

# **MERIT AND AWARDS PROGRAMME**

This programme is offered to embed the school vision "Empowering Learners to Succeed" by providing students with opportunities to participate in academic, sporting, cultural, and civics roles and activities at Morrinsville Intermediate. Students will be able to earn Merit points through improvement, outstanding achievement and leadership roles.

Students must show commitment, a positive attitude, responsibility and reliability to be eligible for any award. It is not a matter of being selected for a team, group, or doing a "job" but how the student participates and demonstrates the qualities and values we are aiming for at Morrinsville Intermediate.

Points can be gained over the two years at Morrinsville Intermediate.

There are three levels to the programme:

- 1 Merit
- 2 Excellence
- 3 Honours

The programme reflects the opportunities available at Morrinsville Intermediate and is part of the school's ethos, culture and values.

# Kia U Ki Te Pai

"Whatever you do you let it be your Best"

Doing your best for yourself (Rangatiratanga)

Doing your best for others (Manaakitanga)

Doing your best for your community (Whakawhanaungatanga)

Doing your best for the Environment (Kaitiakitanga)

#### APPLYING FOR MERIT OR EXCELLENCE AWARDS

- All students are to enter points on their personal tracking sheet card throughout the term as events occur. Points are awarded for the highest achievement, rather than cumulative.
- 2 Teachers in charge of groups must add to our school-wide tracking document, the list of students who have earned points on completion of the activity and/or end of the term and notify teachers that this has happened via the student notices.
- Activities must be entered on their tracking sheet as soon as they have completed the activity i.e. the term that they participate in (backdating may not be allowed; students need to be organised).
- When a student believes from their tracking sheet that they have enough points to gain a Merit award they **double check this with their class teacher**, and then submit it to their team leader.
- 5 The team leader will confirm the merit or excellence with the student.
- 6 The Award is presented at assembly with the badge and a certificate.
- 7 A photograph will be displayed in the foyer.

#### APPLYING FOR HONOURS

- A student can apply for Honours when they have achieved a minimum of **two excellences** and **one merit** in three different areas. For example: Excellence in Academics, Excellence in Cultural and Merit in Sport.
- To qualify for Honours, a student **must also** exemplify our school motto "Kia U Ki Te Pai". The student will formally apply for Honours in writing to the Principal, stating why they believe they should be granted this award (they do not need to state everything they have done to achieve their Merits and Excellences) however they should include their personal attributes.
- The Principal will decide, in consultation with the Senior Leadership team, whether the student is a worthy candidate for the award.
- If successful, the student will be recognised at a special assembly, in which an Honours Badge is presented. The student's whanau are invited to attend.
- The student's name will be placed on the Honours Board at the end of the year, and at that time they will receive an Honours Cup. Their name will remain on the Honours Board for future students to see.

#### **APPLYING FOR DOUBLE HONOURS**

From 2024 to be awarded Double Honours a student will start a new 'purple' card and have achieved **another** two excellences and one merit in addition to their initial Honours.

The student can carry over any **unused points** from their first cards, after receiving their Honours has been issued and have those points **signed off** by their classroom teacher.

# **ACADEMIC AWARD PROGRAMME**

Students must show a commitment to learning in the classroom, have a growth mindset and be self-motivated.



