

October 2020: Week 1, Term 4

From the Principal

We have a full and exciting term ahead of us, recognising achievements during the year and preparing for final assessments. With continued determination to complete each learning challenge along the way, our students are well placed to gain the qualifications they set out to achieve.

Prize giving is in week four of term. Senior students who need further tuition will continue normal classes after prize giving until they are ready to revise on their own.

We look forward to updating action plans with each student and their families during the mentoring conferences on Thursday 15 October.

Year 12 student Sonam Bagwe has been elected as the new student representative on the School Board. I would like to thank Mizanur Miah for his contribution to the Board the past year and look forward to working with Sonam.



The new term begins under Alert level 1. It will be great to see students enjoying co-curricular events over the coming weeks.

Ngā manaakitanga
Greg Watson
PRINCIPAL

Board of Trustees

Welcome to term 4!

I am looking forward to a number of co-curricular activities and celebration events like Maori graduation and prize giving going ahead this term, enabling our Board of Trustees to reconnect with our community, in particular with our taura.

I invite our whānau and taura to attend the various events this term as a way of experiencing our values in action being celebrated.

It is exciting that we are able to, in an ongoing way throughout the term, provide a range of opportunities to celebrate our taura's learning journey, both academically and in their growth as individuals.



Marjet Pot
BOT Chairperson

Dates for your diary

Monday 12 October	Start of Term 4
Thursday 15 October	Mentoring Conferences – Seniors only
Thursday 15 October	Juniors study at home

Mentoring – 15 October 2020

A reminder that we have our Mentoring Conferences for our Year 11 – 13 students this Thursday 15 October. As we are in Alert Level 1, whānau are invited to attend.

It is a requirement that all Year 11 – 13 students attend their mentoring conference. This will support them with creating their plan for Term 4 and ensuring they achieve their goals for 2020. Bookings can still be made online via the School Interviews website (www.schoolinterviews.co.nz caregiver code: fme69) or in person with your Mentor on Tuesday 13 October.

All Year 9 and 10 students are to study at home on Thursday 15 October. This is a great opportunity to do some revision on the learning from the previous three days.

Spoken Word

After gaining a place in the semi-final of Word The Front Line, run by Action Education, the MRGS Spoken Word poetry team (The Spice Girls) have made it through to the Grand Slam at the Herald Theatre on 7 November! Congratulations Fateecka Farook, Fatema Al-Ali, Sarah Shawish and Joshlyn Iyekekpola.

If anyone wants to go back and rewatch our poets, the videos are on the Action Education Facebook page, and will be on YouTube within the next few weeks.



Science Fair Prizes

This year Mount Roskill Grammar School had one of its best years ever in the Auckland Science Fair. MRGS entered eight projects in total, five of these went on to become prize winners. The students all put a huge amount of effort into their projects and produced some truly outstanding projects.

Prithi Sharma and Raina Singh came in first place in the planet earth and beyond category with their project 'Exstream Stream' which looked at the health of the waterways around our school and discussed how to restore them.

Amie Mao and Zoe Chen came in second place in the living world category for their project 'Block your... achoo!' which looked at what materials would make the best mask for blocking the spread of disease. Tessa Bolland came third in the physical world category for her project 'Accurate Archery' which looked at which material made the best arrow shaft.

Jashraj Khatri gained a highly commended in the physical world category for his project 'Rainbow in a Leaf' which looked at absorption of light in different leaves and how this could be used to more efficiently grow plants. Jessica Huang and Sumayyah Parker gained a highly commended in the human behaviour category with their project 'Coloured Memories' which looked at colour people are able to remember best.



Uniform

As we head in to the final term it is timely to remind students of the school uniform expectations. As we move in to a new term please ensure that you arrive in correct uniform from our footwear to our jumpers. Some things that will be a focus include:

- Correct shoes and black socks
- Boys should be clean shaven
- No facial piercing i.e. nose rings
- Natural hair colour

Students will be asked to correct uniform on arrival to school and parents will be informed if there are any concerns.

