



**Murrays Bay**  
INTERMEDIATE

# 2024 NEWSLETTER

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Ko ngā pae tawhiti, whaia kia tata. Ko ngā pae tata whakamaua kia tina.  
*The potential for tomorrow depends on what you do today.*

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Kia Ora Parent(s)/ Caregiver(s)

### Welcome back to Term 2.

I hope the holidays were a time for each of you to connect, relax, and take time to engage in what brings you the most joy. In the holidays, I travelled to Canada and Alaska to attend the Ulead education conference and complete my third ultra-marathon. The conference was great, the Ultra-marathon was tough and Alaska was incredible. Would you believe I ran into an MBIS family while I was there!



We would like to extend a warm welcome to Emily Ko, our new ESOL teacher who started with us this term. Emily joins our other ESOL teacher Gloria Yeom in supporting students. We also welcome Steph Whitham as our second Wellbeing Coach who will be with us on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Students are in the process of updating their goals on Hero. Your support is invaluable in helping our students thrive. As our students start a new term, we all play a role in helping them define what their success will look like. Often part of success is experiencing failure. We need our kids not to shy away from hard things or big goals because they are afraid of failing.

Failure is not a roadblock; it's a stepping stone on the path to growth and achievement. It teaches us resilience, perseverance, and the value of perseverance in the face of adversity. It's through our failures that we learn, adapt, and ultimately, succeed.

We encourage students to embrace failure as a natural part of the learning process. Don't be discouraged by setbacks; instead, see them as opportunities for growth and self-improvement. Remember that every mistake is a lesson in disguise, and with determination and perseverance, you can overcome any obstacle.

We aim to create a supportive learning environment where students feel safe to take risks and make mistakes and encourage a growth mindset that celebrates effort and progress over perfection.

Talk to your children about embracing failure as a learning opportunity rather than a source of shame or disappointment. Remind them that setbacks are temporary and that they have the power to bounce back stronger than ever.

My Ultramarathon was an opportunity for me to embrace failure personally. I had my first DNF (Did Not Finish) because I didn't make the time cut-off of this incredibly tough mountain run. I am not embarrassed about this; I am proud of what I achieved, and I will be sharing my learning and experience with the students at an assembly in the future.

Here's to a term filled with growth, learning, and the courage to embrace failure as a stepping stone to greatness!

Ngā mihi nui, *Melinda Hes* - Principal / Tumuaki

## Notification of Absences

All notifications regarding absences must be done via **HERO** or sent directly to **[absentees@mbi.school.nz](mailto:absentees@mbi.school.nz)** as early as possible. Direct emails sent to staff can be overlooked in the mornings due to the morning school routine. We appreciate your assistance with this.

## MOE Learning Community Hub



**LEARNING COMMUNITY HUB**  
新西兰教育系列专题研讨会

周日 10.30am-12.30pm

日期	内容
5月12日	新西兰教育体系概览
5月19日	新西兰课程标准详述
5月26日	国家教育证书 (NCEA) 详解一
6月2日	校园安全主题讲座
6月9日	探索新西兰双文化政策架构
8月4日	解读学校评估报告, 如何与老师在家长会中高效的交流
8月11日	新西兰学校教育体系解析
8月18日	英语学习及建立文化认同感及归属感
8月25日	国家教育证书 (NCEA) 详解二 - IB及剑桥考评体系
9月1日	跨文化养育

Office.ocnz@gmail.com We Meet新西兰  
Open and Connect NZ WeMeetNZ

The Ministry of Education together with Open and Connect NZ invite all Chinese families and communities to participate in the Learning Community Hub, a special series of seminars on "New Zealand Education". Specifically tailored for Chinese families and communities, the sessions aim to provide essential insights into navigating New Zealand's educational system. We extend a warm welcome to all Chinese families to join us for these informative seminars, as they offer valuable knowledge that can significantly benefit our children's educational experiences. We look forward to your attendance and active participation in these engaging sessions.