# ACADEMIC MERIT (15 points) ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE (20 points)

	3 points	2 points	1 point	
Kiwi Competitions	Excellence	Merit	Achieved	
Otago Problem Solving	Score between 18+	Score between 14-17	Score between 10-13	
Waikato Science Fair	Gold or Silver placing	Bronze or Special Award	Entry/Selection into Fair	
School Speeches Bonus point for placing at II/Rotary Max 4pts	II Speeches and/or Rotary Speeches	Placing at school finals	School finalist	
E-AsTTle Testing  Reading & Maths  For those who don't achieve 4B or above (Y7) or 4A or above (Y8), progress points can be gained as follows: 1 point awarded for improvement of 2 steps; eg 3B to 3A No points for scores lower than in any previous tests.  Max 6 points per year in each learning area	Year 7 Level 4A+ if 4A or above has already been achieved - an extra 1 point per level is awarded - max points for any test =3	Level 4P if 4P has already been achieved on most previous test, an extra 1 point is awarded	Level 4B if 4B has already been achieved on most previous test, an extra 1 point is awarded	
	Year 8 Level 5P+ If 5P or above has already been achieved - 1 point per level is awarded - max points for any test = 3	Level 5B If 5B has already been achieved on most previous test then 1 point is awarded	Level 4A if 4A has already been achieved on most previous test then 1 point is awarded	
School Wide Writing Assess For those who don't achieve the points as per the table EL4 or above (Y7) or L4 or above (Y8), progress points can be gained as follows: 1 point awarded for each level of improvement from the most previous assessment; eg Early 3 to Level 3 = 1 point, Early 3 to Early 4 = 2 points)  Max 6 points per year	Year 7 Early Level 5+ if Early L5+ or above has already been achieved - an extra 1 point per level is awarded - max points for any test = 3	Level 4 if L4 has already been achieved on the previous writing sample - an extra 1 point is awarded	Early Level 4 if Early L4 has already been achieved on the previous writing sample - an extra 1 point is awarded	
	Year 8 Level 5+ if L5+ or above has already been achieved - an extra 1 point per level is awarded - max points for any test = 3	Early Level 5 if Early L5 has already been achieved on the previous writing sample - an extra 1 point is awarded	Level 4 if L4 has already been achieved on the previous writing sample - an extra 1 point is awarded	
IKAN Maths For those who don't achieve S6 or above (Y7) or S7 or above (Y8) 1 point awarded for improvement in 1 or more domains e.g. stage 4 to 5 from most	Year 7 Achievement Stage 7 across two or more domains and no less than Stage 6 in others	Stage 7 in one domain and Stage 6 in other domains	Stage 6 across all domains Or Stage 7 in one domain	
previous assessment  1x progress point max per test  *discretionary point considered for 100% attainment in IKAN  Max 3 points per year	Year 8 Achievement Stage 8 in one or more domains and Stage 7 across two others	Stage 7 across <b>three</b> domains	Stage 7 across <b>two</b> domains and no less than Stage 6 in others	
School Wide Times Tables Test 2 points max per year			100% Achievement NB if 100% is achieved in subsequent test, 1 point awarded if time has improved	
Hard Materials, Food, Music, Art	1 merit point awarded to 1 area, by Specialist Teache		t cohort) per term for each	
Max 1 point per subject, per year				
Outstanding Class Work	Teachers are to take their nominations and work (evidence-based) to Team Leaders who will submit to the Principal /DP for consideration. Points will be awarded on a discretionary basis. This includes work from any Extension Programme.			
Wai/Taupo Maths	Placing	Selection		
Epro8/123Tech	Regional Placing	Regional Selection	In-school selection	
Lit Quiz	Placing	Selection		
Masterchef		Winner	Finalist	

## SPORTING AWARD PROGRAMME

To obtain a Sports Merit Award the student must represent Morrinsville Intermediate in any sports code showing fair play, commitment and team spirit.

## **SPORTS MERIT** (15 points)

## **SPORTS EXCELLENCE** (20 points)

	3 points	2 points	1 point
Inter Intermediate Sports	Placing 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Selected for Inter-Intermediate	Selected but withdrawn due to injury or illness
Swimming	I.I. Individual Placing 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup> or MIS Overall Champion Boy or Girl	I.I. Selection	Placing in School Swimming Sports 1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> in final if not going to II
Cross Country  Max 4 points	Il individual placing 1st, 2nd or 3rd  Il team placing 1st, 2nd or 3rd (first five runners only)  1st placegetters in each age group at MIS	I.I. Selection (i.e. 1st - 6th placing at MIS)	Placing at School Cross Country 7th-10th
Athletics  Max 4 points	Placing 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup> or MIS Overall Champion Boy or Girl	I.I. Selection	Placing at School Athletics finals 1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> ,but did not qualify for I.I.
Team Sports Season representing M.I.S. e.g. Cricket, Netball, Hockey, Touch, Lacrosse, Basketball	1st-3rd End of season placing for their grade	For the season NB Cricket is Terms 1 and 4 - full commitment	1 Term of school sport e.g. Touch Rugby, Cricket, Basketball
Tough Girl and Guy			Attended the event
Coast-to-Coast	Overall team placing at event 1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup>	Selection for team	
NZ AIMS All other sports	Overall placing at event in top 10% or Podium Finish	Overall placing at event in top 25%	Entry and attend AIMS Games
NZ AIMS Cross Country	Overall placing at event in top 10	Overall placing at event in top 25	Entry and attend AIMS Games
Outstanding Sporting Achievement	At discretion of Deputy Principal or Principal e.g. NZ Team Selection = 3 points e.g. Overall II champion athlete is one additional point		







