

December 2020: Week 9, Term 4

From the Principal



The year has ended with fabulous participation and enjoyment in wider education from our year 9 and 10 students. It was pleasure to celebrate progress and achievement in the Junior prize giving. Thank you to Mrs Cave and Mr Garraway, who presented the top academic awards at the prize giving, as the final act in their distinguished 30 years plus careers at Mt Roskill Grammar School.



To be freely celebrating the year together in the Butler Hall is a success all in itself. We have grown together and thrived together in this most testing year. I expect sometime in the future we will be able look back and pick out life shaping things we have learned about coping with challenges and change.

Thank you to everyone for your spirit and support in 2020. Best wishes for a refreshing, safe, and healthy summer break.

Ngā manaakitanga
Greg Watson
Principal

Board of Trustees

This year we have all excelled at managing change. We have all done the best we can. There is one thing that is constant in life and that is change but this year the amount of it has challenged us all. We have all found new ways of doing things and innovation and change has been rapid.

We have learnt the value of strong and clear leadership and communication. When we are feeling a bit shaky in ourselves as our known world seems to turn upside down, strong leadership provides us with calmness and direction.

Thank you to Mr Watson, the senior leadership team, staff, students, whānau, the BOT and our community for the leadership each of you has shown in helping support others or in finding your way in a new normal.



The values of manaakitanga, whanaungatanga and tūmanakotanga are deeply embedded in the Roskill Way. We know that we can and will adapt to any change that comes our way in 2021 together.

Marjet Pot
BOT Chairperson

Dates for your diary

Wed 3 Feb	Pōwhiri Y9, Y13, Peer Mentor leaders and ALL new students
Thu 4 Feb	First full school day for all students
Mon 8 Feb	Waitangi Day – School Closed

Junior prize-giving

Principal's Academic Award for 1st in Year 10	Fateema Islam
2nd in Year 10	April Hartmann
Principal's Academic Award for 1st in Year 9	Saahir Saheb
2nd in Year 9	Amie Mao
Whanaungatanga Cup for demonstrating participation, leadership and service in our community	Deepesh Badoniya
Junior Leadership in Kapa Haka Mana Taiohi	Bret Tauali'i
All Round Sportsman of the Year	Tom Watkinson
All Round Sportswoman of the Year	Sailau Havea
Junior Sportsman of the Year	Alex Thomson
Junior Sportswoman of the Year	Kalarnee Stunzner
Excellence in Year 10 Performing Arts	Sofia Familara
Excellence in Year 9 Performing Arts	Zeba Darediya
House Shield - (Ngata House)	Tom Watkinson

Mt Roskill Intermediate

I would like to congratulate the many past students who were acknowledged in the Mt Roskill Grammar Prizegivings. We are proud to follow your continued development as learners, leaders, artists, musicians, athletes and citizens.

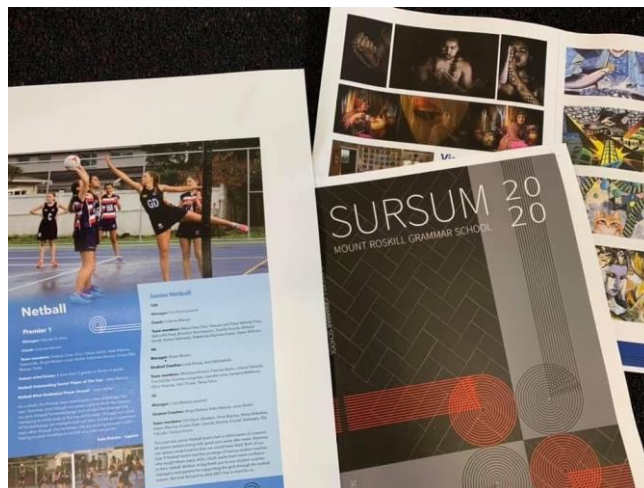
Kristin Walsham
MRIS Principal

Photolife Class and Individual portraits have arrived

Online orders have arrived into school. Please see admin to collect them.

Sursum 2020

School magazine is now available through accounts \$26. Limited stock, first in first served. We have done more than you think this year. Don't miss out on the opportunity to reflect on 2020.



Lockers

ALL lockers need to be cleared out for the year.

BYOD

We are a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) school. All of our courses at every level have an online component and devices are used by students on a daily basis to access learning activities and resources. Attached to this newsletter is a flyer from Harvey Norman detailing some recommended devices at a variety of price points. The school aims to support all students to have access to a device but we will only be able to loan devices where there is family hardship. If you are able please consider equipping your student with a device for learning in 2021. That way we can use our limited resources to supply those students in genuine need.

