

# MASTERTON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL – E.O.T.C. DAYS

## THURSDAY MARCH 19th & FRIDAY MARCH 20th Week 7



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Every year Masterton Intermediate School offers two days of Education Outside the Classroom. The idea of these two days is to provide students with opportunities outside of the classroom; to grow in confidence and overcome challenges. The school's ADMIRE values should be seen throughout the two days. Students should make a careful decision about the E.O.T.C. activities they select. What are their strengths? What are their weaknesses? What is their fitness level? What will they get the most out of?

In order to provide a programme of high quality opportunities in Education Outside The Classroom, we are requesting donations in order to cover the costs of each of the activities. The donation amounts per student are listed with each activity and are a guide until group numbers are confirmed once all student selections are in. We are hoping that these donations will enable MIS to continue to offer the two day EOTC programmes in 2021 and beyond. We greatly appreciate support from our families with this request.

On **Monday 24th February** the selection form will be sent out digitally and completed as a Google Form. We will try and make sure that students get their first choice, but in some cases this can not happen and students will be placed in their second, third, .... and so on choice. **Please make sure that all six choices are completed.** To improve the chances of your child being placed in their first choice it would be advantageous to complete the Selection Google Form as soon as possible. If you have any issues with the Google form please email me,

Thank you for your cooperation,

Morgan Bunny (Teacher in charge of E.O.T.C.)

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### MIS EOTC Activity details for 2020:

Ms Dreadon & Miss Warren	<b><i>Awesome, challenging &amp; fun adventures</i></b>	Explore and challenge yourself to walk the Remutaka Rail Trail just like the first settlers when they discovered the Wairarapa. Then spend a day at the Masterton Pool with all activities including the Aqua Run, the slide and the outdoors pool. Have a barbeque at the pool and explore QE2 park and Henley lake. Lots of fun, challenges and laughs.	\$25
Ms Stewart & Mrs Dew	<b><i>Camp MIS</i></b>	Camp MIS will include a range of activities such as grass skis, millennium reserve walk, pools, chocolate smores and fun camp games. This does not include an overnight stay... It is just two days at school doing what we can around the school and will include a trip to the pools.	\$10
Whaea Pania	<b><i>Fort Night - Camping excursion</i></b>	Students will participate in an overnight stay over in the Gum trees area at MIS. Students will cover skills such as: fire building/fire safety, cooking food on the fire, building a community of forts, outside toileting, how to use water wisely, food foraging, water purifying etc. Students will be utilizing a bartering system where students are supplied with a ration of food. Hunting and gathering etc. Day 2 will consist of a lesser amount of dark ages activities and they will be going to the pools to have canoe polo.	\$30
Mr Mann	<b><i>Geocaching</i></b>	Geocaching around Wairarapa ( Need at approx 3 parent volunteers for transport) First, and primarily, it is huge fun but you also get all these other benefits:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- You get to go places you wouldn't normally.</li> <li>- You learn to look carefully at things and notice stuff you wouldn't normally.</li> <li>- It is great exercise, and encourages you to go a little further walking.</li> <li>- You find parts of your own town/city that you would otherwise have walked right past.</li> <li>- You find yourself pushing yourself physically or mentally to find different caches.</li> <li>- You find out LOTS of information about stuff.</li> </ul>	\$10 plus you need a smartphone with data
Mrs Bunny	<b><i>Hidden Gems</i></b>	<b>Thursday:</b> We will head to Patuna Farm to Visit 'Wairarapa's spectacular limestone chasm. A stunning walk through the bush, chasm and Ruakokoputuna river. See the beauty of this native bush and limestone gorge. Experience the fossils, ferns, stalactites, waterfall, eels, wildlife and native birds'. <b>Friday:</b> We will venture out of Masterton and take a trip to visit the mysterious Hidden Lakes. We will explore the area taking time to appreciate the surroundings and historical background.	\$40

