

## Calendar / Maramataka

### Term Three

- 06 Aug Whole School Assembly
- 07 Aug Friday Snow Sport Option (3)
- 12 Aug Whanau Workshops
- 12 Aug Christchurch Cross Country
- 14 Aug Friday Snow Sport Option (4)
- 19 Aug ICAS Science Exam
- 21 Aug Teacher Only Day**
- 25 Aug ICAS Digital Technologies
- 25 Aug Three Way Conferences
- 26 Aug ICAS English
- 26 Aug MPS Speeches
- 26 Aug Three Way Conferences
- 27 Aug Whole School Assembly
- 28 Aug Friday Snow Sport Option (5)
- 01 Sep ICAS Mathematics Exam
- 02 Sep ICAS Spelling Bee Exam
- 02 Sep Rotary Speech Competition
- 04 Sep Friday Snow Sport Option (6)
- 08 Sep Opuke Kahui Ako Student Hui
- 09 Sep BoT Meeting
- 17 Sep Whole School Assembly
- 25 Sep Last Day Term Three

### Term Four

- 12 Oct First Day Term Four
- 13 Oct School Photos
- 15 Oct Mid Canterbury Swimming
- 19 Oct Mid Canterbury Triathlon
- 26 Oct Labour Day Holiday
- 28 Oct Methven Area Athletics Day
- 12 Nov Teacher Only Day**
- 13 Nov Canterbury Anniversary Holiday
- 25 Nov Pegasus Triathlon
- 02 Dec Mid Canterbury Athletics
- 15 Dec Last Day Term Four

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*Making Pathways to the Stars*

## Principal's Comment / Tumuaki Tākupu

Tēnā koutou katoa,

What are your aspirations and expectations for your child while at MPS?

The Methven Primary School BoT, Staff and Students have been reviewing our School Vision throughout 2019 - 2020. This has allowed us to clearly define our strengths as a school and identify what makes us unique. Our Vision shares the aspirations we have for teaching and learning at MPS, and how we will support our learners to achieve success now and in the future.



Communication, Hauora, Innovation, Collaboration and Self-Regulation (CHICS learner qualities) have recently become integral to our Vision and our learning programmes as they ensure important knowledge, skills and attitudes are taught across the curriculum areas. Our learner qualities are transferable to homelife and other learning environments.

We are keen for our whānau to understand the different aspects that are now represented on our new Vision and provide us with feedback. Please spend some time with your tamariki, and ask them some questions about the Vision before you respond to this survey.

## [School Vision Survey Link](#)

There will be opportunity to discuss our new Vision further during Whānau Workshops next week and to join further focus group discussions to support incorporating local content into our curriculum.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Ngā mihi

Sue Furndorfler

Acting Principal

## Whanau Workshops - Wednesday 12th August

	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
2:30 pm - 3:00 pm	<b>Hero</b> (Goal Setting & Pathways)	<b>Microsoft OneNote</b> (How students use OneNote across Year 3-6)	<b>Junior Support for Reading at Home</b> (Year 0-3)
3:00 pm - 3:30 pm	<b>MPS Vision</b> (School direction & discussion)	<b>Microsoft Teams</b> (How Teams supports us across Year 3-6)	<b>Junior Learning Games for Home</b> (Year 0-3)
Room	Staffroom	Library	Mahuri Hub

During our Home Learning over the COVID-19 lockdown, we had requests from families for support in helping their child with learning. We have put aside an afternoon next week and invite you to come to our Whanau Workshops, which will be led by our school leaders. They will be an opportunity for you to have information clarified and ask questions around areas that are a current focus for us. You do not need to book for these Workshops, please just come along to school next Wednesday. All welcome.

## Happy Birthday / Ra Whanau

Happy Birthday from MPS to the following students:

Brock L	Opuke C	06 August
Georgie B	Mahuri K	07 August
Max M	Piwakawaka T	10 August
Ruby B	Mahuri K	11 August
Ace D	Mahuri K	11 August
Max M	Opuke M	13 August
Owen H	Piwakawaka D	14 August
Matthew H	Opuke O	15 August
Cassandra M	Opuke C	18 August



STAR focus this Term:

# Accepting



STAR focus this Week:

## Help others and make the most of differences

## PB4L Accepting Value

We encourage and praise all students to look out for others and to welcome others into games. Part of accepting is also to teach students how to listen to others and show interest in them. Our PB4L system focuses on Teachers and Stellar Stars (student leaders) to reward students showing this value in the playground and classroom. We are looking forward to sharing examples of how students have been accepting at assembly on Thursday afternoon.