Uniform donations

Living the values of manaakitanga and whanaungatanga, can those of you leaving MRGS in 2020 please consider donating any uniform not needed by your family to those less fortunate in our community. Donations gratefully received by Jules in admin.

Outward Bound reunion

Our three Outward Bound students from year 12 catching up with their colleagues from the 'Hiringa' group last week at Butterfly Creek. We look forward to sending more lucky students away in 2021! Pictured are Melanie Spence and Josie Noller (seated front row) and Deylone Tohilima (2nd row)



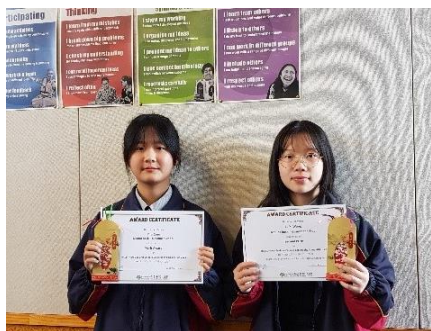
New Zealand Chinese Calligraphy Competition

MRGS had a very successful set of results for this nationwide competition. The following students received Certificates and prizes:

Ze Xi Wang – 2nd Prize Calligraphy (Hard Pen)

Tina Lau – Merit Award

Yinwa Maily Chan – 2nd Prize (Hard Pen)



Korean Language Speech contest

Jannet Xu has won the “Enthusiasm Prize” in a Korean Language Speech contest. She is coached by Ms Jinny Jang as part of a co-curricular opportunity at MRGS. She received both a certificate and a smart watch as a prize.

Stationery packs for 2021



The advertisement features a teal background with a circular inset on the left showing a young woman with dark hair tied back, smiling and looking at a smartphone. The OfficeMax logo is in the top left corner, with 'MySchool' written in a large, white, stylized font. To the right of the image, the text 'Got five minutes?' is written in large white letters. Below this, it says 'Your child's back to school class list is ready to shop now at **myschool.co.nz** or call us Mon to Fri, 8.30am – 5pm.' The bottom of the ad has a green bar containing the website 'myschool.co.nz', the phone number '0800 724 440', and a logo that says 'Get school ready faster'.

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Year 9 & 10 Wider Ed, 2-4 Dec



Alumni

Yash Krishna (2013) is the NZ Womens Lacrosse Team (NZBLAX) Strength and Conditioning Coach. Yash has been appointed in the build up to the World Lacrosse Womens World Cup in 2021:

<https://www.nzlacrosse.com/appointment-of-nzblax-sc-coach-and-specialist-assistant-coach/>



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

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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.



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Orders for
Made-to-Measure
school uniforms need
to be placed by
17 December 2020

Special Fittings for Mt Roskill Grammar Uniforms

Elizabeth Michael Uniforms offers a Made-to-Measure service at no extra cost to those students who fall outside our school uniform size range (please see side panel).

In order to be able to offer this service we need all students to visit us at our Elizabeth Michael Uniforms, 4 Bond Street, Grey Lynn.

If you do not place a uniform order by this date we are unable to guarantee you will have a uniform for the start of 2021.

All student's who do require this service must visit us at Elizabeth Michael Uniforms.

Please phone us on 09 358 1680 ext 8 to book in your made-to-measure session with our in-house experts.

Elizabeth Michael Uniforms is open 6 days a week:

Monday - Friday	9am - 5pm
Friday	9am - 4pm
Saturday	9am - 12pm

Please note our special fitting service is available on Tuesday - Thursday only.

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Orders for Made-to-Measure school uniforms need to be placed no later than...
Thursday 17 December 2020

- Are you exceptionally tall or have very long arms for your age?
i.e. the length of sleeves or body length in regular clothes is usually an issue for you?
- **GIRLS** are you smaller than a size 4 or larger than a size 22?
- **BOYS** are you smaller than a 64cm waist or a 2XS shirt?
- **BOYS** are you larger than a 132cm waist or a 5XL shirt?
- Please note all Elizabeth Michael garments are 'adult' sizes.

All uniforms are to be paid in full at the Mt Roskill Grammar Uniform shop before you come to Elizabeth Michael Uniforms to be measured. An invoice or docket will need to be presented at the time of the fitting.

- This service is offered to those who require a "Made-to-Measure" service, we do not make special garments for minor differences.
- Hem and sleeve shortening is the responsibility of the individual. Elizabeth Michael Uniforms do not offer an alteration service for standard size garments.

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