



# NEWSLETTER

**Welcome to all new students and families—we hope you settle into your new class and make many new friends:** Kaleo Kimi, Ma'ukuohela Po'ese, Rhiannon Phan, Ryan, Katie and Sam Le, Yuvraj Boparai, Mehtabjit Bhatti, Ngan Nhan, Versaeus-Lane Ina-Mata, Ivan Wei, Kayla Lockie, Lovernity Atera, Danish Pabello, Leilani Fonoheima, Paula, Katherine and Inoke Kata, Sione Palelel, Ariya Gilbert and Yu-Ling Krie.

## CHOCOLATE WORKSHOP

This term the year 7 and 8 students are learning all about chocolate, its origin, history and how it has been used and gifted over the years. This week Enterprise students had the opportunity to work with "Chocolatiers" who visited our school. Everyone was very surprised to learn that chocolate is made up of many different types of crystals that melt at different temperatures. This is the reason that chocolate is melted very carefully through a process called 'tempering'. We saw how chocolate can be molded into many different things such as chocolate bars. We then worked with the tempered chocolate to create chocolate bowls using a blown balloon technique. Next, we made chocolate crispy treats to put in our chocolate bowls when they were set. What a deliciously good day we all had!



**7 November 2019**

Chocolate

Botanical Gardens trip

Swimming

Sailing

Christmas in the Library

Athletics

Cricket

BOT Members



## BOTANICAL GARDENS TRIP FOR JUNIOR SCHOOL

On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> the Junior School were excited to explore The Auckland Botanic Gardens as a motivation for this term's theme 'Our Natural World'

The Educators at the Botanic Gardens taught us about the parts of a tree and the jobs they do. We dramatised the roles of the heart and sap woods, the bark and the roots and then worked together to become a living tree. We were introduced to the unique features of three of our native trees, the Puriri, Totara

and Pohutukawa. When we weren't with the Educators, we had the opportunity to discover the great range of life forms to be found in the gardens. Armed only with cameras each group went on a Scavenger Hunt! We had to find many items including spiky plants, herbs, birds and creepy crawlies. Our photos were amazing! Thank you to The Garden's Educators and to the parents who accompanied us on our visit.



## What's On?

**14 Nov** OOOZ Ballot closes

**28 Nov** Christmas in the Playground

**12 Dec** Last Day Term 4 2pm closing

## SWIMMING

Wednesdays and Fridays are the "best days" for the middle school as we head off to the Papatoetoe Centennial pools for free swimming lessons, sponsored by the Sir John Walker Foundation Find Your Field of Dreams. The thirty minute lessons are conducted by qualified instructors. Our students are really enjoying splashing, floating, dunking and



kicking their way across the training pool. Parents are welcome to meet us at the pools to watch their child's lesson.

## SAILING

In Week 1, the year 7 students from Enterprise 5 took to the sea to learn how to sail. Each group spent a whole day at Howick Beach learning the basics of sailing. The students were provided with a fun,



safe day on the water which focused on water safety and building confidence in and around the water. They learnt the importance of wearing life jackets, how to fit them correctly, rigging, parts of a boat and the basic skills of how to make a boat sail. The students were faced with some challenging winds which put their skills to the test when capsizing their boat. It was very exciting to be sailing in the water while Team New Zealand were practicing for the America's Cup right behind us! This was a fantastic opportunity for all the students and definitely brought them all the thrills and spills of sailing.



## MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS

On Tuesday 29th October, an athletics day was held for the middle school students. The students participated in a range of fun activities such as three legged races, egg and spoon and sack races. They also learnt new skills in discus, shot put, high jump, 100m sprints and team relays. The day concluded with a teacher versus student relay race which was narrowly won by the teachers. It was a great day, full of enthusiasm and smiles. Thank you to the parents for your support. We hope you enjoyed the morning with us.



## AUCKLAND CRICKET

On Monday 4th November, Auckland Cricket coaches Joseph and Cassey visited Challenger Pod to coach cricket. The students were all presented with a free cricket bat and ball which they were allowed to decorate. Students were then taught a variety of skills and followed up with games. We are very grateful to Auckland Cricket for their kind sponsorship and generosity.

## CHRISTMAS IN THE LIBRARY

Our library has been transformed into a Christmas wonderland this term. We decided to get into the Christmas spirit early to allow all our students to enjoy and celebrate this magical time of year. Our library is filled with Christmas books and displays. The squeals of delight and faces filled with joy and excitement as students from all areas of the school stepped into the library this week, has been a delight to see. We know that our students will continue to enjoy reading many books this term in our Christmas wonderland.



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES 2019-2020

We are delighted to finally announce our new Board of Trustees for the following 3 years. Mr Chas Ziegler, Mr Luis Iosefa, Mr Ashwin Prasad and Mr John Fale have all been re-elected to the Board. Mr Barry Maxwell has been co-opted for his experience in Property Management for the next term. We welcome two new Board members Mr Robert Ah Chong and Mrs Lorraine Dadd who both bring enthusiasm and expertise to our Board. Miss Donna Leaning is the elected Staff Trustee to also join the Board. Congratulations to everyone we know you will serve our school well.

**SCHOOL CANTEEN WILL BE CLOSING ON WEDNESDAY 11TH DECEMBER. PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD BRINGS SOME LUNCH FROM HOME ON THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL, THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER**

## END OF YEAR - SCHOOL CLOSING

The last day of school for this year will be on

**Thursday 12 DECEMBER - we will be closing at 2pm**

## OUT OF ZONE BALLOT

An Out of Zone ballot is in process at the moment. If you have friends or family living out of zone and they would like to apply for a place at Redoubt North please advise them to visit the office to complete an application. The Out of Zone ballot for students Year 1 only will close on Thursday 14 November 2019 at midday. If necessary the ballot will be held on 15 November with all children being eligible to start in Term 1 2020.

**The closing date for Out of Zone enrolments will be 14 November 2020.**

**All documentation must be completed at the time of enrolment.**

**ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ELIGIBLE AND ABLE TO START**

**in Term 1 2020 (before 9 April 2019)**

## INTERMEDIATE 2020

A reminder that Intermediate uniform orders are now being processed for 2020. **All Intermediate uniforms MUST be ordered and paid in full by November 29 to ensure that your child has uniform to start 2020.**

If you have any queries about this please do not hesitate to contact the office. If your child is not returning to Redoubt North for Intermediate we would appreciate notification of which school they will be attending as soon as possible.

Term 4  
14 Oct - 12 Dec

Term 1 2020  
28 Jan - 9 April

Term 2 2020  
28 April - 3 July

Term 3 2020  
20 July - 25 Sept

Jane Milner  
Principal