

Wednesday 12 June 2019



Dear Parents/Whanau,

BOT Elections

My thanks to everyone who has put themselves forward as a candidate in this year's BOT Elections.



Voting is now officially closed. Any voting papers that are post marked before noon on Election Day and arrive within five days will be counted.

Voting will be counted on Thursday 13 June, 2019 and the new Board will take office as of Friday 14 June, 2019.

Thank you everyone for your contribution to this important process and good luck.

Lucy Lemusu

Returning Officer

Matariki



Matariki is the celebration of the Maori New Year and we will begin our activities in **Week 9 (Monday 24th June)**. Throughout that week we will have a range of fun activities using tuakana teina principles - older students teaching younger ones. We will have Junior School classrooms going over to the Middle School for a range of fun activities such as weaving, games, kapa haka etc. Hard to

believe but as we celebrate Matariki it means we are half way through 2019. While it is a long way back to summer, the shortest day is 22nd June which means that gradually, ever so slowly the sun will be returning with its light, longer days and its warmth.



Rugby league cancelled

Regretfully the rain has kept on coming down in buckets so the Zone co-ordinator had to cancel the league tournament. Never mind, our next sport is soccer. Let's hope we have better weather.



Sistema: Michael Hill International Violin Competition



Our congratulations to all our Sistema students who went to the Town Hall on Saturday and watched the finals of the Michael Hill Violin competition. It was an amazing night with some of the best young violinist in the world playing for first place and prizes of over \$100,000. My hope is to see

one of our tamariki winning these sorts of accolades. They have the potential to do it. My congratulations to all the whanau who have their son or daughter in Sistema.

Collegiate and Hillary House Art initiative

As a combined work, pupils from Junior, Middle and Senior Schools are involved in making an abstract art piece for



Hillary House. The Artwork will be part of the 100th birthday celebrations for Sir Edmund Hillary (if he was still alive today) and will be put in Sir Ed's house, which we have in the Collegiate grounds.

Just as a side note the art piece is made from the wooden floor tiles that used to be part of the floor of Sir Ed's home.

Health and Well-being

The dental clinic has started its Term 2 programme with us and is again checking our tamariki's teeth. One of the dentists spoke to me at length about sugar and the damaging effects it has on teeth. Lollies, sweets, fizzy drinks are just bad for child's tooth enamel and the sugar eats away at the teeth and destroys them. **Simple as that: sugar in sweets and fizzy drinks destroy your child's teeth.** So for that reason in the Junior School we have a ban on fizzy drinks. If you



wish to give this as an occasional treat please do this at home.

The dentist said that the best thing for your child is water and milk. Thank you for your support with this.

After School Care



Just a reminder that if your child needs after school care we have a unit on site that can help. There is food, games, time for homework and of course trained supervisors. For many children it's free or at a minimal cost. **For more information please contact Ms Rehal (021) 08178012**

Junior Award

The hardest working pupils this week are from Rm10: *Cee-Jae Jackson* is a conscientious and hardworking student who consistently completes all tasks assigned to her. *April Wiparata-Andrew* is always respectful, attentive and mindful of her peers and others

Our congratulations to both these hard working pupils.

Yours truly,

John Shearer
Principal

Return Slip (Return this slip and go in the draw for a book prize!)

I have received the newsletter & I have read it.

Signed.....

