



SCHOOL BULLETIN

SEPTEMBER

Last week of the term next week before our Term 3 holidays begin.

Next week we will holding some activities for our students focused on Wellbeing. This is connected to the work the students have been doing in class on Health and wellbeing. The program is as follows:

TUESDAY

Amazing race for pods



WEDNESDAY

Class competition Tug o War



THURSDAY

Tabloids



FRIDAY

Crazy hat day

This is the last day of the term as well



CHECK OUT

Middle School's Facebook page. We are continually updating this page with the many exciting programs and event our students are taking part in. Our most recent event was celebrating

Tongan Language Week and Our Virtual Art Exhibition

On your smartphone, computer or tablet go to our Facebook site:



Search: *Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate Middle School*

To find out more go directly to our YouTube channel:

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ATTENDANCE

Over this term we have had a the disruption of a second lockdown with COVID19. this has unsettled our students and their whanau.

Even with this we have managed to return to a fairly reasonable attendance rate. We usually are around 84%.

Our percentage is down but across the Otago community we are doing pretty good.

We all know that for our students to make the learning progress they need to, they need to be in school learning. Below is our attendance since returning to school:

WEEKLY	AVERAGE PERCENTAGE FOR THE WEEK
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7	41.4%
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8	60.3%
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9	70%
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What we have noticed is that we have had 78% of all our students back to school since our second lockdown but we are now struggling to have students complete a full week of school.

We are hoping that at the beginning of Term 4 our attendance average rate will back to normal, sitting at 80-84%. Lets all work together to get everyone back to school for the whole week.

Thank you to all our parent s who have returned our students chromebooks from the lockdown, we only have a few to be returned.

WELCOME



We have a new teacher who has started with us this term. Her name is Ms Khan, but the students call her Ms Zarina. We would like to welcome her to our school and staff.

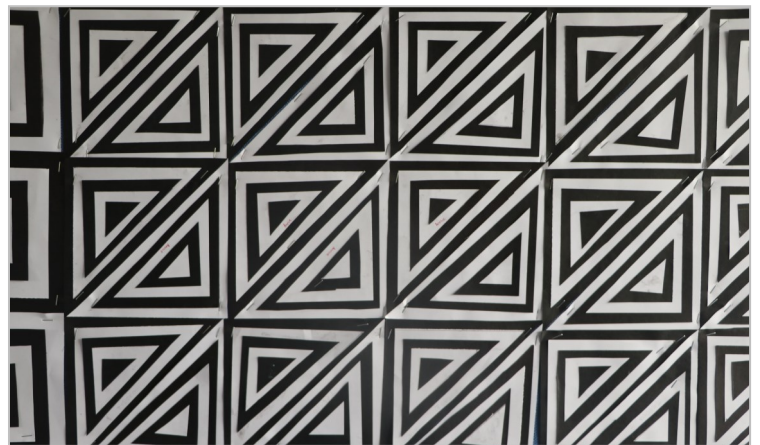
Ms Zarina has been working at an Early Childhood Centre but her teaching experience has been with Primary and Intermediate children.

She will be based in Room 7 where she will be working with students in small groups across the school in the curriculum area of Maths.

TONGAN LANGUAGE WEEK



RESPECT WHANAUNGATANGA EXCELLENCE



Last week we celebrated Tongan Language Week. This was a great celebration for our students to showcase their culture and for the rest of the students in our school to learn about another culture. We have posted more activities the students were involved with on our Middle School Facebook page which you can go and visit. Thank you to our whanau who allowed their students to bring along Tongan mats and craft items at home to share at school.

ART WORK COMPLETED DURING TONGAN LANGUAGE WEEK

