

Sir Edmund Hillary  
Collegiate *Otara*  
Middle School



# NEWSLETTER

TERM 1  
Week 1 Edition  
2 February 2017

## SCHOOL EVENTS

### February

- 6 Waitangi Day (NO School)
- 13 Swimming Program begins
- 15 **MS Family Picnic 5pm**
- 28 Boys Softball  
BOT Meeting 5pm

### March

- 1 Girls Softball
- 6-10 Testing Week
- 15-18 ASB POLYFEST
- 24 School Swimming Carnival



## WELCOME NEW FAMILIES

*Kia Ora Koutou Katoa! Talofa Lava! Kia Orana! Malo e Lelei! Fakalofa Lahi Atu,*

I would like to welcome all our new families to our fantastic school. Middle School is a great school for your child to attend. We will provide opportunities and new experiences for your child to grow and mature into great young adolescence.

Everyone is looking very smart in their new uniforms. I want to encourage students to leave their school jerseys at home. School stationary can be purchased from our main office.

If you have any questions or concerns come in and speak with us or send us a letter, we are here to help you. To contact us phone: 09 2745782

Ext 410 for Staff Room  
Ext 403 for Mr Bartlett (DP)  
Ext 101 for Mrs Ngakuru (Principal)

## Bell Times

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <b>School starts:</b> | <b>8.55 am</b>  |
| Learning Time 1:      | 8.55-10.00 am   |
| Learning Time 2:      | 10.00-10.55 am  |
| <b>First Break:</b>   | 10.55– 11.15 am |
| Learning Time 3:      | 11.15-12.15 pm  |
| Learning Time 4:      | 12.15-1.15 pm   |
| <b>Second Break:</b>  | 1.15– 2.00 pm   |
| Learning Time 5:      | 2.00– 2.55 pm   |
| <b>School Ends:</b>   | <b>2.55pm</b>   |

## REMINDERS

- Pack your PE/Swimming uniform every day from week 3 onwards
- School starts at 8.55 am every day
- Stationery Packs can be purchased from Reception for \$20.00



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# SCHOOL UNIFORMS

We understand that the school uniform is very expensive and would like to lessen the burden for you. As a suggestion you can purchase the PE uniform (shorts and top) that your child can wear to school everyday. The school jersey is woollen and we suggest that you purchase this for winter as it is far too hot for it to be worn now. You can layby the jersey now for next term. The foot wear can be either black or brown sandals (not jandals) or black shoes and navy or black socks.

**PLEASE NOTE:** School uniforms can be purchased from NZ Uniforms at the **NEW LOCATION** in Botany.

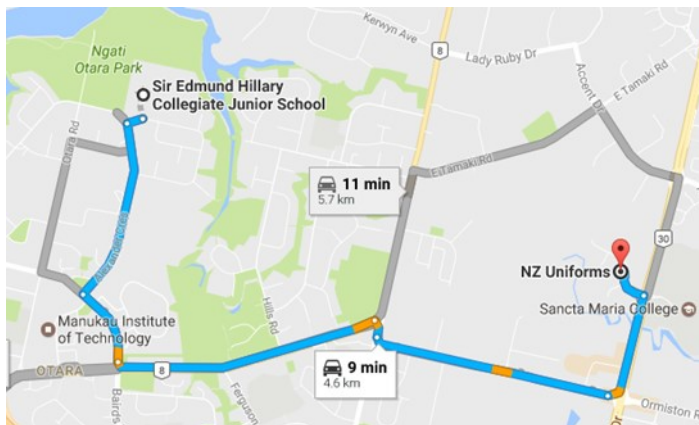
Unit B, 16 Bishop Dunn Place, Botany, Auckland 2013

**Phone:** 09 281 3531

**Open Hours:** Monday · Friday 9:00am 5:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am 1:00pm

**Sunday Closed**



# HATS

In 2017 during the summer season, students **MUST** wear hats. Bucket Hats and Caps with the school logo on it can be purchased from NZ Uniform for \$20.00 **OR** students can wear plain navy blue hats **ONLY**. If your child wears any other hat, it will be confiscated for the remainder of the term.

**NO HAT** means students will not be allowed to go out in the open sun. They will remain in a designated shaded area.

# NEW COLLEGIATE WEBSITE

Over the holidays we have updated our website: You can find many details about your child's schooling experience on this page along with important school calendar dates. The calendar tab can be found at the bottom of each junior, middle, and senior school tabs. Just click and you can find testing dates, sports dates, and other important experiences your child may be involved in. <http://sehc.school.nz/>

# OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. We run a Breakfast Programme in the Middle School for all students. This runs from 7.30-8.15am every day
2. Rheumatic Health Clinic runs in our school from 9-12noon
3. All students to bring a water bottle to school every day
4. All students who enrolled last year will receive their stationary pack tomorrow morning

# SCHOOL ROAD SAFETY GUIDELINES

We are asking all parents to help us make sure that your child is safe when they come and leave the Collegiate. All students must enter through the pedestrian gate and walk along the footpath around to the Middle School. No child is allowed to walk **through** the car park area where the cars travel.

If you are dropping your child off by car please use the **'drop off area'** by the first gate entrance. The car park area is for visitors and teachers **ONLY**.



At the end of the day all teachers will walk their class out to the pedestrian crossing as a further safety precaution.

# SOFTBALL TRIALS

**Our first sport for the year is Softball.**

Trials will start soon. If your child would like to be involved in any sports team this year, we expect them to uphold our school values, committing to Middle School Mana inside and outside the classroom. Our athletes are role models and it is a privilege to be involved in our high performance programmes.