

Principal's message:

Tena ra tātou katoa nga akonga, nga kaiako, nga kaiāwhina me nga kaitiaki o te kura taka waenga nei o Whakaoriori. Tena koutou nga whanau, e tuatoko mai ēnei taonga ki runga i te kaupapa o tenei tau.

Ka nui nga mihi, ka nui te aroha ki a koutou katoa.

"E mātahi ana, e mataara!"



The 2019 school year for Masterton Intermediate has had a massive number of highlights in academics, culture, digital technology, music, service, sport and technicraft. At our Curriculum Awards assembly on Wednesday, December 11, more than 320 certificates were awarded to acknowledge our students who achieved at a very high level in at least one particular subject area.

In the end-of-year report that your child will have received on Thursday, December 12, there are 80 extra curricular activities that were available for students to participate in during terms three and four. Lily Tulloch talked about some of these during her Valediction speech.

The fact that so many opportunities exist is due to the willingness of our staff, some of our parents and other adults, as well as a number of college students, to give us their time, knowledge, aroha and tautoko. We acknowledge all of these groups of people who have contributed to what we have been able to offer at MIS in 2019. Thank you all.

To our Year 8 students, nga tuakana, keep building on what you have gained during your two years with us, particularly in your own development of the ADMIRE values. Following these six behaviours will guide you down a path towards happiness and success in the years ahead at college and well beyond.

I have only two words for our Year 7, teina cohort for next year and these are, "Get involved."

To those staff who are moving on, I sincerely thank you for your valuable contributions and we wish you well in your future endeavours.

Our MIS preparation for the 2020 school year has already begun.

There will be a focus on a number of initiatives, including:

- Discussions of 30 minutes between Year 7, any new Year 8 students and their whānau with class teachers on February 3 and 4 to allow them to get to know each other before school starts on Wednesday, February 5th.
- The introduction of the KiVa programme which is a proven system for reducing incidents of bullying in schools
- Removal of the old boiler and renovating this area as a PE shed so that Mr. Mann can finally get his cricket gear bags out of his classroom.
- The possible development of a hub learning environment with the four adjoining classrooms based off Rooms 17 and 18.
- Working towards an upgrade of our hall, which is long overdue.

We have managed to avoid the implementation of an enrolment policy which, at this stage, will still allow all parents to send their child to MIS, in what I believe should be their right to an intermediate education.

We are very hopeful that we can manage to keep our roll closer to 500 students for at least the next three years. This will have many advantages, particularly during assemblies, which have been a very tight squeeze on many occasions this year.

Once again, I would like to sincerely thank all of you for being part of the MIS whānau of 2019.
Kia pai o koutou hararei.
Kia kaha, kia maia, Kia toa, kia manawanui.

Russell Thompson (Tumuaki)

STUDENT VALEDICTION – By Lily Tulloch

Tena koutou katoa
Ko Lily taku ingoa.
Ko Tulloch toku whānau.
Tekau mā toru aku tau.
Ko Remutaka toku māunga.
Ko Ruamāhanga toku awa.
Ko Nicola toku māmā.
Ko Brett toku pāpā.
Kia ora tātou katoa.

*My name is Lily Tulloch. I will be describing my two years throughout MIS. I hope you enjoy listening to my kōrero about my exciting experiences.
A rush of thrill ran throughout my body, on my entrance into this welcoming school. My friends greeted me with open arms, as well as all the other approachable students and staff members.
I slowly became part of the whānau, while my journey through MIS passed by swiftly.*

The Kapa Haka with yelling of enthusiasm and passion! The sweet melodies and harmonies, that fill the air and send goosebumps erupting upon my skin. After the Powhiris, Mr T always exclaiming that Miss Geange should go with the visitors, because she of course, wants some kai!

The Poly Club, breathtaking skills on the drums, impressive dance movements and coordination in the choreography. The jokes about Ben not finishing his spring roll, he was so excited to have in Raro!

The choir, includes the incredible music pieces floating around the hall, bouncing off the walls and into the ears of the pleased audiences. And you can't forget Mrs Jaquiere trying to steal the kids' solos. In my opinion, she would make a fantastic 'Pumbaa'.

These few things have made my entire adventure from beginning to end, an extremely enjoyable trip.

I would just like to thank my friends and family for helping me through the tough times. I pulled through it, so you can too! This prompting question was: What did you enjoy most about MIS?

