



Mission Heights Primary School

2016 Information

'Growing Excellence' through innovative and constantly evolving personalised learning

Mission Heights Primary School caters for students from Year 1 to Year 6. The school opened in 2009 and has a approximate roll of 700 students. The school shares a site and many facilities such as the library, fields and shared court area with Mission Heights Junior College.

The first day of school for all students for the 2016 academic year is Tuesday 2nd February

2016 School Dates, Public Holidays & Teacher Only Days

Mission Heights Primary School will be open in 2016 during the following periods and closed in 2016 on Saturdays, Sundays, public holidays and Teacher Only Days.

Term One	<u>Tuesday 2 February</u> Waitangi Day Holiday (observed) Good Friday Easter Monday Easter Tuesday	To	<u>Friday 15 April</u> Monday 8 February Friday 25 March Monday 28 March Tuesday 29 March
Term Two	<u>Monday 2 May</u> Queen's Birthday Holiday Teacher Only Day	To	<u>Friday 8 July</u> Monday 6 June Tuesday 7 June
Term Three	<u>Monday 25 July</u>	To	<u>Friday 23 September</u>
Term Four	<u>Monday 10 October</u> Labour Day Holiday	To	<u>Friday 16 December</u> Monday 24 October

New Entrants – 5 year olds

Students turning 5, will commence at Mission Heights Primary School, on the Monday following their birthday.

At Mission Heights Primary School, the cut-off birth date for students to move from Year 1 to Year 2 is 1st May. This means that a student who has a birth date and starts before 1st May will go into Year 2 the next calendar year.

We carefully look at all student's progress if their birthdays fall within a month either side of 1st May to ensure they are suited socially, academically and physically to the year level their birthday puts them in.

School Communication

The school encourages all parents and caregivers to support our digital vision by viewing upcoming events, information and newsletters online. Our website address is; <http://online.mhp.school.nz>.

All newsletters, notices, information and correspondence will be sent to parents by email. Please ensure you advise the school if there are any changes to your email contact details.

Absences can be emailed to absence@mhp.school.nz or a message can be left on the school answer phone.

All teachers can be contacted by their school email address. For all other enquiries/information, please contact admin@mhp.school.nz

School Hours

There are no bells at the start and end of the school day as part of encouraging students to manage themselves to prepare for the school day and take responsibility for their learning.

All students who arrive after 8.40am must report to the school reception.

The school timetable is as follows;

8.30am	RTL Time – All students must be in their LZ's by this time to start their school day
8.40am	Admin/Roll notices etc
8.50am -9.55am	Curriculum learning commences
9.55am -10.00am	5 minute healthy eating brain break – fruit/crunchy raw vegetables only
10.00am -11.00am	Curriculum learning
11.00am -11.25am	Morning break
11.30am -12.40pm	ACE – Integrated curriculum
12.40pm -1.30pm	Lunch break
1.30pm - 2.50pm	Curriculum learning
2.50pm - 3.00pm	Enviro duties/pack up
3.00pm	School day ends

School Contribution

It is our aim at Mission Heights Primary School to offer a range of activities to extend and enrich students learning beyond the basic curriculum. This includes specialist teaching, literacy support and our digitally intensive ICT learning environments. These “extras” cannot be fully covered by the Government Grants and the Board of Trustees requests an annual monetary contribution from all parents.

The school contribution is \$200 for one child, \$400 for two children and \$500 for three or more children. A receipt will be issued for the amount received as a donation. This may be used for tax purposes.

Instalment options are available for parents who wish to set up regular and direct payments from enrolment time to the school. Please enquire at reception for details. The school bank account details are as follows;

Bank & Branch: ASB Botany
Account #: 12-3233-0051910-00
Reference: Student's Name & details
e.g S Smith contribution

Compulsory Activity Fees

The payment of activity fees is compulsory and are charged over and above the contribution. These payments include items such as the ACE Programme, Athletics/Spellodrome and Cross Curricular Print Materials. These fees will be charged and payable with the stationery. Activities such as school camps, field trips, visiting speakers and performers, take home components, Life Education programme and so on, will be charged when payment is required. They may vary each year depending on your child's programme of study.