

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2021  
Rahoroi 19 Mei



Dear Parents/Whanau,

**Community Consultation: Covid-19 Alert Level. 1**

While our country continues to be one of the safest places in the world we still need to be vigilant and if you are sick with flu like symptoms stay at home and get yourself checked. With autumn now passing we will also soon start the beginning of winter and enter the cold and flu season. By keeping up our handwashing and safe hygiene practices we can protect ourselves from all viruses. So keep up the good work whanau.



**Pink Shirt Day** Join us on **Friday 21 May** as we Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop



Bullying! Celebrated around the globe, Pink Shirt Day works to create schools, workplaces, communities and whānau where everyone feels safe, valued and respected. Wear pink on this day with us!

**Trees for Survival: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

As part of a Collegiate wide environmental and conservation focus selected students from each of our three schools will be working together to re-generate/plant bush by the Otarā creek. The area around the Collegiate is quite beautiful but it needs a helping hand to put the bush back in and restore it. Ms Tafea will be leading our



group. A letter will be sent home to those involved

**Himalayan Trust- Mufti day**

One of the countries that are doing it hard through Covid is Nepal. So far 447,704 people have caught Corvid and there have been nearly 5000 deaths. With such grave issues tourism and all mountain climbing has stopped so there is no money for Sherpas and tourist dependent businesses. The Collegiate has a special link with Nepal as this is the place where Sir Ed our founder climbed Everest and poured out so much of his life. Sr Ed had a strong passion for helping the



Nepalese people with building hospitals and schools. To honour this ongoing relationship and support the people of Nepal we will hold a **mufti day for a gold coin donation on**

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May.** All funds raised will go to the Himalayan Trust.

**Samoa Independence Day**



This year the Collegiate is celebrating **Samoa Independence Day on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June** with a parade starting from the Junior School netball courts moving to the main flagpole as we Salute the Flag. We will hold an assembly after the flag raising service with cultural items starting at 10am in the main hall. Sounds like a lot of fun. Fa'afetai.

**Sistema Year 2**

As you know we have Sistema music programmes in school. Lessons for the New Year 2 intake have started and they will be held in the Junior School. Later on, after school practices are required and these will be held at the Otarā Music and Arts centre or OMAC which is up by the Otarā Library. The opportunity to learn to play the violin, cello is huge and **it's all free**. Normally this would cost thousands of dollars. The research on Sistema states that apart from learning a musical instrument the benefits to a child's learning overall are huge. For further information contact **Ms Ainoa**.



**Health & Safety: Girls' self-defense course**

Next week our Middle syndicate will be starting a girls' self-defense course. The aim of the course is to give our girls a greater

sense of self esteem and knowing ways to stay safe and speak up for themselves. A letter with full details has been sent out to those involved.



**APPA choir**

It's that time of year again when our choir goes into gear and starts preparing for the APPA Choral festival which is held in Term IV. This is a great opportunity for our tamariki to perform at the highest levels in the Auckland Town Hall. If your child would



like to be part of this, please encourage them to see Ms Ainoa our choir trainer.

**Winter Sports: League**

On Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June at Ngati Otarā Park our teams go into action again in their zone competition. We are taking our league practices to another level this year and we will be **holding after School practices**. Permission forms have been sent home to those involved. (**Netball is being held later in the season**)

**Junior Award**

Hardest working pupils this week are: Ruth Loi for being a consistent maths student & Jeremiah Falefa for excellent work ethics.

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.....