欢迎参加由新西兰教育部和OCNZ联合主办的“新西兰教育”专题研讨会系列活动。这些研讨会为华人家庭和社区设计,旨在为了帮助大家了解新西兰的教育体系。我们都会邀请来自新西兰教育部的嘉宾参与,并分享来自教育部的官方信息。我们真诚邀请所有华人家庭参与,期待帮助您的孩子在新西兰获得更好的教育体验。

Please see further information [Learning Community Hub](#)

## AT Update Student Fees



**Auckland  
Transport**



### A few reminders:

Public transport fare changed for under 25s as of 1 May 2024.

Please place the student's name on the AT Hop Card.

## Lifechanger - Term 2 Health Programme



**MBIS** is thrilled to incorporate the LifeChanger Programme in Term 2. LifeChanger is a preventative mental health and wellbeing non-profit that empowers young people with the courage to thrive.

LifeChanger believes that many of the confronting challenges and alarming statistics that face today's youth are preventable through pre-emptive, early intervention programs that build self esteem, self awareness, positive self identity and resilience. LifeChanger's evidence based program, expert facilitation and trained community mentors develop young people with the emotional and social skills to live empowered, resilient, thriving lives. Have a look at the resource - [NZ Family Intermediate Handbook](#)



**PREVENTATIVE YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS BUILDING SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL AND RESILIENCE SKILLS, AND COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

## PINK SHIRT DAY - 17 May



*Speak UP*  
**STAND TOGETHER  
STOP BULLYING**

KŌRERO MAI, KŌRERO ATU, MAURI TŪ, MAURI ORA

**FRIDAY 17 MAY 2024**

JOIN THE MOVEMENT:  
[WWW.PINKSHIRTDAY.ORG.NZ](http://WWW.PINKSHIRTDAY.ORG.NZ)  
#PINKSHIRTDAYNZ

**SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY BY TAKING  
PART IN PINK SHIRT DAY!**

This is a Mental Health Foundation initiative and MBIS will be collecting Gold Coin donations to support the foundation's amazing work.

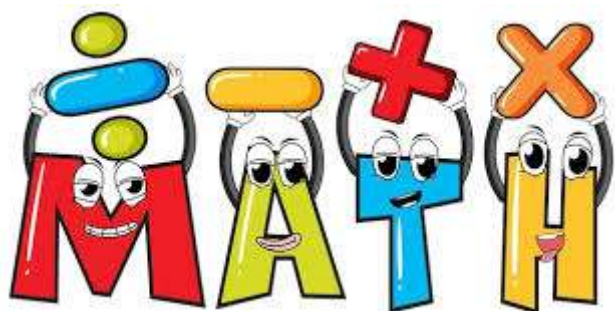
This is a non-uniform day and we encourage students to wear pink to stand up to advocate for no bullying and to be upstanders to take action.

All money raised will go to The Mental Health Foundation.  
Thank you for your support!!



## Stretch Your Brain

With Mr Tabuzo (Room 17)



Welcome back to the **Stretch Your Brain Challenge!**

**This week's challenge:**

What symbol in math can you use between 4 and 6 to make a number that's more than 4 but less than 6?

Enter the answer using this [link](#). Watch MBITV on Friday to check if you win the prize!

## On Another Note

With the Music Department



Alex Su

Alex Su and Justin Zhang recently competed in the North Shore Performing Arts Piano Competition in the holidays, and both received **Very Highly Commended** certificates. Well done for all your hard work and amazing performances.



Justin Zhang



**Seussical JR** auditions went exceptionally well with so much talent. We will be announcing the cast early next week.

**If your child is interested in being in the show as an ensemble/chorus member**, they're welcome to sign up with no need to audition. They can locate the sign up form on their **HERO** feed if they search Seussical.

**Music and Arts Photos are on Tuesday 7th of May.** You can see which groups this includes and what they need to wear / bring [HERE](#).

## Support for our Room 4 Winter Warmer

### Unused yarn, wool, knitting & crochet needles

A number of students and I may be able to knit and or crochet blankets for the elderly and for animal shelters. Considering the cold is on the way, this could really bring some much needed comfort to both.

Please could I appeal to our wonderful mātua tupuna and tīpuna (parents and grandparents) for any unused yarn, knitting needles and crochet hooks, to please be left at the front office or handed over to Room 4 students or teacher.