## Reporting and 3 Way Conferences:

### Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th August

Reporting to Whanau will look different this year at Methven Primary School as we move into sharing progress and achievement on our app based Student Management System, Hero. Staff are currently firming up goals for our core learning areas and gathering data and evidence to share in Week 6. This reporting would normally take place mid-year, but was delayed due to Covid. We invite you to a 3 Way Conference on 25th or 26th August to discuss your child and their learning. We anticipate that the online reporting information will be available for parents to look at by Friday 20th August, and discussion will take place at conferences around this information. Bookings are now open.

[www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)

Booking Code: xZwyf

## Whole School Snowsports Day

Unfortunately we are unable to schedule a full school ski day for children and families at Mount Hutt this year. Due to Covid-19 and restrictions on non-New Zealand passport-holders or residents, Mt Hutt is unable to provide us with instructors for lessons and are fully booked for the remainder of the season. We are sorry we cannot offer this optional experience this year as a school, but encourage you to head up there during the weekends for some fun in the snow.

## Scooters

A reminder to our families that students need to be responsible for their own scooters. We have now a designated parking area near the Scooter Track. Scooters are to be stored there during the day and are to be taken home or put inside by students at the end of the day.

## School Lunches & Meals

We would love some extra donations for our freezer. Please send any lunch or meal items that could be distributed to local families that have a need for some extra support.





## Job Vacancy Office Administrator

Part time admin positions that fit around school hours are hard to find, so don't miss out on this opportunity!

If you are a customer service superstar with a positive can-do attitude, have excellent Microsoft computer skills with great attention to detail, and strong multi-tasking skills we would love to hear from you.

**For more information, please visit:**  
[www.methven.school.nz/vacancies](http://www.methven.school.nz/vacancies)

### ICAS Assessments (Year 4 - 6 Students)

A reminder that the ICAS Assessments 2020 Permission Form must be returned to the school office no later than 3pm Thursday 6th August.

### Cross Country

We have recently seen much success at the Mid Canterbury Cross Country Zones event. Congratulations to all our students who represented Methven Primary admirably and best wishes to the six students, Elliot, Finn, Jasmine and Connor, Grace and Annalise who are now going through to Christchurch to represent our Zone.



### Board of Trustees Update

Methven Primary School uses SchoolDocs to manage our school's policies and procedures online.

A Policies & Procedures page can be found under the Parent Zone of our website, and SchoolDocs can also be accessed directly using the below link:

<http://methven.schooldocs.co.nz>

The school works on a subscription basis with SchoolDocs to maintain, update, and review our policies. SchoolDocs provides us with a comprehensive core set of policies which have been well researched and follow the Ministry of Education National Administration Guidelines. The policies and procedures are tailored to our school, and the school supplies specific information such as our charter, and procedures for behaviour management, reporting to parents, etc.

SchoolDocs updates, modifies, or creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools, and regular reviewing from the SchoolDocs team.

Our board of trustees has the opportunity to view changes/additions and comment on them before they are implemented.

We will advise you via our School Newsletter and Hero app when policies are up for review and how you can take part in the review.

<b>Current Review:</b>	Learning Support <a href="https://methven.schooldocs.co.nz/10531.htm">https://methven.schooldocs.co.nz/10531.htm</a>
<b>Deadline:</b>	Friday 25th September 2020

#### Instructions for Parents

1. Visit <http://methven.schooldocs.co.nz>  
Username: Methven. Password: 3028500
2. Click on the Green Current Review Button and click on the Learning Support policy link (you can also click on the link in the above table)
3. Click on the Red Policy Review icon at the top right-hand corner of the page.
4. Reviewer type: Parent/Caregiver
5. Enter your name (optional) and Login.
6. Submit your ratings and comments.

The school office can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form if you prefer.

### Book Club Coordinator

A big thank you to Lucy Smith for offering her services to take over the Scholastic Book Club coordinator role from Erin Redfern.

Current  
Review

UNDER REVIEW  
Term 3, 2020

## Be Active Afternoon

Piwakawaka have been enjoying the ignition part of their inquiry. Thank you for the amazing sporting experts that joined us for our Thursday afternoon last week.



## Weekly Reminders / Wihiri Niuhi

### Lost Property

- Name all clothes, lunch boxes and drink bottles so that items can be returned to your child.
- Unnamed/unreadable items are placed in lost property.
- Named items are communicated via Daily Notices.
- All unclaimed items are washed and donated to the Red Cross at the end of each term.

### School Bank Account

- 02-0868-0013797-000 (BNZ, Methven Branch)

### Absences

- If your child is absent please ring the office (as soon as possible) leaving a message clearly stating:
  - Name of child & teacher (or classroom)
  - Why they are absent for the day
  - What bus run they are on (if applicable)
- If your child is late to school, please have them visit the office before heading to their classroom.
- If your child leaves school during the day (i.e. doctor appointment, leaving early) please have them visit the office when they leave/arrive.