*There is a definite that most people here wrote about the opportunities because honestly, it is true! All the sporting teams, including Mr Mann's enthusiasm for us to win all our cricket games,
(And even if we don't, he still awards us with frozen cokes for our amazing teamwork)
All the talk about Mrs V. yelling on the sidelines of Netball or Volleyball games,
And the same goes for Ms Geange, also with Basketball*

My artistic ability has been able to mature, as the opportunities have made my singing, acting and drawing flourish. The art competition that I won last year, I cannot explain the joy that I was feeling. The Lion King on opening night, I'm incapable of describing all the magical feelings it created.

Now, I know I'm not involved in every single thing, but here's a little bit of advice for the Year Sevens; Get involved. It is worth it.

LilyTulloch (Room 6)



END OF YEAR AWARDS, 2019

Congratulations to the following students who were the winners of our major awards in 2019:

ARTS EVENING ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3

Cup for Overall Contribution to Music	Keri Lumukana
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CURRICULUM AWARDS ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10

Hancox Family Dance Trophy	Ayla Wright
Chess Champion Trophy	Arran Snyders
Diane Martin Top Chef Cup	Skye'la McCormack
Irene McKinstry Top Scientist Award	Tawera Heitia-Forsman

SPORTS AWARDS ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10

Charmaine Waitere Memorial Trophy (Most Outstanding Softballer)	Le'Sharn Reiri-Paku
Sportsperson of the Year	James Church

FINAL ASSEMBLY ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

Carmen Cup for Environmental Science	Kiera Snyders
Mikyla Thompson Trophy for Excellence in Visual Art	Jadah Jonassen
Linda Morris Award for Outstanding Effort	Emma Kaderi
Maahi Kaka Trophy Outstanding Performance in Kapa Haka	Kaitlyn Dawson
Tino Mōhio Trophy (Dux of MIS)	Charlotte Cusack
Tino Rangatiratanga Leadership Award	Max Setu

FINAL ASSEMBLY ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

Nominees for the McCormick Cup - Most Outstanding Boys Contribution

Jacob Allen Cory Bracewell James Church Sam Freeman Bryn Gibbs	James Kawana Murphy McCallum Cian McLean Samuel Payne	Lyon Rodger Max Setu Mitchell Shields Arran Snyders
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Nominees for the Brewster Shield - Most Outstanding Girls Contribution

Jessica Bleakley Jordyn Bowden Rebekah Brown Charlotte Cusack Marella Day Kaitlyn Dawson Chloe de Lara Bell	Maia Harwood Willow Innes Keri Lumukana Brooke Medlin Zoe Price Ella Robinson	Trinity Savaliga Emily Smith Izzy Stockley Sovaia Sabutu Kiera Snyders Lily Tulloch
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Brewster Shield Winner Most Outstanding Boys Contribution	Marella Day
McCormick Cup Winner Most Outstanding Girls Contribution	Mitchell Shields

Thank you to all those who attended our final assembly.



LOOKING AHEAD TO 2020

Some important dates for the 2020 school year calendar:

TERM ONE

Monday, February 3 and Tuesday, February 4

30-minute discussions with Year 7 students, new Year 8 students, their whānau and class teachers to get to know each other before starting at MIS.

Wednesday, February 5

Year 7 & new Year 8 students meet at 8.45 am at the Lighthouse Church on Intermediate Street.

Year 8 students at MIS in 2019 are to meet in the hall at 8.45 am.

Pōwhiri at 9.30 am

Thursday, February 6 - Waitangi Day (school closed)

Friday, February 7 - Teacher Only Day (school closed)

Friday, February 14 - Giants Softball League starts at South Park

Sunday, February 23 - Japan Trip Golf Tournament at Eketahuna

Friday February 28 - Newsletter issued today

Wednesday, March 4 - Masterton Schools Swimming from 9.00 am to 12.30 pm

Monday, March 9 - Vision testing for Year Seven students this week

Wednesday, March 11 - Fun Run starts at 9.15 am

Thursday, March 12

School closes at 12.30 pm for Learning Conferences with student, parents/caregivers and class teacher for 20 minutes each

Tuesday, March 17

Learning Conferences from 3.30 pm, with student, parents/caregivers and class teacher for 20 minutes each

