



2020 Finish Date

Our last day of the school year is on **Monday the 14th of December – FINISH AT 12.30PM.**
 The MPS Prizegiving Assembly is on **Friday the 11th of December at 1:15pm.**
 We wish you all a happy and safe holiday and look forward to seeing students back on **Wednesday 3rd February.**

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 an enjoyable holiday break and a great New Year from all the staff at MPS.

MPS Awards

The Winners last week were:
 Zeayk Hodson Room 7 for waiting patiently, listening to others, respecting others and having good manners.
 Suane Botes Room 10 for waiting patiently, following instructions, making good choices and having good manners.
 Taylor Gregory Room 7 for waiting patiently, listening to others, respecting others and having good manners

Stationery 2021

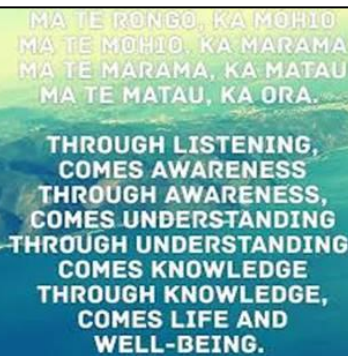
Stationery for all students will be ordered again for next year. Notices regarding stationery costs and classes for 2021 will be coming home on **Friday 11th December.**
 We are encouraging parents to pay online or come into the office on **Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd February** to save the chaos in the office first thing Wednesday morning. Payment details will be on the letter.

Parking in Patea Place

Please do not park over neighbouring driveways in Patea Place.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Reminder:
 Our Breakfast Club hours are from **8.00am-8.30am**
 Students need to be in class by **8:45am.**
 Please ensure they get to breakfast club and class on time.



What's Hot - Enviro Spot

Mr Feringa
 For doing so much for the school
 &
Mrs Broughton
 For doing lots of things for MPS – we will miss you.

Calendar of Events

- Prizegiving Assembly
- Term 4 Ends 12.30pm
- Start Date for 2021

Fri 11th December
Mon 14th December
Wed 3rd February

ASSEMBLY

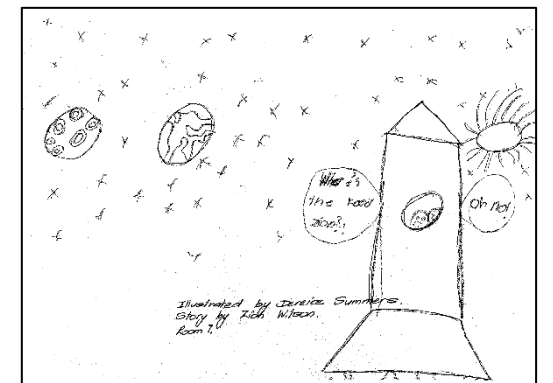
PRIZE GIVING
 ASSEMBLY
 1.15pm



PLEASE REMEMBER TO CALL/TEXT THE OFFICE IF STUDENTS 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! SCHOOL STARTS AT 8.45am

Space Travellers

Once upon a time we were thinking of going to space. We thought for three days and then we said "Yes" The next day we made a rocket ship. Dereice came up to me and said "What is that?"
 I said "It is a rocket ship".
 He said "That is really cool"
 I said "Do you want to come to space with me?"
 Dereice said "Yes!"
 We went ... and it took 28 weeks!
 We got into space and we saw other planets... but we forgot something ... it was food!!! We were panicking! We were not happy... and there was another thing that was really bad We were lost!!
 Our engine had run out of fuel. We fell back to Earth and we landed in the Ukraine.
 We couldn't get back to Masterton.
 Dereice and I were really angry. We saw a boat and we stole it.
 We came back to Masterton and it took two years to get back to Masterton.
 We were very happy. The End
 Written and illustrated by Zion Wilson. Year 3 Room 7
 An extra illustration from his fellow space traveller Dereice Summers Year 3 Room 7.



2021 TERM DATES

- Term One**
Wed 3rd Feb-Fri 16th April
- Term Two**
Mon 3rd May-Fri 9th July
- Term Three**
Mon 26th July-Fri 1st Oct
- Term Four**
Mon 18th Oct-Mon 13th Dec

Please keep up to date with newsletters throughout the year for any date changes.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

AGE: 8-14yo TIME: 9am - 12pm

MASTERTON
 DATE: 17 & 18 December
 LOCATION: Solway College, 49 Fleet St
 COST: \$45/ day
 \$80 for both days

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Kids Klub



PB4L WEEKLY FOCUS

'Making Good Choices'



Lunch Orders

WEDNESDAY

Pita Pit
 Orders can be placed online
www.lunchonline.co.nz

THURSDAY

Subway
 You can order online or collect an envelope from our school office.
 Mini subs \$3.00 - \$3.70
 6 inch subs \$4.00 to \$5.20

FRIDAY

NO LUNCHES DUE TO PRIZE GIVING ASSEMBLY