

Respect, Responsibility, Aroha, Self-discipline, Honesty

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Our year 7 and 8 students are eagerly anticipating their camping experience in Kaiaua from the $1^{st} - 4^{th}$ December 2020. The van will be used to transport our students, it will not be available for pick-ups and dropoffs during this time. If your child travels on the van, please make alternative plans, the service will resume Monday 7th December.

All schools attempt to engage their communities with values, mission statements and catch phrases that link us to strategic direction. However, if our community is disconnected from this process, these become idealistic and untenable.

2021 has already featured in our forward planning for success at MAS, however, I would like to share one of our aspirations that will provide a 'point of difference' for Miller Avenue School.

MAS is about **opportunity**, not just a place where tamariki come to be taught. Educational opportunity is a ticket to growth, change and dreams. Help us to spread this important message. This is based on the understanding that the first 7 years of learning are the most significant.

At MAS we teach the child, not the subject. This will be embodied in an initiative called the <u>'personalized learning plan'</u> (PLP's) for each of our students. It helps us as a school to begin the important process of differentiated learning.

There's lots of exciting opportunities ahead.

Kind regards Richard Wilkinson Principal

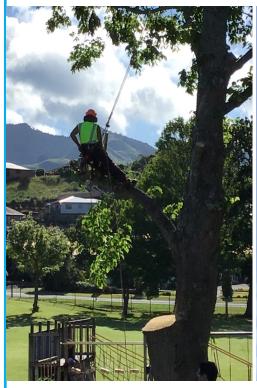
	Coming Events
	Whiringa-ā-Rangi (NOVEMBER)
23rd-27th	Mufti Week
	<u> Hakihea (DECEMBER)</u>
1st-4th	Year 7&8 Camp
1st	Sista Smash Cricket Yr 5&6 Girls
2nd	Board of Trustees Meeting 6pm STEM Room
4th	Paeroa Santa Parade
11th	Prizegiving Junior 1.30pm & Senior 6.00pm
15th	Last Day of School (12 .00 pm finish)



Room 10 watches the tree fall

On Monday 16th November the big tree which we sit under in the summer was felled. Unfortunately it was diseased and unstable so the aborists said it must go. We watched the expert tree fellers methodically cut it down with precision and care.

Room 10 wrote stories about what they saw and how they felt about the cutting down of the big tree.







The tree is 70 years old. The tree had a long life. I am sad but I will always remember the tree. The man climbed the tree then the man was chopping the tree. I didn't want the man to chop the tree.

By Deon'dre-Rm 10

This morning all of the school were watching the tree get chopped down.

There were 3 people doing jobs. Two people were grinding the branches with a wood chipper. The wood chipper makes them into little dots.

The tree is 70 years old. One of the people was chopping the tree. Lots of dust was going into my eyes. The dust looked like it was snowing.

I thought it was going to fall on

I don't want it to happen again. By Marlie - Rm 10

This morning the whole school went to watch a tree that has been at the school for 70 years getting chopped down. The branches made a loud sound. By the time it was finished being cut up it was about morning tea. There was a wood chipper and a rope for some reason and obviously a chainsaw. There was tons of sawdust it was cool watching it.

Stella—Rm 10

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Positive Playsround

Clayton—Room 10 Makae're—Room 7 Caught Being Good

Ivy—Room 9
Kauri-Dennis—Room 7
Harry—Room 7

Big 'A' offendeince Awerd

Room 5

WANTED FOR ROOM 7 PLEASE

Empty clean coffee jars with lids. If you can please save them up and bring to school. Thank you.





Touch Fees are now overdue. Please pay to the office or by internet banking asap.
\$10 per player.

SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOKS: Can you please check at home, in school bags and under beds for any Miller Avenue School library books that you may have. We have to do our annual library stocktake next week and need all books returned please.



FREE EAR CLINIC: Will be in Paeroa on Thursday 10th December 11am-12pm at the Plunket Rooms Cnr Wharf & Marshall Streets, Paeroa.

REMINDER: As part of our schools sun safe policy ALL students must be wearing a Miller Avenue Sunhat during terms 1 and 4. Students not wearing hats are expected to play in specific areas in the shade.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB: All orders for the latest issue of the scholastic book club are due in tomorrow **Friday 27th November.** Please bring your orders and money to the office.







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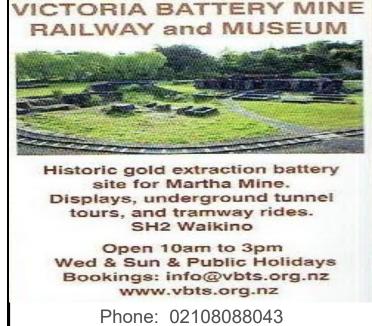
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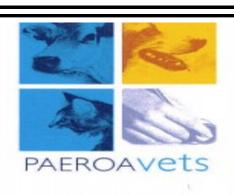
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