

Wednesday 16 October 2019

Dear Parents/Whanau,

Welcome back to Term 4 ☺



Measles

There are now over 1500 cases of measles in New Zealand and it is mostly in the South Auckland area. The most important thing to do in combating and preventing this disease from spreading is to have your child immunized. If you child has had all their baby shots they are fine. If your child has not been vaccinated then they are at risk of getting measles and this can make them very sick.

At the moment the Collegiate does not have measles but if measles is reported at school then any child who has not been vaccinated will be sent home. We hope that this does not happen.

We are trying to contact you if our records show that we do not have your child's vaccination certificates. If you are not sure about whether or not your son or daughter has had their baby shots, I strongly recommend you see your Doctor and check and get your child vaccinated if they haven't been already.

School App:

As a new way to inform the School of your child's absence, you can now download the School App. Search for Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate & notify your child's absence via txt. More information on the School App will be sent home later.



Celebrating Niuean Week:

On Monday 21st October, we will have the flag raising at 10am. Can all our beautiful

Niuean students please come dressed in their island outfits. Also, there will be Niuean activities for our students throughout the week.



Bike safety lessons for Yr 5 & 6 Term 4

Road safety today is a serious concern. Our roads are busier than ever so if your son or daughter does have a bike I would strongly recommend them to ride only in their local neighbourhood. The main roads are just too dangerous. The other thing I would strongly recommend (and is the law) is that they wear a helmet.



Zone Speech Competition Yr 5 & 6 success!

Our congratulations to the following pupils who did so well in their Zone final. It's hard speaking in front of your classmates but it's even harder to stand up and speak up to a huge hall full of strangers, but our tamariki were up to the task.



Year 5

2nd Cecilia Schwenke

3rd Mere Strickland

Year 6

2nd Rita Mahe

Year 3 & 4 English Speech competitions

Not to be outdone we held our Yr 3 & 4 speech competitions in the last week of term. What an amazing challenge this was for our tamariki. To be brave, speak up and give it their very best efforts. Well done!

Year 3

1st Abigail Toeava

2nd Cee-Jae Jackson

3rd Kaitlin Tatolu

Year 4

1st Veyron Beazley

2nd Karley Masina

3rd Alapeta Faau

APPA Choir

Our next massed choir rehearsal is on Wednesday 23rd October at Remuera Intermediate. Permission slips will be sent home shortly.

Community Consultation Health & Well-being: Puberty

It amazes me how time races by. One of the most obvious ways it shows is in seeing your child grow. It can seem like they are little one day, but when you look again they are up to your shoulder and growing taller! This is particularly so when your child is around 10yrs old. To help them get ready for the changes that getting older brings, this term our Senior Syndicate will be running a series of lessons on Hygiene, Exercise and Body Changes associated with puberty. There will be a parents' information session on Thursday 24 October in the Yellow pod for those who would like to hear about the programme.

A letter with full details will be sent home shortly.



Labour Day

A reminder that Monday 28th October is Labour Day and a public holiday so there is no school. School will recommence on Tuesday 29th October at 8.45am

Junior Award

The hardest working pupils this week are from Rm10: Cee-Jae Jackson for applying our Collegiate Values in class. Also, Cerise Tamanui-Pasene for showing respect to teachers and peers. Well done to both these students!

Upcoming Events:

- 21st Oct to 25th Oct - Niue Week
- 28th Oct - Labour Weekend (COLLEGIATE CLOSED)
- Week 3 - Swimming starts for Yrs3-6
- 6th Nov - FREE Duffy Theatre Show
- 13th Nov - APPA Choir Festival at Auckland Town Hall
- 19th Nov - Yrs3-6 Athletics
- 27th Nov - Yrs 1-2 Athletics
- 5th Dec - Yr6 GRADUATION
- 6th Dec - Lumanai Celebration

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.....