### **CULTURAL AWARD PROGRAMME**

To obtain a Cultural Merit Award students must, as an individual or a member of a group, demonstrate a positive attitude and commitment to lessons, and be involved in a range of activities. A period of approximately **two terms** commitment will be expected in most cases.

## CULTURAL MERIT (12 points) CULTURAL EXCELLENCE (16 points)

	3 points	2 points	1 point
Rock Band		Per 2 terms	
Bandslam Competition  Max 2 points		Placing (either ind. or band)	Participation
Rock Quest Competition  Max 2 points		Placing (either ind. or band)	Participation
Choir		Per 2 Terms	
School Band		Per 2 Terms	
Ukulele Band		Per 2 Terms	
Production (on stage)	Main Role	Minor Role	
Production (technical)	Main Role	Minor Role	Backstage
Kapa Haka	Kapa Haka Roopu (Kaia) Per 2 Terms	Kapa Haka Roopu (non Kaia) Per 2 Terms	
Livestock Day  Max 6 points	Champion of Champion (Calf, Kid, Lamb, Dog)	Reserve Champion of Champion (Calf, Kid, Lamb, Dog)	Calf/Lamb/Kid: Champion Leading Champion Rearing Champion Type (Dairy/Beef)  Participation with Livestock (includes dogs; not small pets)
Group Day			Champion or Reserve (must be on official sheet)
Craft Day		Flowers Cup Champion Leisure Activities Effort Award Cooking Cup Champion Craft Day Champion	Reserve Champs for Flowers, Leisure, Cooking & Craft Day Champion Cups
Max 6 points		Sculpture 1st Cake Decorating 1st	Sculpture 2nd/3rd 8 points or more for exhibits in craft day
X Factor		Placing 1st,2nd or 3rd	Finalist
II Kapa Haka		Participation	
II Music/Art/Drama Days			Participation
International Travel			Vanuatu, Japan
Outstanding Achievement	At discretion of Deputy Principal or Principal e.g. Placing at the Waikato Show		











#### **CIVICS AWARD PROGRAMME**

The civics award is awarded to an individual for giving dedicated and honest commitment to a range of duties or services at Morrinsville Intermediate. Holding a role in the civics aspect does not automatically mean points are awarded; students have to show dedication, punctuality, honesty and reliability according to the teacher in charge.

NB: A period of approximately **two terms** commitment will be expected in most cases.

### <u>CIVICS MERIT</u> (10 points)

#### **CIVICS EXCELLENCE** (14 points)

	3 points	2 points	1 point
Road Patrol		Per 2 Terms	
Flag Monitor			Per 2 Terms
Digitech Crew		Per 2 Terms	
Eco Warriors Group			Per Term
Science Lab Assistant Must be teacher selected			Per Term
Catering Group e.g. Livestock Day, Production, Y. 8 Social		Key Role	Minor Role
Librarian		Per 2 Terms	
Canteen		Per 2 Terms	
Student Executive	Per 2 Terms		
Class Council		Per 2 terms	
Sports Council		Per 2 terms	
Livestock Committee			Member
Bus Monitor		Per 2 Terms (Lead Monitor)	Per 2 Terms (Deputy Monitor)
Kia U Ki Te Pai Award	Kia U Ki Te Pai Recipient		
Technology Assistant (A different person per term, per Tech)		Food Tech (Per Term)	Per Term
Radio DJ		Per 2 Terms	
International Tourist Host		Hosting Student	
Other Civics Duties	At discretion of Deputy Principal or Principal e.g. Referee for a season in an unpaid position		