### Student Messages / Change to after school plans

- Please phone or email the office before 2.30pm.
- Do not email or text the teaching staff.

### Hero (School App)

- Hero can be accessed via an Apple & Android app and via the internet: <https://our.linc-ed.com>.
- Visit the Hero page on our school website for help: <https://www.methven.school.nz/parent-zone/hero/>

### Caregiver & Emergency Contact Details

- Please let the office know as soon as possible of any change to a phone number, address or email.

### Peanut Allergy

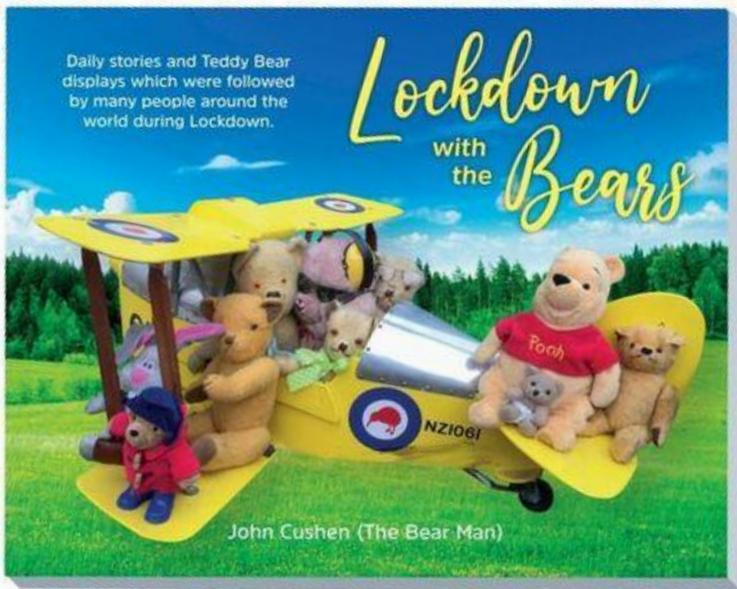
- Mahuri (Year 1 & 2) students can not bring raw peanuts, peanut butter spreads, biscuits, slices, scroggin mixes or museli bars with peanuts, or other food items that contain peanuts to provide a safe environment for a student with a Peanut Allergy.

### Aqua Sushi & MHC Canteen lunch deliveries

- Mt Hutt College Canteen - Tuesday Lunch Delivery  
Order by 9am the Monday before delivery
- Aqua Japanese Restaurant - Thursday Sushi Delivery  
Order by 9am Tuesday before delivery

### MPS Uniform Buy/Sell Facebook Page

- [Methven Primary School Uniform Buy/Sell](#)



Available for purchase: [www.lockdownwiththebears.co.nz](http://www.lockdownwiththebears.co.nz)  
 Copy of book available at school office for your viewing

### Council Plastic Recycling Changes

- Recycling changes on 1<sup>st</sup> August
- Only plastics with 1,2,5 in triangle
- No lids, flat or screw on
- No soft plastic
- No laminated paper
- No food
- Recycling must be clean.



Full list of what can and can't go in each bin" has been updated:

<https://www.ashburtondc.govt.nz/our-services/rubbish-and-recycling>



If you're a grandparent raising grandchildren, you're not alone. We can help you.

We are a charitable trust supporting grandparents and whanau kin carers who have children in their full time care. Membership and our services are free.

**Meeting 7pm every last Thursday of each month**

**American clubrooms( beside camp ground)**

**Maronan Road, Tinwald**

Bring a plate, share stories and gather support from others in our situation.

Karen Kilgour  
 Support Group Coordinator Ashburton  
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Phone: 027 741 2039 or 308 9931

**McDONALD'S YOUTH DUATHLON 2020**



**Sunday 20 September 2020**

[www.mcdonaldsduathlon.co.nz](http://www.mcdonaldsduathlon.co.nz)

This run and cycle event is held at South Hagley Park for individuals aged 7 to 15 years, with the emphasis more on participation than competition.

\$20.00 pp: Certificates, Medals, Gift Packs & Prizes

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**31 October 2020**

<b>5km</b> Off-road Run/Walk	<b>10km</b> Off-road Run	<b>21km</b> 1/2 Marathon	<b>42km</b> Marathon	<b>28km/21km</b> Bike/Run Duathlon
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Enter at [enduranzevents.co.nz](http://enduranzevents.co.nz)

**SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2020**

12km & 24km Trail Run  
 12km & 24km Mountain Bike

Solo & Family registrations available

Come and play on a slice of Canterbury's history!  
**ENTRIES OPEN NOW**  
[www.railtrailrampage.com](http://www.railtrailrampage.com)