You can find more details of our uniform expectations on our website:

<https://www.mrgs.school.nz/school-uniform/>

Wider Education Week – 2-4 December 2020

MT ROSKILL GRAMMAR SCHOOL WIDER EDUCATION 2020: Wednesday 2 - Friday 4 December

Wider Education is a tradition at Mt Roskill Grammar School. Year 9 and 10 students attend activities or day trips as part of the school's Wider Education Programme. The activities cover a wide range of learning intentions and develop students' social interaction, key competencies and team skills.

In order to secure a place in an activity, a \$50 deposit for activities over \$100 is required. If there is an activity that your child would like to attend and is not able to make the initial deposit, please contact Desmond Pemerika directly via email to request a place being secured for your child.

Payment can be made through internet banking to the following account: **12 3033 0358045 02**. Please include your child's ID number and the name of the activity chosen as the reference. Alternatively payments can be made in person at the accounts office. Deposits need to be paid by **Friday 23 October** or sooner. The remaining balance will need to be paid **Friday 20 November**. Automatic payments are also possible with the same information in the reference, so long as the balance is paid by 20 November.

Please note: if Wider Education is cancelled due to a change in Alert Levels – a full refund of payments provided to the school will be carried out. We endeavour to give students their first choice option, but places fill fast.

More information about activities and full permission and health slips will be issued closer to the time. If you need more information please do not hesitate contact Desmond Pemerika:

desmond.pemerika@mrgs.school.nz



MRGS Sports & Extra Curricular Photo Schedule – 14 October 2020

1. The order in which the photographs will be taken is shown below.
2. All students are to wear the **full school uniform** (no jerseys or jackets) or **full sports uniform**.
3. **Coaches are asked to notify each student in their team and ensure they have and wear the correct uniform. Sports uniforms will be collected after the photo.**
4. Students are to change in the bathrooms opposite the Performing Arts Studio.
5. Students are to leave their classroom at the scheduled time for their photograph and report, changed, to the hall foyer 8 minutes before the scheduled time of their photograph.
6. Coaches and Managers are asked to please arrive at least 5 minutes earlier than the time scheduled for your team's photo in case we are running ahead of schedule.

Team/Group	Time leave class	Approx Time
MUSIC		
Concert Band	9:10	9.30
String Orchestra	9:10	9.35
Jazz Band	9:20	9.40
Girls' Choir	9:25	9.45
Barbershop Quartet	9:30	9.50
PHILOSOPHY CLUB	9:35	9.55
HOCKEY Girls 1 st XI	9:30	10.00
HOCKEY Boys 1 st XI	9:35	10.05
FOOTBALL Girls 1 st XI	9:40	10.10
FOOTBALL Boys 1 st XI	9:45	10.15
LEAGUE of LEGENDS	10:00	10.20
LACROSSE Sr A Boys	10:00	10.25
LACROSSE Sr A Girls	10:00	10.30
CURLING	10:15	10.35
NETBALL Y10 A	10:10	10.40
NETBALL Premier 1	10.10	10.45
BADMINTON		
A Reserve Grade Group 1	10:30	10.50
A Reserve Grade Group 2	10:35	10.55
SWIMMING School team	10:40	11.00
WATERPOLO Sr Mixed	10:40	11.05
<i>Interval</i>		
CRICKET Boys Colts Y9 & Y10	11:20	11.40
CRICKET Boys 1 st XI	11:25	11.45
CRICKET Girls 1 st XI	11:30	11.50
TABLE TENNIS		
B Grade 1	11:35	11.55
CHESS Sr & Jr	11:40	12.00
RUGBY Girls 10s	11:45	12.05
RUGBY Boys 1 st XV	11:45	12.10
RUGBY Boys 2 nd XV	11:45	12.15

