



MASCOT

Respect, Responsibility, Aroha, Self-discipline, Honesty

Phone: 07 862 8602 Absentee Messages: 027 952 3203

3rd March 2022

Kia orā tatou katoā

Thank you to all of our whanau who responded to my request to log your child's absence on our MAS Skool Loop App. I am hugely grateful.

This has achieved 3 things:

1. We are able to mark your tamariki as justifiably absent.
2. We can provide learning packs that our tamariki can access while away, effectively meaning that they will be officially learning from home.
3. **It provides a means of identifying a reason for their absence.**

These times are definitely unprecedented, however, our plan as a school is very clear.

School is the best place for your child right now. I would always encourage parents to send children to school and trust us to care for your taonga. This is what we do, our systems allow us to manage any situation regardless of its seriousness or difficulty. If you choose to keep your children home, learning packs will be prepared for every child, regardless. These will be provided on **Thursday 3rd March.**

Take care whanau...

Nga Manākitanga

Richard Wilkinson – MAS Principal

COMING EVENTS

March—Poutūterangi

8th	Teen Esteem Workshop—Yr 6—9.00am to 3.00pm
9th	Teen Esteem Workshop—Yr 6—9.00am to 3.00pm
11th	Values Assembly 2.30pm



From the Board Chair...

Tena Koutou Katoa,
Nau mai hoki mai

Firstly I would like to welcome new whānau to our school community, MAS strives to be a safe, supportive and community focused school centered on the needs of our tamariki. This year will be challenging and your support will be needed. Please do reach out to our principal and staff if you have any worries or questions.

Secondly I wish to welcome and commend our newly inducted School Board Members for taking up these challenging and rewarding roles, we have a lot of diverse skills, enthusiasm and aspirations amongst our Board members, over the coming weeks we will profile our board members, so you can get to know them.

One of the School board's primary functions is to ensure that school is a physically and emotionally safe place for all students and staff. I have confidence and assurance in our school health and safety policies and covid response plan that ensures we are meeting our obligations. I would like to invite our school community to engage with our schedule of school policy review that you can link via the MAS website. The current review includes Health, Safety and Welfare, Emergency, Disaster and Crisis Management.

<https://millerave.schooldocs.co.nz/>

Login: millerave

Password: mascot

On a more practical note, I have done a little research and found that it is safe to wash and re-use the (blue disposable) surgical masks up to 10 times:

- A disposable blue surgical mask can be worn more than once if it is washed in hot water each time it is worn.
- Washing in hot water and then drying will kill any virus particles they have collected during use.
- Putting them through the washing machine with soap powder is the harshest way of washing them; hand washing just in water is fine.
- Keep some with you all the time in case you need to use them.
- Do not share masks – you need a few so each member of your whānau can have their own mask.

<https://www.healthnavigator.org.nz/health-a-z/c/covid-19-face-masks/>

Lastly, we are hoping to start some community working bees this year and invite all whānau to join us, our first project will commence in May with a planting project across the west bank. We will confirm details at a later date.

My contact details are bc@millerave.school.nz; I welcome your suggestions and ideas.

Nga mihi nui,
Janine Appleby, Presiding Member



Miller Avenue School Contact Information

E-mail: office@millerave.school.nz

Website: www.millerave.school.nz

Bank Account: 03-1572-0010292-00 (please put in payment details and your child's name) Westpac

CONGRATULATIONS

To our 2022 House Leaders...

Kauri: Awatere & Azaeliyah

Kowhai: Tiana & Daniel

Rimu: Ameliah & Manaia

Totara: Kororia & Jack

Congratulations to these 8 students stepping up to support their peers.

CLASS STATIONERY

Please ensure your child is equipped with the “tools to learning” by having their class stationery requirements. Our school is no longer selling stationery so parents/caregivers will have to source stationery from either our online stationery provider, Qizzle or purchasing it at any stationery store. Stationery lists are available from the school office, school website under parent information and our school app.

YEAR 7 & 8 TECH AT PAEROA COLLEGE

Year 7 & 8 Technology at Paeroa College has been placed on hold for the time being. Students will be at school as per normal every Tuesday until further notice.

SUNHAT TERM

Please remember to provide your child with a sunhat during Term 1. Despite the cooler mornings there is still some intense heat in the sun during the day. Hats and all other uniform items are available to purchase online from Direct Group Uniforms:

<http://shop.directgroup.co.nz/store/miller-avenue-school/>



Kia Ora

Ko Roey Tauranga ahau

I am a parent rep on our BOT. I am mama to Kauri-dennis 12yrs old and Max 5 years old whom attend Miller Ave. We are originally from South Auckland but have lived in Paeroa for the last 3 years. My previous jobs were with the Ministry of Justice and also as a Kaiwhakahaere at a Kohanga Reo. Today I can be seen driving around in the Stats NZ vehicle. My passion is to ensure that our tamariki are given the best teaching and learning while socializing in a safe environment preparing them for their next journey at college.

In these strange and uncertain times, resilience and good communication are key. We are a strong close-knit school and community and we must come together to support each other for our tamariki.

Te kupu i te reo

Māori i te reo Mā

Tumanāko - Hope

WANTED

Clean milk bottle lids, L&P bottles and magazines.

Please drop any of these items into our school office.

Thank you.

PUBLIC NOTICES

No Friday Night Friend-zy this Friday 4th March



NGATEA HOCKEY CLUB



SUMMER HOCKEY 2022

FRIDAYS

Senior starts 4 March – 8 April
Junior starts 18 March – 8 April

COME AND HAVE A GO! SOCIAL 6 ASIDE MIXED. NEW PLAYERS WELCOME!
NGATEA HOCKEY CENTRE, NGATEA

REGISTRATIONS AND PAYMENTS BEFORE 2 MARCH ENTER ON LINE
www.valleyhockey.org.nz. Or email hotrust@farmside.co.nz Rachael Aitchison,
Ngatea Hockey Club 021 131 9987

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME

PAEROA YOUTH RUGBY MUSTER

THURSDAY, MARCH 3RD
4.30PM – 5.30PM
GENTENNIAL PARK CLUBROOMS

Alternatively, information to register online will be available soon. Due to COVID restrictions, this will be a sign up only event, please wear your mask and scan in

COACHES & MANAGERS NEEDED!
Please contact Kiara on 027 953 2550 to register your interest as a coach or manager

OUR NEW SCHOOL APP

Miller Avenue School

Thanks to the below business for sponsoring our school app:



**Tamariki
station**

Early Childhood
Education Centre



If you would like to advertise on the Miller Avenue School Skool Loop App please email Content@skoolloop.com



To download our app: In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose Miller Avenue School once installed.