

Arthur Miller School

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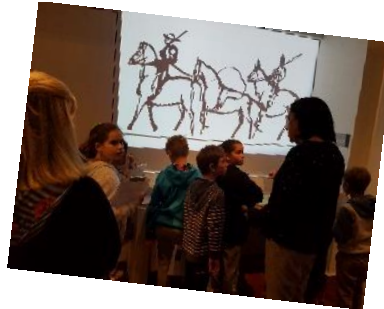
Striving towards excellence – underpinned by our values of being Caring, Collaborative and Curious

Newsletter No. 10 – Thursday, 4 July 2019

Greetings Parents and Caregivers,

We warmly welcome these new students and their families to the school community. It is great to have you join us at Arthur Miller:
Reception/Year 0: Ashlee Vucetic-Gempton

Team Kauri had a very successful EOTC trip to the MTG to learn about how games and toys have been modified over time. This ties in with their current work of inventing and adapting devices to help meet needs.



Representatives from Room 8 had the opportunity of going 'on air' at The Hits radio station on Friday 28 June after Lucy Esau won selection. Children read news, weather, made announcements and told jokes to the Hawkes Bay community between 9 and 10 o'clock. The event was a fundraiser for Plunket with pledges coming in from the audience, and the children playing tracks chosen by the class. Well done Lucy, and to all the children involved.



A group of our Year 6 students represented Arthur Miller with pride in an interschool Ki o Rahi tournament at Bledisloe School on Friday 21 June. Much fun was had as participants played this modified Māori sport. This game for those who have not had the opportunity to watch it is like a cross between handball and rippa rugby, played on a circular pitch. Many thanks to Mr Maloney and Mrs Middleton, who co-ordinated this for our school team.



Parent Interviews

Thank you very much for supporting and attending our parent interviews this week. Teachers appreciate the opportunity to meet and discuss your children's achievement. It is important to share progress and set learning and social goals in partnership with parents so that we can work together to advance learning as effectively as possible.

Special Assembly for Kerry Ebbett

Last Friday we held a special farewell assembly for Kerry Ebbett who is leaving the school at the end of the week after 23 years of service to the students and school community at Arthur Miller. It was lovely to have Kerry's parents Denise and Fred join us for the assembly. The children sang some songs to Kerry, presented her with 'thank you' messages and flowers, before our boys led a moving haka of acknowledgement.



Matariki Rotation

Our children have all been taking part in cross grouped Matariki activities on Wednesday afternoons. Different age groups have been mixed together and have undertaken Māori arts and craft activities with different teachers. It has been lovely seeing our older children undertake a nurturing and leadership role with our younger tamariki.



Friends of Arthur Miller School

The FOAMS group held two very successful discos for students on Thursday 27 June. Thank you to all for your assistance and support.



Property

Over the holiday period we will have re carpeting of Rooms 11 and 12 undertaken, along with new vinyl laid in a senior toilet area. The hall and one wall of Room 9 will also be freshened up with new autex wall covering being installed.

Staffing

With the continued roll growth at Arthur Miller we have appointed Mrs Rachael Smith to take on a teaching role with us for the remainder of 2019. Rachael will initially be team teaching with Lisa Sinden in Room 13, before beginning a new class with our older reception class students, in the shared space of the junior block. Starting this additional class will allow new children to transition into a reception class with much smaller numbers. We extend a warm welcome to Rachael as she begins her new role.

Term Dates

2019

Term 2: Monday 29 April – Friday 5 July (10 weeks, including Queen's Birthday)

Term 3: Monday 22 July – Friday 27 September (10 weeks)

Term 4: Monday 14 October – Thursday 19 December (10 weeks including Anniversary/Labour weekend)

2020

Term 1: Monday 3 February – Thursday 9 April (10 weeks, including Waitangi Day)

Term 2: Tuesday 28 April – Friday 3 July (10 weeks, including Queen's Birthday)

Coming Events

Date	Event
Friday 5 July	End of Term 3pm
Monday 22 July	Term 3 Commences 8.55am
Friday 2 August	FOAMS Quiz Night
Tuesday 6 August	BOT Meeting 7pm Staffroom
Friday 9 August	Spooner Shield Sports Day for Year 5 & 6
Monday 12 August	FOAMS Meeting 6.30pm Staffroom

Please contact us if you have any concerns or enquiries.

Arohanui,

Greig Mercer
Principal

Look Sharp Store



We have the opportunity for Arthur Miller School to be part of a School Partnership Programme with the Look Sharp Store in Hastings. Discounts are available to students and parents, just provide our school name and 'Mr Mercer'.

They have party supplies, costumes, wigs, decorations and party accessories.

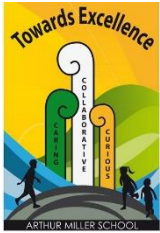
Find the store next to Kmart in Hastings.

Community Notices

Presbyterian Support East Coast. Half price children's book sale, 6-20 July, 47 Carlyle Street, Napier.

Screenies. Children's International Film Festival Aotearoa, 11-13 July 2019, Napier. Curated for kids 3-15 years. www.screenies.nz

Napier Operatic Society. Singin' in the Rain Jr. Tabard Theatre, July 12-19, 2019. Book at The Tabard Theatre costume hire or online at www.iticket.co.nz



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'Out and About' this week....



AMS Strikers in action on the turf on Saturday morning.



'Hawks' players, EJ Singler & Jared Kenny have been helping our basketball teams with skills sessions at lunchtimes.



Team Kowhai celebrated Matariki. They each bought along one vegetable and combined them all to make yummy soup.

