



OUR VISION

Growing Greatness through innovative, constantly evolving personalised learning...

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Upcoming Events

Year 9 and 10 Exams
Wednesday 28th September to
Wednesday 5th October

Friday 7th October
End of Term 3

Monday 24th October
Labour Day Holiday

Tuesday 25th October
Start of Term 4

Every Tuesday at 10:00 am
Tours of our school in action.
Please come to Reception for
a tour with our Principal
or Deputy Principal

Kia Ora,

We are drawing to the end of Term 3, somewhat later than in other years due to the Rugby World Cup. This event has certainly made an impact on New Zealand and on us as a school. It has uplifted us at the end of winter and given us something to become excited about. For many of us, in a culturally diverse school, it has reminded us of our national pride and given us a chance to good naturedly revive old rivalries.

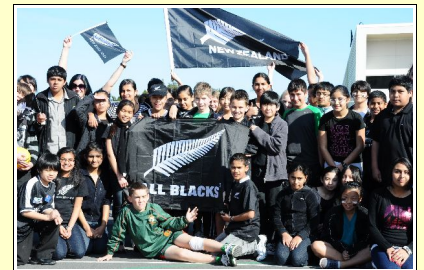
Our students have gone around our city to experience it as a visiting tourist might and learned much in the process, even experiencing the highs and lows of our public transport system. As a Principal it is a privilege for me to actively be involved in student learning and I really value my role as a learning advisor. The wonderful day out I had with my group in Devonport was a highlight of my term and another reminder of why I chose this career.

I believe that busy kids are happy kids and as always we have certainly been busy, whether it has been camp, the talent quest, bollywood dance, sports or our cultural festival, there has been a lot happening and as I walk around the school I certainly see happy kids!

Our recent academic focus for Years 9 and 10 has been on the exams but we also once again celebrate some outstanding achievements in the ICAS competitions and also in regional speech competitions. We are proud of our students and the strong reputation our school is building.

Enjoy the rest of the World Cup and we look forward to seeing everyone back refreshed after the break.

Joan Middlemiss
Principal



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2011 Cultural Festival

Thank you to our Family and Friends for an excellent Cultural Food Festival! Despite a chilly wind, the day was a big success with delicious food, entertainment and great community support. We are looking to move the day to the warmer month of March in 2012 and your support will be essential if we are to build on this year's success.

A huge thank you to all the parents, teachers and students who helped this year!



Can you help with DEEP in 2012?

Do you have a skill or interest to share with our students? Our DEEP programme gives students a chance to follow their interests and passions and learn new skills in an individualised learning programme. We are always looking for community members to be tutors to broaden our already exciting options. If you can be available for just over an hour on a day that suits you for a term or more and you would like to know more, please contact Mr Naidoo, Deputy Principal (phone 2777881)

Bollywood Dance Competition

Our Bollywood dancers turned on an amazing performance to place 2nd in the Auckland Intermediate Dance Contest, winning \$500 and a huge trophy. Well



done to all the dancers who worked hard to achieve a really polished and creative performance! Thanks too to Mrs Naidoo and Gemma Jade Naidoo for their support.

MHJC Talent Quest

Our recent talent quest was a big hit with exceptional talent on show from all the finalists. The judges presented awards to the top 3 entertainers, Maia Pahi (3rd) Shakira Du Pille (2nd) and Winner Saolin Naidoo.



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APPA Mandarin Speech Contest Winner



We are very proud of Year 7 student **Vivian Pai** who recently won the Eastern Zone Mandarin Speech Contest with her speech contrasting the Chinese education system with our own. Well done Vivian!

MHJC's Amazing Mathematicians!

Results from the ICAS Mathematics Competition:

High Distinction: Sahil Madan

Distinction: Winnie Zhang, Gurvez Chandok, Louise Kim, Asha Shashikumar, Andrew Wong, Jerry Yao, Oscar Chin, Anmol Sandhu

A further 16 students gained Credit in the test.

Results from the Australian Mathematics Competition:

Distinction: Jerry Yao, Jaemin Han, Sahil Madan, Jaeho Lee, Daisy Zhu, Sadie Kim

A further 13 students gained Credit in the test.

Well done everyone!

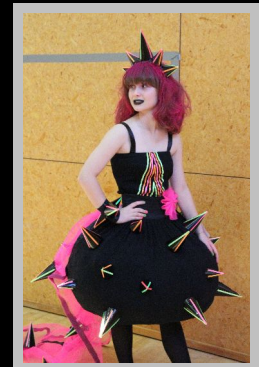
Auckland Spanish Speaking Competition



Congratulations to **Hanna Gomez**, who placed 2nd in the Auckland Spanish Speaking Competition competing against 20 other Spanish language learners

Wearable Arts

These are just some of the entries created by students in the DEEP Wearable Arts class. Students recently had the chance to show off their beautiful creations to the public at the Wow-wee event alongside senior students from BDSC.



Outstanding Sporting Achievers!

Te Kani Williams, is ranked 2nd in NZ in his age group in tennis and has been invited to Tennis New Zealand Masters Top 8 Finals tournament

Mitchell Lynch- Blossie represented NZ in Birmingham at the GKR Karate World Cup 2011



MHJC Students Learning while Serving their Community

Save the Long fin Eel Day

8C1 students organised a 'Save the Longfin Eel' day recently. Students hosted and taught all students from Mission Heights Primary throughout the course of the day, with help from WaiCare advocate Kate Loman-Smith, Paul the 'fish-man' and workers from Auckland Council's pollution response team. 8C1 organised for live eels and 'Velvet,' a 75 metre eel tapestry started by eel lady, Stephanie Jo Bowman to be displayed in the library.

Primary students also added a 'scale' to the Giant Kokopu fish sculpture, learned about storm water drains and participated in a colouring competition. Eel-themed cup cakes and drinks were also on sale during lunchtime.



Rongomai Readers.

Role modelling and reading go hand in hand when MHJC students go to Rongomai Primary School each week to assist the primary school



pupils with their reading programme.

The visits from our students have become an eagerly awaited part of the week.

Year 9 Drama

Year 9 Drama students have been working with Year 2 students at MHP to prepare a performance for their assembly.



Designing the 'new' playground and park in Murphy's Bush

Members of the Enviro group met with Auckland Council to help with their planning stage for the Murphy's Bush Park & walking reserve. Students gave input into the type of equipment they would prefer to see in the playground area, the layout of the walkways including sign posts, and unique and challenging paths. The Council will now draft their ideas into a plan and bring it back in Term four.

Eventually the students hope their plans will become reality!



Designing Picture Books for MHP



Students in 9W2 are working with Year 2 students as research before they create their own digital story book about their trip to Auckland City