

Principal's message:

Dear Parents/Caregivers and whanau

We are now just half-way through the second 8-day cycle of learning at Masterton Intermediate and we are impressed by the way in which the vast majority of our students are responding very positively towards the many opportunities that are available to them. Our new students who arrived here on Tuesday, January 29 are already looking far more confident within the MIS surroundings.



The return of selection forms for the Education Outside the Classroom programme has been a little slower than hoped for with 62 students still to complete this task. Groups will be finalised by Friday, February 22 and letters will be issued from each of our teachers to explain costs, organisation, and equipment required. There will also be a request for adult assistance with supervision. Your support with these activities would be much appreciated.

We endeavour to ensure that our school remains open for instruction from 8.45 am to 3.00 pm as regularly as possible throughout the school year. In Term One, there will be two exceptions on the following dates:

Friday, March 8 in week six the school will be closed all day. Our staff will be involved in a First Aid training day with Red Cross.

Tuesday, March 19 in week eight the school will close at 12.30 pm so that our three-way conferences with students, parents and teachers can start at 1.00 pm. These 20 minute conferences are very important to strengthen our partnership towards enabling your child to be the best that they can be. The other date for conferences will be on Wednesday, March 27 in week nine with the first time slot at 3.30 pm. In 2019 we are determined to achieve a 100% attendance at these conferences.

If you have a question or concern about any aspect relating to your child, please contact their class teacher through the school office on 370-0088.

A reminder of the dates for some other important events this term:

WEEK	ACTIVITY/EVENT
4	- Equestrian event on Wednesday, February 20 - Boys First XI cricket v Opaki on Wednesday afternoon, February 20 - Pōwhiri at 9.00 am for the Principal and Deputy Principals of Tawa Intermediate on Friday, February 22
5	- Ki-o-Rahi Classic at Riversdale on Friday, March 1
6	- Masterton Cluster Swimming event on Wednesday, March 6 - Teacher Only Day on Friday, March 8 - school closed for instruction - Kapa Haka performing at the Bring it to Colombo opening on Friday, March 8
7	- First XI Girls Cricket tournament in Palmerston North on March 14 and 15 - Kapa Haka group to perform the haka "Ko Wairarapa" to start the Relay for Life at the Clareville Showgrounds at 3.45 pm on Saturday afternoon, March 16

8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School closes at 12.30 pm on Tuesday, March 19 for Three-way conferences starting from 1.00 pm to 8.30 pm - Class and Individual Photos on Wednesday, March 20 - Education Outside the Classroom programme on Thursday, March 21 and Friday, March 22
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WRISSA Baseball tournament in Lower Hutt on Wednesday, March 27 - Three-way conferences from 3.30 to 8.30 pm on Wednesday, March 27
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Student Leadership Camp at Kaitoke on Monday, April 1 and Tuesday, April 2 - WRISSA Sevens Rugby tournament at Trentham Memorial Park on Wednesday, April 3rd - Principal and Deputy principals visiting from Cambridge East School on Thursday, April 4 and Friday, April 5
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ADMIRE Day on Monday, April 8 - three students selected in each class - Litermania Quiz at MIS on Tuesday, April 9 - Attitude Presentation at 9:20 am in the school hall on Wednesday, April 10 - Syndicate Haka competition in the hall at 11.30 am - School closes at normal time 3:00 Friday, April 12

Naku noa atu.

Russell Thompson

My favourite thing about MIS so-far is technicraft. I am doing Music. – Wyatt Backhouse , Room 11



Room 16 students practising for the non-stop cricket comp!



I'm really enjoying learning in the Waipoua Hub - Ariella Perry, Room 14



Mason Woodhouse and Kaelas Chalklen from Room 9 enjoying their music lesson!



RANDOM NUMBERS

- 1** the number of students who have hit a home run over the fence on to Intermediate Street in baseball or softball. Congratulations to Le'Sharn Reiri-Paku who achieved this feat for the MIS Red Sox baseball team on Wednesday, February 13.
- 55** The number of students who will be starting their guitar lessons next week.
- 250** The number of students who turned up to the first Kapa Haka session on Wednesday, February 13
- 483** The number of selection forms that have been returned for the EOTC programme by the due date of Friday, February 15. Thank you to these families - 89% of our school.
- 530** The number of Masterton Intermediate students who have not had a referral entered for negative behaviour but have chosen to proudly follow our school's ADMIRE values during these first 13 days of the 2019 school. Thank you all. You are still being considered for the Term One ADMIRE Day on Monday, April 8.

