

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Hello and welcome to Room 3! 2019 is going to be an exciting year of growth and opportunities. I am looking forward to getting to know all the Room 3 students and their families.

A bit about me

This is my 5th year of teaching at Mairangi Bay School. I am a mother of two, Cade is 7 years old and Isla is 10 years old. I am privileged having both of my children attending Mairangi Bay School. My background is in Finance, which I worked in while living in London and travelling around many beautiful parts of the world. I also own a Photography business, one of my passions is art and I really enjoy bringing creativity to the classroom. I studied teaching at Massey University and continue to be involved with professional development. It is important to me for teacher and parent to have open communication around students learning, I am very approachable and welcome parent input. I am constantly looking for new and challenging ideas and practices for the classroom to extend and motivate the class.

Homework

Reading, spelling and some basic facts will be set each week. Occasional home projects focused around our topic will be given during the year. I expect students to be reading at home every day, unless they have extracurricular activities after school. Spelling & Maths will be set on a Monday and tested/marked on a Friday. If you have any questions or clarifications about any school matters, you can email me at melm@mairangibay.school.nz.

Meet the Teacher

I look forward to meeting you at meet the teacher (if I haven't already) and this is a good opportunity for you to:

- share any information that would better enable me to understand what motivates your child
- share any information relevant to this year's learning
- share initial impressions of how the year is going
- share any concerns

This is a chance for us to build on your child's strengths and to identify areas of need.

Any questions, please email, pop in before or after school or make an appointment if you have a matter that needs more attention.

Mel Mason