Your donations of unused items will be much appreciated! Ngā mihi, Tracy Hillier Room 4



## Travelwise Challenge - Week 1

This past week was the first week of the Travelwise Four Week Walk To School Challenge. Many students have been walking, biking, and scooting to school to earn points for their class. For those students that live too far away to walk or bike, parents can drop them off at Rangitoto College, Lyons Ave, or Mairangi Bay Village so they can walk the rest of the way. This way they can still earn points. Walking, biking and scooting to school helps reduce congestion in front of the school and provides students with opportunities to be active. Students can also walk with friends - what a great way to start the day! Thank you for supporting students with this challenge. And as always, prizes are up for grabs!



## Brett Harvey Presentation - Rangitoto College

**Tāima Kōrero, Time 2 Talk (Mitigating the harmful effects of pornography).**

Rangitoto College will host Brett Harvey from Tāima Kōrero to present to our parent community on Tuesday 7th May in the school's auditorium.



The prevalence of pornography is spreading rapidly throughout our society, and its long-term effects are yet to be fully understood. However, by equipping parents and young people with effective strategies to work together, we can look to reduce the harmful impact of pornography on young people. Brett will deliver engaging, honest and sensible information on how to talk about pornography with your teenager, and why these conversations need to happen.

Backed by the latest statistics and research, this parent presentation draws on Brett's first-hand knowledge of the negative effects of pornography and provides attendees with an eye-opening insight into the multi-billion dollar industry that is targeting our children. Brett aims to have parents leave feeling well-informed and equipped to have these difficult yet essential conversations with their children.

We encourage all parents to attend this session to support their teenager in safely navigating the digital landscape of online pornography.

Tickets are free to the event and can be secured through [this link](#). Ticketing allows us to manage numbers within the auditorium.



**Date** - Tuesday 7th May    **Time** - 7:00 - 8:00pm.

**Where** - Rangitoto College Auditorium, entry next to reception



# Term 2 Planner

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>WEEK one</b>	(29 April) <b>FIRST DAY OF TERM 2</b>	(30 April) Y8 Assembly 1:30 (pm) - 2:30 (pm)	(1 May)	(2 May)	(3 May) EOTC BLC Rms 5 & 6  Y7 Assembly 1:30 (pm)- 2:30 (pm)
<b>WEEK two</b>	(6 May) EOTC BLC Rms 7 & 8  HPV Vax 1 - Y8	(7 May) Music Photos  EOTC BLC Rms 13 & 14  North Harbour Y7 Netball Begins	(8 May) North Harbour Squash Zone Day	(9 May) Japan Trip Meeting 7(pm) - 8(pm)  North Harbour Y8 Netball Begins	(10 May) EOTC BLC Rms 16 & 17  Rangitoto Y7 Museum Trip
<b>WEEK three</b>	(13 May) EOTC BLC Rms 11 & 12	(14 May) <b>CAMP TOTARA SPRINGS (KAWAU MINISCHOOL)</b>  EOTC BLC Rms 36 & 39  North Harbour Y7 Boys Football	(15 May) <b>CAMP TOTARA SPRINGS (KAWAU MINISCHOOL)</b>	(16 May) <b>CAMP TOTARA SPRINGS (KAWAU MINISCHOOL)</b>  North Harbour Y8 Boys Football  <b>Board Meeting 7pm to 9pm</b>	(17 May) <b>CAMP TOTARA SPRINGS (KAWAU MINISCHOOL)</b>  EOTC BLC Rms 33  North Harbour Football Save Day  <b>Pink Shirt Day</b>
<b>WEEK four</b>	(20 May) EOTC BLC Rms 40 & 41	(21 May) EOTC BLC Rms 15 & 31  HPV Vax - catch up  Y7 Assembly 1:30 (pm)- 2:30 (pm)	(22 May)	(23 May)	(24 May) EOTC BLC Rm 9 & 10  <b>MBIS Cross-Country</b>  Y8 Assembly 1:30 (pm) - 2:30 (pm)
<b>WEEK five</b>	(27 May) North Harbour Y7 Girls Football	(28 May) North Harbour Y8 Girls Football	(29 May) North Harbour Girls Football Save Day  Science Roadshow	(30 May) North Harbour Girls Rugby  Science Roadshow	(31 May) Science Roadshow