Wednesday, March 18

Nga Tama Toa

Wairarapa Schools Swimming Championship from 5.30 to 8.00 pm

Thursday, March 19 and Friday, March 20

Education Outside the Classroom two-day programme

Tuesday, March 24 - Poi Porotiti

Thursday, March 26

Revolution Tour visit at 9.15 am

Wednesday, April 1

Wellington Region Intermediate Schools Sports Association (WRISSA) Baseball tournament

Friday, April 3 - Newsletter issued today

Tuesday, April 7 - School photos: class and individual



Wednesday, April 8 - WRISSA Sevens Rugby tournament

Thursday, April 9

Syndicate Haka competition starting in the school hall at 11.10 am
Term One ends at 3.00 pm

Friday, April 10 - Good Friday (school closed)

APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS - Saturday, April 11 to Sunday, April 26

TERM TWO

Monday, April 27 - ANZAC Day observed (school closed)

Wednesday, May 13 - WRISSA Girls Football

Thursday, May 14 - WRISSA Boys Football

Friday, May 22 - Newsletter issued today

Monday, June 1 - Queen's Birthday (school closed)

Wednesday, June 3 - WRISSA Cross Country

Tuesday, June 9 - Nga Tama Toa

Wednesday, June 10 - WRISSA Boys Hockey, Masterton Schools Cross Country

Thursday, June 11 - WRISSA Girls Hockey

Wednesday, June 17 - Poi Porotiti

Thursday, June 25 and Friday, June 26

Winter sports exchange with Havelock North Intermediate in Masterton

Friday, June 26 - Newsletter issued today

Friday, July 3 - Term Two ends at 3.00 pm

JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS - Saturday, July 4 to Sunday, July 19

TERM THREE

Monday, July 20 - first day of Term Three at 8.45 am

Friday, July 31

Shijonawate Gakuen Junior High School group arrives at 6.00 pm

Monday, August 3 - Pōwhiri for Japanese group at 9.30 am

Tuesday, August 11 - Japan group returns home to Osaka

Wednesday, August 5 - WRISSA Volleyball

Friday, August 15 - Newsletter issued today

Wednesday, August 19 - WRISSA Netball



Thursday, August 20

Matharapa at Wairarapa College: Year 7 (am) & Year 8 (pm)

Tuesday, August 25

Open Night - for Year 6 students and their families to view our school

Friday, August 28 - Masterton Schools Teacher Only Day (school closed)

Wednesday, September 2 - WRISSA Boys Rugby

Sunday, September 6 to Friday, September 11 - AIMS Games in Tauranga

Wednesday, September 9 - Nga Tama Toa

Tuesday, September 15 - Poi Porotiti

Wednesday, September 16 - WRISSA Girls Rugby

Friday, September 18 - Newsletter issued today

Tuesday, September 22 - Syndicate Singing competition, starting at 11.20 am

Wednesday, September 23 - Japan trip group departs for Osaka

Wednesday, September 23 - WRISSA Girls Basketball

Thursday, September 24 - WRISSA Boys Basketball

Friday, September 25 - Term Three ends at 3.00 pm

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS from Saturday, September 26 to Sunday, October 11

Tuesday, October 6 - Japan trip group arrives back from Osaka

TERM FOUR

Monday, October 12 - Term Four starts at 8.45 am

Saturday, October 17 - Rarotonga trip group departs, back Saturday, October 24

Monday, October 26 - Labour Day (school closed)

Tuesday, November 3 - Athletics Standards Day

Wednesday, November 4 - Nga Tama Toa & Poi Porotiti

Wednesday, November 4 - WRISSA Touch

Friday, November 6 - Newsletter issued today

Tuesday, November 10 - WRISSA Swimming

Wednesday, November 11 - Masterton Schools Athletics

Thursday, November 19 and Friday, November 20

Cultural exchange at Havelock North Intermediate

Friday, November 27

Orientation Morning - Current Year 6 students to visit MIS



Tuesday, December 1 - Wellington Regional Athletics

Friday, December 4 - Hosting Brandon Intermediate for our cultural exchange

Tuesday, December 8 - Sports Awards at 7.00 pm

Wednesday, December 9 - Service Awards at 9.15 am

Friday, November 11 - Curriculum Awards at 9.15 am

Friday, December 11 - Newsletter issued today

Thursday, December 12 - Leavers' Social for Year 8 students

Tuesday, December 15

Final Assembly at Wairarapa College from 11.00 am to 1.15 pm
Reports issued at 2.30 pm, farewell to Year 8 students at 2.50 pm
School closes at 3.00 pm



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