We wish to thank Toad Hall for all their support. We appreciate your kind donation of player of the day certificates and our weekly Gotcha draw ice cream voucher.

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**Striving to Learn at MSS**

Room 2 using the iPads to practise their alphabet, Room 7 making a special surprise for their mums, Room 10 using the new Chromebooks and maths is everywhere!
Below is a general summary of feedback:

- Do you feel well informed about your child’s progress and achievements through their academic report?
  88.5% responded - yes

- Does the report enable you to know where your child is at regarding their academic performance?
  94% responded - yes

- Does your child’s report allow you to discuss their progress and achievements?
  94% responded - yes

- Do you agree with a mid-year and end-of-year written report along with Parent/Teacher Interviews in Term 1?
  94.2% responded - yes

A large proportion of respondents indicated they would appreciate more information about their child’s Social Skills. We have modified the report format to include this. While we could not accommodate all suggestions, teachers will use the general comment section of the report to include some of the information that was feedback.

Student reports will be sent home twice a year – in mid-year and end of year. Parents are encouraged to meet with their child’s teacher at any stage in the year if they wish to be updated on their child’s progress and achievement, or to discuss any concerns.

The Ministry of Health is reminding schools and parents to be aware of the measles outbreak.

Immunisation – the best protection against measles and it is free! Immunisation is the best protection against measles, and to be effective, people need to have two measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccinations. Anyone who is unsure if they are fully immunised should get vaccinated for free at their GP.

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By Aaron and Ande

School T-Shirt Order Form
Students are required to have a school t-shirt for all school events. If you would like to purchase a new t-shirt please complete the form and return it to the office (with payment) by Monday 14 May.

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Tēnā koutou kātoa
Thank you to those parents who provided feedback from our survey regarding Student Reports last term. We received 54 responses with an even spread across student year groups.

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Kia ora Parents and Whanau
It’s almost time for the annual MSS Cross Country! Please be sure to set aside the afternoon of Tuesday 22 May to come along and support our students at the Estuary Walkway track behind the BMX track and skate-park.

We would like the students to wear their school ‘House’ colours for the event, so please think ahead and help your child/ren to sort or borrow something in their colour.

We are also looking for some parents to help as marshals on the day, so please let the school office know if you are available.

NB: This is a regular school day, so all students must return to MSS after the event and parents may pick up their children from school as usual at 3pm. If the weather is wet on the Tuesday, our postponement date is Thursday 24 May.

Thank you in advance for your support of this fun event!

By Aaron and Ande

**KEYS TO SUCCESS Programme**

CONGRATULATIONS to the following student who recently received a Principal’s Awards:
- Toby Butler
- Livinya Jayasinghe
- Paul Buerz
- Rita Janky
- Izylus Maurer

MSS welcomes and looks forward to working with the following new students and their families:

- Mohammed Ali
- Luke Arnold
- Toby Butler
- Izylus Maurer
- Livinya Jayasinghe
- Paul Buerz
- Rina Janky
- Lincoln Stebbings

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**Spirit of Adventure**

The Spirit of Adventure is a programme for teenagers aged 16 to 18. It involves travelling for ten days aboard a sailing ship named the Spirit of New Zealand with 20 other strangers and crew.

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**‘STEAMS’ School**

Science - Technology - Engineering - Art - Maths - Society

My friend Lex and I attended STEAMS School last term. It provides an opportunity for students who tend to think ‘outside the box’ to get together and challenge one another with various ideas. At the start, we got 2 laminated sheets called ‘maths badges’ and ‘science badges’ which we have to complete throughout the year. My example science badge was for cooking, even though I’m not a cooking person! After that, we had to get in to groups of 3 and Activity #1 was to make a Spaghetti Bridge, the strongest bridge won and Activity #2 was to make a Rollercoaster for a marble to travel down. The two photos show what our team made. We didn’t win anything though.

By Ryan

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**LOCY’S CIRCUS ACT**

We had the ‘Adrenaline’ circus come to our school and perform some acts. There was a clown called Arie, luckily I got chosen to assist Arie on stage. In the act, he made his fingers light up and I had to swallow the light then he took it out of me - I was astonished! Since I was such a good assistant I got a free ticket to the show. I’m sure not going to miss his big act neither should you!

**RED CROSS PEOPLE SAVERS**

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B Grade Gymnastics Festival

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