

Wednesday 13 November 2019

Dear Parents/Whanau,



School App

Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate is now on SchoolApps. You can find SchoolApps in the App centre and then just look up Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate. We will use this App alongside our website to give you information and updates about what is happening in the Collegiate. You are also able to notify us if your child will be absent from school too. We hope the app will help make it easier for you to keep in contact with us and for us to keep you aware of all that is happening at School.

Heads up on some upcoming dates:

- **Swimming – ongoing now**
- **APPA Festival which is being held on Wednesday 13 November**
- **Patrol training Thursday 14 November- our next group of young leaders getting into gear.**
- **Class photos Friday 15 November. Full uniform & everyone looking sharp please** 
- **Year 1 & 2 English Speech competitions Wednesday 20 November in Room 20**
- **Have a go day (sports fun day) Friday 22 November**
- **Sistema End of year concert 27 November**
- **Athletics Day - Yr3-Yr6 Tuesday 19 November**
- **Yr1-2 Wednesday 27 November on the Junior School fields**
- **Yr 6 Graduation which is being held on Thursday 5 December**

- **Lumanai Christmas celebration which is being held on Friday 6 December**
- **Maori Academic Awards Evening which is being held on Monday 9 December**
- **Te Waka Ora Whanau Day at Otara Pools Wednesday 11 December**

The Arts: APPA Choir

Well tonight is the night. Our choir has been practicing all year and is excited to be on stage. Family and friends are welcome to come and watch. If you don't have tickets, tickets will be available for purchase at Town Hall for \$17. A reminder that your son/daughter needs to be back at school by 5.30pm for a final rehearsal before they go on the bus to town. If you aren't going to the concert, the bus will be returning back to School around 10pm. Please make sure there is an adult there to pick your child up and take them home. We wish the choir well for their performance. See you there tonight.



Sistema

The end of year **Sistema concert** is being held on **Wednesday 28th November** at 5.30pm in the Vodafone Events Center. For this event all our tamariki involved will remain at school, given a meal and then buses will take them to the Events Centre. After the concert you need to pick up your child and take them home. This promises to be a wonderful event with **nearly 100 pupils** from the Junior School taking part. My congratulations to all parents who are



supporting their son or daughter in the Sistema programme.

Health & Safety: Travelwise Silver Award

Last week Ms Caruana took our Travelwise Team to the Auckland Travelwise Celebration event. Our team received a Silver Award for what we are doing in promoting safety messages and walking to school. Below are a couple of thoughts from two of our team leaders Lavenea Mati and Valu Hiko about the day:

We went to a carnival that was held at Spark Arena! We did a scavenger hunt and had to crack the riddles. We also sat in a police car. Thanks travelwise for the opportunity.
By Lavenea Mati



At the Travelwise carnival we got free ice cream. There were heaps of activities like code cracking. We also won a silver certificate!
By Valu Hiko



Year 13 Graduation

Last week marked the end of School days for our Yr13 students. I'm sure you join with me in congratulating all our prize winners and in particular **Dux: Melleza Hodge and**



Proxime Accessit: Viiga Alapati. As our Seniors celebrated and reflected, there were glimpses of the next stage of their journey. I'm sure you join with me in wishing them every success in life.

Enrolments 2019

It's hard to believe that the end of the year is coming up so fast. If you have a child who is about to turn 5yrs old, it is certainly time that you come and see us. Enrolment forms are available at the school office. The lovely ladies in reception will be more than pleased to help. As an additional support to start your child off on the right foot we are offering **Free stationery for all Year One pupils. Also for New Year 1 students who start during the year - uniform vouchers to the value of \$100 only.** Hopefully this should make it an easy and a zero cost start up for your child as they begin their learning pathway at the Collegiate.

Junior Award

The hardest working pupils this week are Isabella Lotutamaiti: for hard work and excellent effort in Reading and Spelling. Markarios Malolua for hard work and great progress in Writing and Maths. Our congratulations to these hard working students.

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.....

