	4 wks	\$70+
*Fee includes first night's ingredients		
Digital Photog & Photoshop – An Intro	6 wks	\$80
Dressmaking – Beg to Int	8 wks	\$85+
*Bring fabric, pattern, thread etc		
French Café Cuisine *Starts 29 August	4 wks	\$70+
*Fee includes first night's ingredients		
GST Returns/Small Business Taxation	3 wks	\$30
Indoor Soccer 7.30-9pm *Starts 18 July	10 wks	\$95
Rental Taxation *29 August	1 wk	\$10
Small Engine Repairs	6 wks	\$90
Spin Bikes 6.30-7.30pm	7 wks	\$65
Wills *22 August	1 wk	\$25
Woodwork – Beg to Int	8 wks	\$90+
Yoga 6.45-8.15pm. *Starts 18 July	10 wks	\$95

GUITAR CLASSES

Start Thursday 2 August & Friday 3 August

***Fantastic tutor! Bring own guitar. Limited spaces**

Beginners - Thursday	7-8pm	7 wks	\$75
Intermediate (1) – Thursday	6-7pm	7 wks	\$75
Intermediate (2) - Friday	6-7pm	7 wks	\$75

Intermediate (3) - Thurs	8-9pm	7 wks	\$75
Advanced - Friday	7-9pm	7 wks	\$125

SATURDAY CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Italian Cooking & Lunch: 11 August, 9.30am-12.30pm
1 wk, \$45

Middle Eastern Cooking & Lunch: 4 August, 9.30am-12.30pm, 1 wk, \$45

MYOB- Computerised Accounting: 4 & 11 August, 9am-4.30pm, 2 wks, \$135. Bring lunch

Relaxation & Contemplation (Meditation): 4 August, 10.15am-1.15pm, 1 wk, \$35

Sewing - Essential Skills for Beginners: 4 August, 9am-4pm, 1 wk, \$60+. Materials needed. Bring lunch

Wardrobe Workout for Women - The Capsule

Wardrobe: 4 August, 9am-1pm, 1 wk, \$56

Woodwork – Cape Cod Chair: 4 August, 9.30am-4.30pm, 1 wk, \$65+. Materials needed. Bring lunch

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

***Non-residents pay 30% extra**

DAYTIME CLASSES

Conversational English & Grammar – starts 16 July

Mon, Wed & Fri 9am-12noon 10 wks \$395

Beginners/ Elementary Level 1

Pre-Intermediate Level 2

Intermediate/High Intermediate Level 3

IELTS Academic Preparation – starts 17 July

Tues & Thurs 9.15-11.15am 10 wks \$265

NIGHT TIME CLASSES

Mon & Wed classes – start 30 July

***2 nights per week, 6.40-9pm, 7 wks, \$99**

Beginners/ Elementary

Pre-Intermediate/ Conversational English

Intermediate

High Intermediate

Tuesday classes – start 31 July

***1 night per week, 6.40-9pm, 7 wks, \$50**

English Speaking and Pronunciation

Advanced Grammar and Vocabulary

English for Work or Employment

IELTS Academic Preparation Class – starts 31 July

***Tues and Wed (2 nights), 6.40-9pm, 7 wks, \$170**

SATURDAY ESOL WORKSHOPS

Introduction to IELTS: 4 & 11 August, 9.30am-12.30pm, 2 wks, \$75

Improve Your Spoken English Through Drama and

Acting: 11 August, 9.30am-12.30pm, 1 wk, \$35

Please note: A "+" after a price indicates that there may be further material costs involved

You must be a minimum of 16 yrs to join these classes

To Enrol or for more information – contact the Community Education Office, ph 621 0051, or download an enrolment form from the website: www.mrgs.school.nz, click on "Community Education"

GATEWAY UPDATE



Gateway A Successful Start

- ✓ Nearly 30 Year 13 students are currently on or getting ready to go on work placements.
- ✓ Students are gaining experience in a range of industries including travel, hair dressing, retail, hospitality, automotive, healthcare, sports and recreation, childcare, fashion design, distribution and the services.
- ✓ New in 2012 we are able to offer students placements with the Police and on Air New Zealand's Flight Attendant programme.
- ✓ Students are completing courses, gaining credits and certificates in their chosen area as well as completing Health and Safety and First Aid training.

If you have any queries regarding the Gateway Programme or would like to mentor a student in your workplace please ring Selina Fihaki on 621 0050 ext. 826 or email gateway@mrgs.school.nz

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TERM 2		
June	Friday 29	Senior Reports Issue
		END OF TERM 2
	Saturday 30	School Ball
July	Monday 16	TEACHER ONLY DAY
	Wednesday 18	Senior Report Evening & Careers Expo
	Monday 23	BOT Meeting
	Wednesday 25	OPEN DAY
August	Thursday 9	School Cross Country
	Friday 31	School Holiday
September	Monday 3 – Friday 7	Tournament Week
	Monday 10 – Tuesday 18	Senior School Examinations
	Wednesday 12	Junior Progress Report Issued
	Friday 28	Senior Interim Report Issued
TERM DATES 2012		
Term 2	Monday 23 April	Friday 29 June
Term 3	Monday 16 July	Friday 28 September
Term 4	Monday 15 October	Tuesday 11 December