Mr Botha	<b>Holdsworth Camp</b>	Holdsworth area and Tararua Forest Park overnight trip. Activities will include team building, bush safety and educational activities. Overnighter staying at Holdsworth Lodge and camping grounds.	\$47
Mrs Campbell & Ms Woodward	<b>MIS Amazing Race</b>	MIS Amazing Race-scavenger hunt and race around town in small groups of 3 or 4. PE gear is needed.	\$5.00
Mrs Hamilton	<b>8 MIS Madcap adventurers</b>	Day 1 - We will walk to the town pool for a swim before a picnic lunch at the park. After lunch we will visit the Wool Shed then play mini golf before walking back to school.  Day 2 - We will head out to Pukaha, Mount Bruce where we will complete a scavenger hunt and feed the eels.	\$25-\$30 TBC
Mr O'Farrell	<b>MIS Survivor</b>	<b>MIS Survivor</b> Are you after a real camp experience? Hours of trekking through real kiwi bush and tracks, stream crossings, building your own shelter to sleep in or simply sleeping under the stars. Then MIS Survivor is for you. We have a 2 day, 1 night camp at Pigeon Bush Reserve in Southern Wairarapa. This camp is for serious trampers who aren't afraid to rough it for a couple of days.	\$30 Plus food.
Mrs Stevens	<b>Mountain Bike Exploration</b>	<b>EOTC - Mountain Bike Exploration</b> Are you wanting to experience, using your bicycle, the fantastic trails at Rivenrock and the Remutaka Bike Trail? Well this is the EOTC for you. We are going to gain skills at Rivenrock to ride the trails available to us there then use those skills gained at the Rimutaka Cycle Trail. Thursday: Cycling at Rivenrock Friday: Remutaka Cycle Trail from Wellington to Featherston Please be aware that you need a mountain bike, helmet, drink bottle and a packed lunch.	\$50
Mr Veale	<b>Paua Rangers</b>	<b>Thursday:</b> Learn some life hacks about diving, types of equipment, meet a fisheries officer, and cook seafood. In the afternoon we are going to the pool (Wairarapa College/Solway College). <b>Friday:</b> Head to the best destination on the coast and dive the coast. <b>Parent help is greatly appreciated/needed.</b>	\$40

Mrs Malcolm & Miss McGregor	<b>Stargazing</b>	<b>Thursday:</b> Spend the day learning about constellations and their stories. In the evening Becky from <i>Under The Stars</i> will bring her telescopes & binoculars so that we can see what is illuminating above us. Then spend the night in tents at school under those very stars. <b>Friday:</b> More space activities of the solar system, solar glasses and delve into the dark sky society.	\$50
Mr Rick	<b>Surfcasting (Fishing) Lake Ferry</b>	Surfcasting - Day 1 - Learning to tie knots. Setting up your rod. Learning to cast. Day 2 -Enjoy a day at the beach trying to catch some fish. Experience the excitement of feeling your line move as they nibble on the bait and have a tale to tell about the one that got away. (You will need a surfcasting rod, hooks, sinkers & bait)	\$25
Matua Kai	<b>Surf Lifesaving Riversdale Beach</b>	Surf Lifesaving Over the 2 days students will learn to: identify rips, use flotation devices for survival, identify channels and holes, complete mock rescues, use a body board, set up beach patrols, play life saving beach games etc (wetsuits are not compulsory)	\$40
Mrs Hayman & Mr Johnston	<b>Tararua Tramping Overnighter</b>	Setting out from Mt Holdsworth car park, we will walk the bush shrouded track, alongside the stunning Atiwhakatu River (2hrs+). Arriving at our accomodation at the Atiwhakatu Hut where we will enjoy a river swim, games, make damper, cook sausages and marshmallows over the fire. After breakfast the next day we will return to the Holdsworth Lodge, to join some MIS friends for lunch, swimming and fun. Students require a tramping pack & sleeping bag.	\$35
Mrs Jeffries	<b>Up, Down &amp; Around</b>	Day 1: Visit the Te Whiti Caves. Explore deep under the ground,see glow-worms and rock climb. Whizz across the valley and the creek on a very long and high flying fox. Day 2: Challenge yourself on the climbing wall in Masterton. Travel out to Peyton's bush and conquer the high ropes course. <i>Parent/caregiver cars greatly appreciated &amp; needed 2nd day</i>	\$40
Miss Sheldon & Mrs Van Tonder	<b>Wairarapa Awa Adventures</b>	Are you keen to go on some of the choice walks in the Tararua National Park? Do you love swimming in our amazing awa's? Do you enjoy team challenges and games? Then this is the EOTC for you! <u>Day One:</u> Design a logo and team t-shirts for the team challenges. Walk up Rocky Lookout and take part in skuxx teamwork activities. End the day with a 'manu' competition at Kaituna. <u>Day Two:</u> Explore the redwood forest at the end of Kiriwhakapapa Road. Take part in more choice challenges. Finish off with a swim at Double Bridges.	\$20