



**Welcome to all new students and families—we hope you settle into your new class and make many new friends, welcome to** Faatui Tuiavii, William Thlang, Ashlyn Saroay, Raiden Salima-Viliamu, Makhyza Panama, Tram Nguyen, Ayva Lemi, Chansalina Leap, Aneeq Khan, Jayden Kaveriri, Shizhe Huang, Liam Gear, Kezaia and Harithyos Fisitule-Hiligutu, Vilai Collins, Pranav Chandra, Shyna, Nivish and Pranav Chand, Isabella Bates, Anuilagi Tusa, Hemi Tamaki, Sariyah Simeki, Bharavi and Arush Prasad, Hendrix-Jordan Moeara, Robert, Elias and Alyssa Laban, Kylie Grant, Taniela Baleinaikasakasa, Teuina Raniga, Faith Musgrove, Raynav Maharaj, Sia Liu, Teara Bhatti, Monson Amituanai, Omar and Mahmoud Al Hussin Al Rammo, Siokapesi Halaokoua, Shireiah Anae Feulufai, Anaya Chand, Siokapesi Halatokoua, Lesieli Leavea, Hawkins-Jack Cecil Mahani, Avya Te Nahu-Multani, Tevita Pongi, Judah Taviliniu-Vemoa.



**1 March 2021**

New Staff

NZ Opera

2021 Staff and classes

Start of Year reminders

Covid update

SchoolStream App

**PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES THURSDAY 4 March**  
School will close at 2pm  
Please make an appointment to see your child's teacher

**EASTER HOLIDAYS 2-6 April**

Term 1 ends 16 April

ANZAC DAY OBSERVED 26 April (in school holidays)

Term 2 starts 3 May

**NEW STAFF**

Welcome to our new staff. It has been possible once again to secure talented and highly qualified teachers to ensure that we are fully staffed for 2021. *Welcome!!!*

Front from left : Mrs Hayley Hokianga, Miss Frankie Stevenson, Miss Nikita Nagel, Mr Daniel Scott, Miss Felicia Slattery, Miss Rebecca Hewitt and Miss Cassie Strydom.

Back from left : Mrs Valerie Ramsay, Miss Shannon Seel, Miss Ellen Stewart, Miss Selena Gordon, Miss Georgie Briggs and Miss Rania Dean.



**NZ OPERA IN SCHOOLS**

Enterprise Pod were treated to the adaptation of Donizetti's Don Pasquale by the Opera in Schools Company. They are travelling around NZ schools. Devised for primary and intermediate school level this is an hour-long programme sees the team from NZ Opera visit schools around the country. This was an opportunity for the students to experience music in a different format with a modern theme. The excerpt was performed with 4 singers and a pianist. Costumes and props were kept to a minimum and displayed multi-purposes. All students were given a comprehensive resource pack with fun learning resources.



# STAFF AND CLASSES 2021

Jane Milner	Principal
Donna Leaning	Deputy Principal Junior
Danielle Aubin	Associate Principal Junior

## APOLLO Year 1

A1	Valerie Ramsay
A2	Shannon Seel
A3	Georgina Briggs

## DISCOVERY Year 1/2

D1	Sarita Harakh
D2	Frankie Stevenson
D3	Rebecca Hewitt

## VOYAGER Year 2/3

V1	Zullaikha Karimi
V2	Cassandra Strydom
V3	Rania Dean

## CHALLENGER Year 3/4

C1	Katherine Smith
C2	Laura Holt
C3	Hayley Hokianga

Aida Marquez	Deputy Principal Middle
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## EXPLORER Year 5

X1	Selena Gordon
X2	Andrew Keegan
X3	Ellen Stewart

## EXPLORER Year 6

X4	Felicia Slattery
X5	Esther McCoskrie
X6	Daniel Scott

Charl Dreyer	Deputy Principal Senior
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Amy Vaega	Associate Principal Senior
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## ENTERPRISE Year 7/8

N1	Sandy Toiu
N2	Amy Vaega
N3	Talai Talimalo
N4	Liesl Midgley
N5	Nikita Nagel
N6	Heydon Hohaia

## Teaching Staff

Martin Ball	Lyn Gordon
Margaret Hogg	Martin Venter
Charlotte Maumea	Wasan Leidh
Julia Harkness	Matt Cathro
Leigh Ann Forwood	Amanda McKinley

# COVID UPDATE

Welcome to "Bubble School" We have unfortunately had to return to Alert Level 3 this week. We are very keen to keep learning at home ongoing but would like to add that we don't want to add stress to families and whānau. We have therefore developed learning Grids for the Junior/Middle and Senior School. Parents/Whānau can look at the Grid and read the activity out to the children rather than everything being on devices. We are very well aware it is not possible for every family member to be online! The Grids contain 16 different activities incorporating Maths, Reading and Writing and can be completed in any order. A new Grid will be posted each week that school is not open. The Grids will be posted on our website, Facebook and Seesaw for everyone to access. Home Learning packs are also available by contacting the school on 09 2639060 and booking a contactless pick up time. Please note: any child who cant be supervised at home by an appropriate person, is able to attend school. Distance learning is available for children who can learn from home, for those required to self isolate and for those who health authorities have asked to stay away while waiting for test results.

Please remember if you or your whānau need any support or assistance please contact the school and we will do our best to help.

## START OF YEAR REMINDERS:

### SCHOOL HOURS

A reminder that school is open from 8.20am until 3pm. Whilst the gates are open before these times we ask that parents do not drop their children off to school any earlier. Staff are not available to supervise children or monitor their safety. Year 6-8 children are allowed at school earlier, at 8am if they are training for sports tournaments or on road patrol duty.

### SCHOOL LUNCHES

We are still waiting to hear from the Ministry regarding the introduction of the free lunch scheme, we will keep you informed.

### CELLPHONES

Cellphones are not permitted at school. This is to avoid breaches of privacy, interruption of school lessons, cyber bullying and theft. Students bringing cellphones will be required to hand it in to the office for parents to collect from school. In the event of an emergency, family can contact the school on 2639060.

### UNIFORM & STATIONERY

All items can be purchased from the school office as a convenience for parents. Please note, sunhats are critical at this time of the year and are part of our sun smart safety policy. Thank you for your support.

### HAND WASHING AT SCHOOL

All bathroom areas have new signage to remind students to wash their hands thoroughly and flush toilets after use. We would appreciate it if you could emphasize this at home to encourage good habits. *Thank you.*

## APP FOR PARENTS

Last week we launched a free app for parents called School Stream. It enables parents at no cost, to advise the school of student absences, changes of family details, and to fill out forms. School can also alert parents to notices and information which comes straight to your mobile. It also has a translation feature meaning that families can set it to their own language to assist with communication. We hope that all families will download and use the app. The details how to install the app are below. But please don't hesitate to contact the office if you need some assistance or have questions regarding School Stream.



**Download our school app for free!**

**Why download the app?**

- Receive instant notifications for important news.
- Easily register absentees and excursions.
- Keep up to date with events and set reminders.

**Download instructions:**

- Go to the App Store and download "School Stream" to your phone.
- Open the app and type the school's name into the search bar to load the school's profile.
- Make sure you agree to Push Notifications when prompted.

**Term One**  
2 February -  
16 April

**Term Two**  
3 May—9 July

**Term Three**  
26 July—1 October

**Term Four**  
18 Oct -  
14 December

Jane Milner, Principal