Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate Otara Middle School

NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 Week 5 Edition 2019

SCHOOL EVENTS

TERM 2

June

- 3 Queens Birthday
- 4 Self defence program starts for Girls

July

4 End of Term 2

REMINDERS

Students need to be in correct school uniform. With the colder weather coming every student who does not have a school jacket or jersey has received a Warriors jacket.

Socks and shoes need to be black.

Lalaga le si'osi'omaga mo se lumana'l manuia'



Weave an environment for a better future

SAMOAN INDEPENDANCE



Miss Asiata with Samoan students leading our opening assembly on Monday.

This week our students have been experiencing the Samoan culture and language as our school celebrates Samoan Independence. At an assembly on Monday we had a Kava ceremony and our collegiate head boy Ben Lui delivered a very special speech to all the students about treasuring their language, culture and heritage as they are Taonga handed down to them by their ancestors

Our programme for the rest of the week was: Monday— Assembly Tuesday-presentation by parents to classes Thursday— cooking Samoan style

Friday- Lunch for school students and final assembly





MEASLES MESSAGE TO PARENTS

Measles in Auckland schools

Please vaccinate your child or young person if they have not had one measles (MMR) vaccine. It is free at your GP.

Students in a class with someone who has measles may be asked to stay home for one to two weeks, if they have had no MMR vaccinations.

Students with one or more MMR vaccinations can still attend school.

Measles info at: arphs.health.nz/measles

Check your child's immunisation records in their Well Child/Tamariki Ora book or ring your GP clinic.

Tell your GP or after hours clinic if you suspect measles before you arrive, so you don't infect others.

<u>Symptoms</u>: cough, runny nose, fever, sore red eyes, then a rash.





'Middle School Mana All Day Everyday'

SAMOAN INDEPENDENCE

HEAD BOY SPEECH TO SCHOOL

E muamua lava ona ou momoli la'au i foga'a aua lenei aso matagofie. Oute ofo alofa ma ou fa'atalofa atu, i le susu i lau susuga le tama'ita'i pule, le susu i le susuga i le pule lua, fa'apea le pa'ia i le vasega faia'oga, tainane ali'i ma tama'ita'i ua ofaga potopoto i lenei aso. Malo le soifua maua ma le lagi e mama.



I am honoured and privileged to speak before you all today Samoan culture. In the Samoan culture and way of life, there is only one value that stands out which is Respect. Respect in the Samoan tradition and culture is a value every Samoan honour. There is a saying in Samoa which states, "O le fa'aaloalo a le Samoa, e fa'aaloalo i le fa'aaloalo". The Samoans respect the respect. Which makes the Samoan culture and way of living unique.

Religion is one of the most important elements in a Samoan individuals life. Christianity was brought into Samoa in 1830, by John Williams who was a Missionary from London. He was given permission from Samoa's Late King Malietoa Vainu'upo to preach Christianity throughout Samoa. From there, John Williams Established the first Christian church (LMS).

Which is now known as EFKS or CCCS. From 1830 till 2019, Christianity has always been a key element to every Samoan individuals life.

The central element in Samoan culture is the aiga (family). Within the family, giving and receiving tautua (service), fa'aaloalo (respect) and alofa (love) are crucial in Samoan social relations. Young people are expected to serve and show respect to elders, and can expect to receive love, protection, honour, a name to be proud of, and defense by the family when it's needed. Which also relates to this weeks theme. "Lalaga le si'osi'omaga mo se Lumana'i manuia". Weaving an environment for a better future". I believe weaving an environment for a better future, all starts at home within our families. In every individuals life, there must be a foundation and that foundation is given to you by your parents and family members. Which are your language, religion, cultural values and traditions. These aspects help mould a Samoan early childhood's life at home and in their families. I would like to leave you with a message, without language there is no culture. A leai se gagana, ua leai se aganu'u. Taofi mau i lau gagana, taofi mau i lau aganu'u, aua o se tasi lea measina e tumau ma oe e fa'avavau. Uphold and maintain your language, and traditions because it was gifted by God and passed down from your ancestors. Your language and traditions is a treasure you will live with for life. Lalaga le si'osi'omaga mo se lumana'i manuia, Soifua ma ia manuia. Ben Lui







RESPECT

WHANAUNGATANGA EXCELLENCE

CELEBRATIONS Samoa Many songs written and composed Yet this I add from my very own soul In your land I was born In your seas I have bathed My countless tears have filled your earth My skin bruised, flushed and scathed My laughter has resonated in your atmosphere My inspiration and all my fears Samoa, how can I thank thee? I'll fight for you I'll live in poverty too I'll carry your name to lands far and beyond Yet it still cannot compare To the magnificence that you continuously bare Samoa I am indebted to your land forever, To the world, I'll make sure your beauty I will 34

One of our parents, Henrietta Ah Chong who shared a poem she wrote about Samoa.



RESPECT WHANAUNGATANGA EXCELLENCE

Parent Election Notice

SIR EDMUND HILLARY COLLEGIATE JUNIOR SCHOOL

Board of Trustees' Elections **Declaration of Parent Elections** Results

the number of valid nominations was greater than the number of vacancies required to be filled. I hereby declare a voting election will take place for the following

Matekuolava Tapaita Tanielu Aiga Fononga Malia Autagavaia Va'aiga

Voting papers will be posted out by Thursday 30 May.

SIR EDMUND HILLARY COLLEGIATE MIDDLE SCHOOL Board of Trustees' Elections Declaration of Parent Elections Results

At the close of nominations, as At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled. I hereby declare the following duly elected:

> Amerika Tua Salesa Damon

A written notice of this NON-**VOTING ELECTION will be** provided to the board.

SIR EDMUND HILLARY COLLEGIATE JUNIOR SCHOOL

Board of Trustees' Elections Declaration of Parent Elections Results

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was greater than the number of vacancies required to be filled. I hereby declare a voting election will take place for the following nominees:

Tepora Tupua Kelsall Debbie Leuamuli Faatusa Su'a Vaeagi Manapori Tupou Taufa Mele Togi Skipper Karen

Voting papaers will be posted out by Thursday 30 May

This message was prepared by the Returning Officer, Lucy Lemusa

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