



Summer Holiday Programme at Clareville

Come along to the Wairarapa Hockey turfs and Pavilion for three fun filled days of Games, Arts & Crafts, Water Play and lots more.

Dates and times are as follows:
23rd, 24th & 25th of January 2019

Juniors (5 - 8yrs) - 9am - 12pm, \$60 for all three days
Seniors (8 - 12yrs) - 9am - 3pm, \$120 for all three days

Everyone is welcome. For more information please contact Jess at jdo@hockeywairarapa.org.nz or phone 0277412520

Register here: <http://www.hockeywairarapa.org.nz/Online-Registration-Forms/Holiday-Programmes>

MASTERTON free

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

22 - 25 JANUARY 2019
5-13 YEAR OLDS



Happy Holidays

We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy holiday break. We look forward to seeing you back on Wednesday 30th January.

2019 Term Dates

- Term 1: Wednesday 30th January - Friday 12th April
- Term 2: Monday 29th April - Friday 5th July
- Term 3: Monday 22nd July - Friday 27th September
- Term 4: Monday 14th October - Friday 13th December

Staff Changes for 2019

We are farewelling a number of staff at the end of the year and welcoming new staff for 2019. Stephanie Hoy is leaving her position as Junior Syndicate Leader and heading to the Wellington region to live and work. We may see her back here for some relieving in the short term next year but we wish her well in her new venture. Her position is being filled by Tash McQueen who has been in and out of school in a relieving capacity and we welcome her to her new role as Junior Syndicate Leader and New Entrant Teacher in Room 2. Mrs Ammundsen, our Reading Recovery Teacher is retiring and she is looking forward to some travel and grandparenting duties. She will be replaced by Mrs Anne Scott.

Kate Pearce and her family are moving to Taupo, we wish them all the best, and Bridget Rankin will be taking over as the Room 1 teacher (with Mrs Tankersley teaching in Room 1 on Fridays). Mrs Milne is leaving to have her baby and we welcome back Mrs Charlotte Williams who will teach Sue Smith's class, now in Room 4, each Friday. We wish Racheal Wilkie all the best with her new course and thank her for doing so much for FOS as well as being a Teacher Aide at MPS. Our teachers are also on the move as we rearrange the positioning of the teachers' classrooms to be in syndicates. We hope this is not too confusing as we get used to new room numbers for many of our teachers.

Lost Property

Please remember to check the Lost Property box located outside the Library for any unclaimed lost clothing. Lost Property will be put outside for parents to check all week. Please check each day as often items don't turn up on the day they are lost, they might turn up a couple of days later.



School Patrol Students

Well done to all the 2018 Patrol students who have worked hard keeping MPS students safe crossing the road. The patrols attended a Patrol Pool Party recently to celebrate their hard work.

Congratulations to Aailyah Daniel who received MPS's patrol person of the year award for our school.

Stationery For 2019

The office will be open Monday 28th and Tuesday 29th January 2019 for parents to come in and pay for stationery. This is to prevent the huge congestion at the office on the first day back at school. A letter advising what class your child will be in next year as well as the cost of stationery will be given out on Thursday afternoon.

HOME READING BOOK AMNESTY

Thank you to those parents who have hunted around and found home reading books. The returns just keep coming in! We really do appreciate your efforts. Please, if you haven't had a look already, then this is your last chance. Please return any books that you find.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO CALL/TEXT THE OFFICE IF STUDENT'S ARE GOING TO BE AWAY. 027 711 9021
ALL LATE STUDENTS MUST COME TO THE OFFICE FOR A LATE STAMP, PLEASE DO NOT BE LATE!

CHRISTMAS
Holidays
Reindeers visit
It is all amazing
Santa Claus is coming
to my house
Mum is surprised
and dad is too
so we are all happy

Acrostic Poem
By Imogen Ogden Room 9

Summer Holidays

Some parents ask teachers what they can do to help their child learn over the Christmas break so they don't lose ground over the summer. Recent research, published from around the world, suggests that any more than two hours screentime a day could damage children's brain development. The research found that more than two hours a day of recreational screen time was associated with worse working memory, processing speed, attention levels, language skills and executive function. Overall cognition (thinking) skills were best among children who got between nine to 11 hours sleep, less than two hours recreational screen time, and at least an hour's exercise daily.

So as teachers we encourage you to enjoy the summer holidays with your child/children and spend some time playing board games, playing sports, encouraging reading for pleasure and getting outside and enjoying the park and beaches as all of these will help them develop many skills which set them up for learning. We hope you have a good Christmas and New Year from all the staff at MPS.

SPACES ARE LIMITED!
Registrations close Tues 18 December 2018
Register online at:
connectingcommunities.org.nz/school-holiday-programme/ or
pick up a form from your school, or
call/text Ruth 027 641 9229

THE AMAZING READ
Summer Reading Programme @
Masterton District Library
2018-2019

Spaces still available
Register now.

The Amazing Read is for preschool (ages 3-4) & primary aged children.

This exciting FREE programme runs 3 December - 16 January 2019.

Calendar of Events

- Wednesday 12th December
- Thursday 13th December
- Friday 14th December
- Wednesday 30th January

NE Open Morning. 9.00-12.30pm
Leavers Assembly - 1.00pm
Last Day Term 4 (12.30pm finish)
2019 start date. (Note Date Change)

Leavers Assembly
1.00pm
Thursday 13th December



Lunches available this week.

- Wednesday** - MPS Hamburgers \$3.50
- Thursday** - Subway - Envelopes at the office.
- Friday** - No lunches - Finish 12.30pm

PB4L WEEKLY FOCUS
'Making Good Choices'