

Vital Education...
Where tomorrow's success begins today

Dear Parents

16 March 2015

Congratulations - you have some incredible children. Over the last 12 months they have continued to excel and amaze.

Well over 50% of Vital students received class and school awards for achievement last year.

At one school, three students received outstanding student awards for scholastic excellence at their respective levels.

Four of our boys gained entry to 3A at Auckland Grammar. One boy went up 9 classes from 2014 to 2015 - 80% went up one or two classes.

Our NCEA and Cambridge Examination students achieved results beyond expectation - one student gained 5 A's in his GCSE examinations - 4 of these being A Stars.

A NEW START

For new students the beginning of the new school year marks an opportunity for a fresh start - a chance to turn any poor results and academic failures of the past into new opportunities and a successful future. It's a chance to adopt new attitudes and values and to confront the future with confidence.

"Tomorrow's employees will be doing what robots can't do, which means their work will call for sophisticated intelligence."

From *Making Connections* by Nummela & Caine



What we do today is the key to opening the door to opportunities tomorrow.

Help your child to experience success now and in the future.

END OF TERM

Lessons continue for this term to Thursday 2 April 2015.

All 'catch-up' lessons from Term One need to be taken by this date as we are unable to carry these over to Term Two.

TERM TWO 2015

Term 2 is an 11 week term. It commences on Monday 20 April and concludes on Saturday 4 July 2015.

BE IN THE DRAW TO WIN A MOVIE PASS

All you need to do is return your completed Coaching Confirmation form by 8pm Thursday 2 April 2015.

FEES

Our fees for professional coaching are the cheapest available:

Education for Success Programme <i>(Equivalent to \$30.61 excl. GST or \$35.20 incl. GST per hour)</i>	\$44 per lesson
Term by Term Coaching <i>(Equivalent to \$34.09 excl. GST or \$39.20 incl. GST per hour)</i>	\$49 per lesson
The fee when paid in full for the term (11 lessons) on or before the first lesson is:	\$539

HOLIDAY COACHING

Avoid your child slipping back over the holidays. Our holiday programme enables students to maintain their current levels of achievement during the holiday period and in many cases to advance them. All programmes are based on meeting individual needs, catering for students who struggle at school through to those who are gifted and keen to extend themselves further.

Students in Years 6 and 8 who are applying for admission to private and sought after state schools in 2016 will find these lessons helpful in preparing to meet the examination and admission requirements of their prospective schools.

Our coaching programme will be running at the following times during the holidays:

9 - 10.15am; 10.15am - 11.30am	Tuesday 7 April
9 - 10.15am; 10.15am - 11.30am	Wednesday 8 April
9 - 10.15am; 10.15am - 11.30am	Thursday 9 April
9 - 10.15am; 10.15am - 11.30am	Friday 10 April
9 - 10.15am; 10.15am - 11.30am	Tuesday 14 April
9 - 10.15am; 10.15am - 11.30am	Wednesday 15 April
9 - 10.15am; 10.15am - 11.30am	Thursday 16 April
9 - 10.15am; 10.15am - 11.30am	Friday 17 April



The cost per lesson remains the same as Term 1. For those on the Education for Success programme attendance will count as one of their 45 lessons.

N.B. WE ONLY EMPLOY QUALIFIED TEACHERS

**Be so good they can't ignore you.
-Steve Martin**

A LITTLE INSPIRATION

The following experiences are related by Mac Anderson in his book 'The Power of Attitude'.

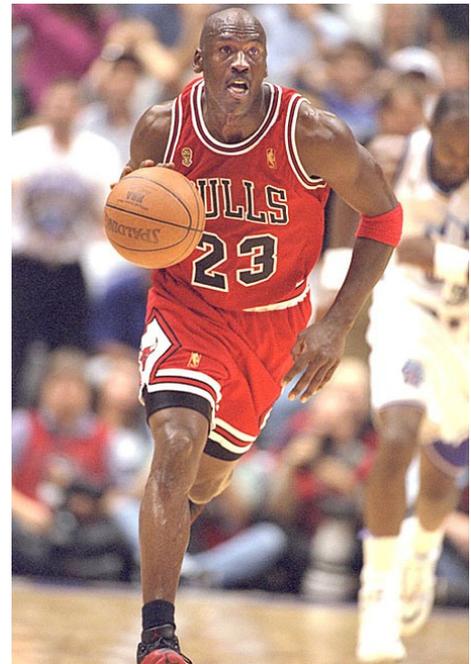
THE CHOICE IS YOURS

Late one afternoon a skinny young man dashed down the steps at his school to check out the bulletin board by the gym. His heart was pounding as he saw the list that would tell if he had realised his dream of making the high school basketball team. He read it again and again, each time with the same result - his name was not there. He had failed. That day, that moment, would change his life.

For the next year, regardless of the weather, he practiced four to six hours every day in a park about a mile from his home. Many nights he was alone under the moonlight, practicing every move, every shot that he needed to make next year's team.

The ending is a happy one. He did make the team - and Michael Jordan, on the heels of failure, went on to become the greatest basketball player of all time.

What is the lesson learned from the Michael Jordan story? It is this ... your success or failure in life will not be decided by the number of setbacks you encounter, but rather how you react to them. Jordan had a choice. He could take his defeat personally, blame the coach, and throw in the towel, or he could do what he did - keep working, keep trying. Would Jordan ever have achieved greatness had he not fought back from failure? My guess is no. I believe with all my heart that, "Whatever doesn't kill us makes us stronger." If you choose a positive approach in difficult times, you can take control of your life.



IT IS NEVER TOO LATE

Ray Kroc founded McDonalds when he was 52 years old, after trying for two years and talking to more than one hundred people to raise money. Fifteen years ago, I had the good fortune of talking to Tom Seay, one of the potential investors whom Ray approached. Tom told me how Ray had come to his office one Friday afternoon with his business plan for this "crazy idea" called McDonald's. For \$100,000 he was offering Tom thirty percent of the company. Tom told him he didn't have the time to review it then but that he would take it home over the weekend.

Monday morning rolled around, and Ray was waiting at the front door when Tom got to his office. Tom invited him in and said, "Ray, I read this plan three times; even shared it with a friend. And we both decided that there's no way in the world you can make any money selling hamburgers."

We all know that Ray thought otherwise; and the rest, of course, is history.

"The only things that stand between a person and what they want in life are the will to try it and the faith to believe it's possible." Rich DeVOS

SOMETHING TO PONDER

Puzzle no.009

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Puzzle no.010

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FREE LESSONS

The majority of our students are referred by fellow students, teachers, counsellors, parents ... Don't forget to let us know if you refer a student in Years 1 - 10 as we will provide a free lesson for every referral.

REVIEW OF NEEDS

If you would like me to review your child's progress and needs this term it is imperative you let me know by Wednesday 25 March 2015.

We are always striving for excellence. If you have any suggestions or queries please feel free to discuss them, a phone call or visit is always welcome.

Regards

Allan Crayton-Brown

Director



What will your child be doing in 2030?