Team/Group	Time leave class	Approx Time
VOLLEYBALL Sr Girls	12:00	12.20
ARCHERY	12:05	12.25
TENNIS Sr Girls	12:10	12.30
BASKETBALL Jr Boys	12:10	12.35
BASKETBALL Sr Boys	12:10	12.40
BASKETBALL Sr Girls	12:10	12.45
ATHLETICS	12:30	12.50
ORIENTEERING Sr & Jr	12:35	12.55
DEBATING	12:40	1.00
LIBRARIANS	12:45	1.05
TWINKLE FOUNDATION	12:50	1.10
LIVE FOR TOMORROW	12:55	1.15
MEDIATORS	12:55	1.20
PASIFIKA YOUNG LEADERS	1:00	1.25
<i>Lunch</i>		
Y13 PREFECTS	1:20	1.45
Head Prefects & Deputies		1.50
<i>Lunch</i>		
STUDENT HEALTH COUNCIL LEADERS	1:50	2.15
BODY IMAGE LEADERS	1:55	2.20
SHAKTI YOUTH LEADERSHIP FOR CHANGE	2:00	2.25
AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL	2:05	2.30
SKITTLES	2:10	2.35
PEER SEXUALITY SUPPORT PROGRAMME (PSSP) Leaders	2:20	2.40
40 HOUR FAMINE	2:20	2.45
YEAR 13 PRODUCTION	2:20	2.50
PFA DEPARTMENT WHANAU	2.20	2.55

Alumni

Vincent Feng
(2014)

Vincent has acted in *Crave*, *Holding the Man*, *Lucrece* and *39 Steps*. Of note is his feature film debut as a featured extra in the recently released Disney film *Mulan*.



If you have Roskill stories about the success of current or past pupils, please share to: alumni@mrgs.school.nz or message the MRGS Facebook page.

Nominating MRGS with ASB Home Loans

If you are applying for a home loan with the ASB, and it meets the criteria outlined below, you can support Mt Roskill Grammar by nominating the school and ASB will donate \$500. ASB's lending criteria and terms apply.



Supporting success in your school.

If you're a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you take out a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate \$500 to your chosen participating school.

ASB

ASB's lending criteria and terms apply. Fees may apply. Eligibility criteria - Documentation of the facility agreement must be done by 30 June 2020. For this promotion to apply, you must make mention of it during the home loan application. Only applies to loans which are secured by residential owner-occupied property with a minimum of 20% equity. The offer is limited to one donation per new home loan. The donation will be made to the chosen school on complete draw-down of the home loan. Excludes lending through brokers. Full eligibility criteria, exclusions, terms and conditions are available at asb.co.nz/promotions/supporting-success-in-your-school.html

ASB Bank Limited 54360 16814 0919

MRGS School App



Keep up to date with the MRGS App.

1. From your device go to the App Store/Play Store.
2. Search for "School Stream" and tap the install button.
3. You will be prompted to accept push notifications - select OK.
4. Type Mount Roskill Grammar School into the search bar then select it.

The App will give you access to daily notices and newsletters as well as allowing you to update personal details and notify the school about absences.

Message from Auckland Transport

Now that the planter boxes are being installed in the parking bays outside the campus schools, Auckland Transport has organised for a Parking Enforcement team to monitor the traffic environment on Frost Road before and after school for Weeks 1, 2 and 3 of Term 4. The parking officers will be present before and after school to ensure compliance with all the changes.

Infringements Summary:

- Week 1 - 12-16 October - Education – no infringements
- Week 2 – 19-23 October - Ticketing if parking infringements occur
- Week 3 – 26-30 October - Ticketing if parking infringements occur.

TRAFFIC NOTICE

Huia No.1 watermain

September 2020

We are currently replacing the Huia No.1 watermain on Winstone Road, Mt Roskill. The project is required to maintain essential water services to the area. From Monday 5 October we will insert the pipeline across the intersection of Denbigh Avenue and Winstone Road.