# Term 2 Planner CONTINUED

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>WEEK six</b>	(3 June) Public Holiday: KING'S BIRTHDAY	(4 June) <b>TEACHER ONLY DAY</b>	(5 June) Y8 Assembly 1:30 (pm) - 2:30 (pm) North Harbour Boys Rugby	(6 June)	(7 June) Y7 Assembly 1:30 (pm) - 2:30 (pm)
<b>WEEK seven</b>	(10 June) Des Hunt Visit	(11 June) Des Hunt Visit	(12 June)	(13 June) North Harbour Water Polo	(14 June) Des Hunt Visit
<b>WEEK eight</b>	(17 June)	(18 June) Kapa Haka Workshop With Bernard Mangahakia Y7 & Y8 Performance Assembly With Bernard Mangahakia	(19 June) North Harbour Hockey Zone Day Orchestra, Handbells and Notables Concert 7(pm) - 8(pm)	(20 June) North Harbour Hockey Zone Save Day <b>Board Meeting 7pm to 9pm</b>	(21 June)
<b>WEEK nine</b>	(24 June)	(25 June)	(26 June)	(27 June) Concert/ Jazz Concert 7(pm) - 8(pm) North Harbour Table Tennis	(28 June) <b>Public Holiday: MATARIKI</b>
<b>WEEK ten</b>	(1 July)	(2 July)	(3 July) Beginner Band Concert 7(pm) - 8(pm)	(4 July)	(5 July) <b>LAST DAY OF TERM TWO (3pm close)</b>



# Community Notices

## English With Allie



Online After School Group Classes for Students:

### Course 1: Academic Written Language & Skills (For Fluent & Near Fluent Speakers)

- ~ Classes: Years 5&6, 7&8, 9&10
- ~ Online group lessons (maximum of 6 students)
- ~ 90-minute lessons

### Course 2: Academic English Language (ESOL) (Not Yet Fluent Speakers)

- ~ ESOL classes: Years 5/6/7 Years 7/8/9
  - ~ Online group lessons (maximum of 4 students in ESOL classes)
  - ~ 60-minute lessons
- (Note: ESOL students are required to attend two lessons a week)

## \*\* Enrolling now for Term 2\*\*

Term 2 Course Dates: 6 May to 5 July 2024 (9 weeks)

**\*Limited Spaces\***



### Allie Rankine:

- Qualified & Registered New Zealand Teacher
- Over 35 years of experience.

For more information please contact me at:  
[EnglishWithAllie.teacher@gmail.com](mailto:EnglishWithAllie.teacher@gmail.com)

# HOST FAMILIES WANTED

## OPEN POSITION

- A WARM AND FRIENDLY FAMILY
- AN ENGLISH SPEAKING FAMILY
- SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION SUPPORT
- NEAR MURRAY'S BAY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

## HOMESTAY 2024

If you are interested, please speak directly with Lucy from EJ Global Limited via [ejglobal111@gmail.com](mailto:ejglobal111@gmail.com)

We have an Education Agent who is looking to find suitable homestay families for students in July and August 2024. The students are from China and will be attending Murrays Bay Intermediate School as short term students. They are within the age range of 11-14 years.

Register Now

A financial contribution will be supported by EJ Global Limited

mac CALL FOR ENTRIES

# YOUTH exhibition

ENTRIES OPEN TO AGES 12-29

CALL FOR ENTRY OPEN NOW! SCAN QR TO ENTER

OPENING & MARKET DAY 25TH MAY 12-4PM

25TH MAY - 16TH JUNE

20 HASTINGS ROAD, MAIRANGI BAY

[WWW.MAIRANGIARTS.CO.NZ](http://WWW.MAIRANGIARTS.CO.NZ)

mac ARTISTS WANTED!

# MAKERS Market

ENTRIES OPEN TO AGES 12-29

CALL FOR ENTRY OPEN NOW! SCAN QR TO ENTER

MARKET DAY 25TH MAY 12-4PM

20 HASTINGS ROAD, MAIRANGI BAY

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