Student Assembly



MOUNT ROSKILL GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Term 2 Week 3: Wednesday 29 April

From the Principal



Dear students

The transition to Alert Level 3 is a sign that the effort we are all making to eliminate Covid-19 is making a difference. Well done on your contribution! In generations to come the effort of each person in our nation will be legendary.

We have now done 14 learning days away from school and it may be time for you to think about how well you are managing. It's not just about your learning, but also the help you are offering to keep your household bubble going, how you are remaining connected with friends, classmates and teammates, and how well you are doing with refreshment and exercise. Which of these are you best at? Which do you need to improve? What is one thing you could do to improve it?

Family and friends often have good ideas about the things that you are working on to improve. Sometimes you don't even need to ask them - just watch what they do. There is great learning in copying someone who is good at what they do.

Through others we become ourselves— L. S. Vygotsky

Greg Watson Principal

Distance Learning

We hope you enjoyed the long weekend. As we move into Alert Level 3 School, and continue with our distance learning, we wanted to give you a few reminders:

- Workload: expectation of your teachers is to provide 60% of the normal classroom work.
- We have asked teachers to record their "live" meets when they can, so that the recording can be posted on google classroom for students who have clashes or limited device access.
- Self-Management: Please plan your time, so you are able to work on all your subjects every day.
- Support: everyone is in a new situation currently, so supporting one another is really important check in with your friends, classmates and teachers.

StudyIt is now available for students to access the tips and guides and online forum for NCEA support. Here is the link: <u>https://www.studyit.govt.nz/</u>

Engagement

Please ensure you are completing your daily attendance check in via the Learning Hub once per day. This helps us to support our students as much as possible.

Mentoring/Pastoral

You should be contacted by your Mentor/Form teacher once per week. If you need any other form of support, reach out and make contact with your mentor or House Dean.

Assessment

Heads of Departments and teachers are working hard to make courses work online and make any necessary adjustments to ensure students can still gain the credits they need. A detailed bulletin from NZQA will be going out to families about assessment. Remember that NCEA is a flexible qualification and teachers are using its flexibility to reduce the impact of the Covid-19 disruption.

The most important thing you can do to keep on track is to communicate with your teachers especially when you are having trouble meeting deadlines or keeping up with your work. We know that circumstances vary and that there are varying levels of disruption going on for students and their families. Please speak with your teachers and your deans so we can help you.

Social Justice PSSP

Thank you to our PSSP team for putting together this informative video about consent. It is great to see our student leaders in a range of areas stepping up in a virtual world.

PSSP Consent Awareness

ANZAC

Thank you to our MRGS community for contributing photos featuring the talented April Hartmann playing the Last Post. Thanks also to the student leadership team and Mr McGibbon for compiling this poignant tribute.

MRGS Anzac Tribute

House Values Awards

COOPER HOUSE



Congratulations to our values award winners for Term 1. You thoroughly deserve this recognition.

Kia kaha, Kia māia, Kia manawanui: Be strong, be brave, be steadfast

HILLARY HOUSE



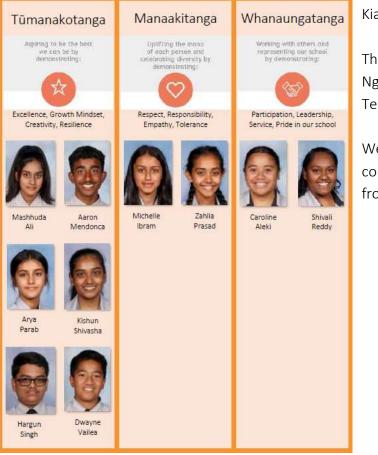
Hello Hillary House

Congratulations to our Values Awards winners for Term 1 who have shone while leading The Roskill Way.

"People do not decide to become extraordinary. They decide to accomplish extraordinary things."

— Sir Edmund Hillary

NGATA HOUSE



Kia ora koutou!

This week we are celebrating the students in Ngata House who have been recognised for a Term 1 Values Award.

We want to congratulate all winners for their contributions, we are celebrating with you from afar.

RUTHERFORD HOUSE



Kia ora koutou, we celebrate and salute our Rutherford award winners for their commitment and contributions both before lockdown and also during.

They embody our school values and our house spirit to always do your best. We are very proud of you.

"If you don't do the best with what you have, you could never have done better with what you could have had!"

Ernest Rutherford

SHEPPARD HOUSE



Kia Maia and listen to the words of Michelle Obama - from your 2020 Sheppard House Captains Joanna & Kate.

You may not always have a comfortable life and you will not always be able to solve all of the world's problems at once but don't ever underestimate the importance you can have because history has shown us that courage can be contagious and hope can take on a life of its own.

MICHELLE OBAMA