Snapshot on sports:

SUMMER SPORTS

Friday Night Softball – STARTS TONIGHT!

WANTED

SPORTS COACHES/MANAGERS/SUPPORTERS

Welcome to MIS sport for 2019.

Are you enthusiastic about sport? Are you keen to assist our students in sport?

We want to hear from you!

Please contact our sports coordinator for more information on how you can help.

We welcome all parents and whanau support.

Nicola Veale- nicola@mis.school.nz or 06 3700088 ext 711



Celebrating our success:

<i>Thank you to these generous sponsors for our Mahi Pai draw:</i>	<i>Congratulations also to these winners on Thursday, February 7:</i>
Copthorne Park Driving Range	Logan – Room 1
Clareville Bakery	Jayla – Room 9
Lone Star	Lucas – Room 1
Masterbowl	Hailee – Room 17
Pukaha Mt Bruce	Joshua – Room 14
McDonalds	Sasha – Room 2
Pita Pit	Joshua – Room 1



TECHNICRAFT AWARDS

The Technicraft Awards for displaying the A.D.M.I.R.E. values in each of these Specialist Areas were presented in assembly on Thursday, February 7:

Cooking	David Rees – Room 2
Design Technology	Ayla Wright – Room 3
Music	Terryn Ward-Forrester – Room 5
Science	Hayden Hunt – Room 2



For your information:

Meet the Teacher evening is Thursday 21st February at 5:30pm til 7pm. BBQ sausage sizzle will be available followed by a visit to your child's class and a korero from their teacher!

LEARNING AN INSTRUMENT AT MIS

Lessons for guitar start with our Music Tutors next week, beginning 18th February. All other instruments will start the week of the 25th February.

Lessons are held in the two practice rooms adjacent to the stage in the Hall. They have big signs on the doors.

The lists with days and exact times are on the Music Room notice board. Guitar students please remember to bring your guitar!

If you still need a form, because you have someone who would like to learn an instrument, these are available from the Office.



MASTERTON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
 Individual Stableford Golf Tournament
EKETAHUNA GOLF CLUB
 Sunday 24th February
 Entry Fee \$20.00
 Tee off 12.00pm

**FUNDRAISER FOR
 JAPANESE EXCHANGE 2018**

Come and help us and these fabulous kids raise funds for our educational exchange trip to Osaka Japan. The day will include Shotgun start, Haggie Hole, Closest to the Pin, Quick Fire Raffle, Refreshments and fantastic prizes. An excellent fun filled day. Entry fee \$20. Cash only on Golf Course.
 Contact Masterton Intermediate School to enter 06 370 0088 or kulen@mis.school.nz or register on the day.

A fundraising night with
Nigel Latta
 To provide free digital support to seniors from Digital Seniors

**STONE AGED BRAINS
 IN SMART PHONE TIMES:**
HOW TO SURVIVE & THRIVE IN THE MODERN WORLD
 14th March
 6.45pm to 9pm
 Carterson Event Centre

Buy online from eventfinda

Tickets \$40 including tea
Pre-show drinks and nibbles incl.



A message From the IT desk:

BYOD's –

Thank you to those families who have been patient with us while we apply the licences to your child's device. We are a Chromebook only school as indicated in our enrolment pack however, there have been a number of other devices coming in to school which has slowed down the process for everyone. We are unable to manage these non-chromebook devices within school. If in future you are thinking of purchasing a device for your child, please ensure that it is a Chromebook.



SOCIAL MEDIA -

Most popular social media services such as Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Instagram, and Snapchat **don't allow anyone under 13** to join. Even so, lots of younger children manage to set up accounts. Research about online safety suggests parents remain engaged and involved with their children's online behaviour by asking how new applications work and creating their own account. If your child joins Snapchat, so should you.

Due to the fact that it is illegal for children under 13 to join these social media services, here at MIS we will not get involved with any issues arising from these social media services.



FINAL REMINDER: If your child is absent, please phone the school office or use our school app. Facebook is not the forum to report student absences as it is not checked regularly enough to ensure that all students are accounted for.



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