Road closure:

To safely insert the pipeline, we will need to close the Denbigh and Winstone intersection from Monday 5 October for approximately three weeks. Detours shown on map below.



How does it affect you?

- The intersection at Denbigh Avenue and Winstone Road will be closed from Monday 5 October for up to three weeks.
- Detours will be in place during the road closure which will be to use Somerset Road, Winstone Road and Memorial Avenue or Mt Albert Road.



Please follow all detours and site signage. Keep safe around the construction site.

AVAILABLE NOW

Lunch Orders

HOW IT WORKS

STEP 1.

GO TO WWW.LUNCHORDERS.CO.NZ

STEP 2.

SIGN UP & PLACE AN ORDER

STEP 3.

YOUR STUDENT'S LUNCH WILL THEN
BE MADE FRESH & READY TO BE
PICKED UP AT LUNCHTIME!

WWW.LUNCHORDERS.CO.NZ

NCEA 2020 Examination Timetable

2020 EXAMINATION TIMETABLE					
Exams available digitally shown in blue					
Date	Time	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Scholarship
Mon 16 Nov	9.30 am	Te Reo Rangatira	Physics	Business Studies	Calculus
	2.00 pm	Chinese	German	Dance	Agricultural & Horticultural Science
Tue 17 Nov	9.30 am	Media Studies	Earth & Space Science	Drama	Chemistry
	2.00 pm		Classical Studies		German
Wed 18 Nov	9.30 am	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Art History	Statistics	
	2.00 pm	Geography	Spanish	Earth & Space Science	Drama
Thu 19 Nov	9.30 am		Mathematics & Statistics		Biology
	2.00 pm	Music	Accounting	History	French
Fri 20 Nov	9.30 am	Mathematics & Statistics			Classical Studies
	2.00 pm		Drama	Samoan	Statistics
WEEKEND					
Mon 23 Nov	9.30 am	French	Te Reo Māori	Calculus	
	2.00 pm	Economics		Accounting	
Tue 24 Nov	9.30 am		English		Religious Studies
	2.00 pm	History	Chinese	Biology	Economics
Wed 25 Nov	9.30 am	English			Te Reo Rangatira
	2.00 pm	Drama	History	Health	Physics
Thu 26 Nov	9.30 am	Business Studies	Chemistry	Agricultural & Horticultural Science German Chinese	English
	2.00 pm	Biology	Music	Media Studies	Accounting
Fri 27 Nov	9.30 am	Science		Making Music	History
	2.00 pm	Samoan Spanish	Geography	Chemistry	
WEEKEND					
Mon 30 Nov	9.30 am	Te Reo Māori Art History	Japanese	Te Reo Rangatira Social Studies Psychology	Samoan
	2.00 pm	Latin	Agricultural & Horticultural Science		Geography
Tue 1 Dec	9.30 am	Accounting		English	
	2.00 pm	Home Economics	Economics		Media Studies
Wed 2 Dec	9.30 am	German	Biology	Geography	
	2.00 pm	Dance		Physics	
Thu 3 Dec	9.30 am	Physics	Home Economics	Classical Studies	Japanese
	2.00 pm		Media Studies	Home Economics	Art History
Fri 4 Dec	9.30 am	Chemistry	Business Studies	French	Te Reo Māori
	2.00 pm	Classical Studies	Health	Economics	
WEEKEND					
Mon 7 Dec	9.30 am	Japanese	Te Reo Rangatira Latin	Japanese	
	2.00 pm		French	Spanish	Latin
Tue 8 Dec	9.30 am	Health	Samoan Education for Sustainability	Te Reo Māori Latin	Chinese
	2.00 pm		Social Studies	Music Studies	Spanish
Wed 9 Dec	9.30 am	Social Studies	Dance	Art History	Earth & Space Science
EXAMS END (Term 4 ends 16 Dec)					