

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

Dear Parents/Whanau,

**Lock Down Drill**

As you know the Collegiate conducted a Lock Down exercise. This is what we would do in an emergency and we have to stay inside the school buildings. To let you know about the drill we sent a letter home yesterday. In a real emergency we would use the school website, our electronic sign and the Collegiate's new app which has gone active this year to inform you of what is happening.

**School App: Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate**

SchoolApps can be downloaded from the App centre and then you search for Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate and select us.

**Swimming Term 4**

A reminder that our swimming programme starts in week 4 and your child needs to have their permission form signed and returned as soon as possible. This round of swimming is for pupils in years 3-6. We are also grateful to the Find your Field of Dreams Foundation for their support.



**Heads up on some upcoming dates.**

- Yr3 - Yr6 Swimming: 31<sup>st</sup> Oct
- Duffy Show: 6<sup>th</sup> November
- APPA Festival: 13<sup>th</sup> Nov at Auckland Town Hall

- Patrol training: 14<sup>th</sup> November - our next group of young leaders getting ready for next year.
- Class photos: 15<sup>th</sup> Nov, Full uniform & everyone looking sharp please
- Yr3 – Yr6 Athletics: 19<sup>th</sup> Nov
- Year 1 & 2 Speech Competition: 20<sup>th</sup> Nov
- Have a go day (sports fun day) 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov
- Sistema End of year concert 27<sup>th</sup> Nov
- Yr1-2 Athletics: 27<sup>th</sup> Nov on the Junior School fields

**Yr 1 & 2 Speech competition - Be your best – Wednesday 20 November in Rm20**

Our Junior Syndicates focus in Term 4 is to 'Be Your Best'. The goal is to develop and build our tamariki's confidence and persevere to achieve.

**Each child will be presenting a speech in Week 5. The speech can be on a self-selected topic that is no longer than 2 minutes.**

Please discuss with your child about possible topics e.g. Who am I, a favourite person, favourite hobbies, talent etc. Please note that your child will need to research some factual information to support their speech. Please help your child to practise their speech.

Students can use cue cards, props or dress up, display charts when presenting

their speech. This event will not be judged. Thank you for your ongoing support. Junior Syndicate

**APPA Choir**

Our APPA concert night is now just around the corner **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Nov**. This is going to be a marvelous evening in the Town Hall for our tamariki. The bus will leave school at 6pm and return to school around 9.30pm. A separate letter with all information has been sent home.

**Health & Safety: Guy Fawkes 5<sup>th</sup> November**

I enjoy fireworks but they do require adult supervision and a great deal of care. Every year children suffer needless burns and there is always property damage.



You must be **18 years and over** to buy fireworks. **Fireworks are totally banned from school!** For every one of our Juniors it is illegal for them to buy fireworks. Children are not allowed to buy fireworks and shops selling them to under age children are committing an offence and could be prosecuted. We as parents may also be held to account for any damage that our children may cause. Fireworks can be a marvelous treat but the reality of burns and damage is always there. Please supervise your children closely if you are celebrating Guy Fawkes at home this year.

**All Blacks loss**

It was a hard game against the England last weekend and as much as I wanted our team to win I have to say the English were the better team on the day. It is hard when you lose but there are two things we need to remember: they are our boys and they ran their hearts out. The second thing to remember is success is getting up one more time than you fall. (Sounds a bit like life really.) We will be back. Count on it. Kia Kaha!



**Junior Award**

The hardest working pupils this week are both from Room 5: Dayton Rimunui-Fuatimu for improving in his Reading and showing positive attitude towards learning. Emma Wiparata-Andrew always trying her best in all areas of learning & being a great role model to others. Well done to both these 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.....