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**ROSEHILL SCHOOL**  
Acceptance, Achievement, A change of Attitude  
Te tautoko Te panehira, me te wairua

Date: 14 June 2018

Kia ora, Talofa lava, Bula Vinaka, Malo e lelei, Kia Orana, Choum reap sor,

Welcome to our newest support staff, Barry. Welcome back to Alli Trood who is returning from maternity leave. Alli will be covering a position at Redhill until the end of term 2.

Farewell and best wishes to Karen Forrest our Speech and Language Therapist who is moving out of the Auckland area.

Mid Year reports: Some classes have been trialing our new Personalised Learning Plans. For these classes their mid year report will look very different. You will get information on how your child is progressing towards learning goals across the curriculum. Any feedback is welcome.

Students on the existing IEP system will get our usual report towards IEP goals.

Our new classes at Hingaia School and The Gardens school are progressing and we are looking at Term 3 opening. If your child is moving to our new classes you will be notified soon. Families and whānau will have the opportunity to visit.

Everyone is about to start working on our Matariki topic. Teachers have been busy sharing ideas so students will have lots of interesting learning opportunities. They will be exploring the ideas behind Matariki and showing their understanding in lots of creative ways.

Next term is our big whole school Arts theme. This year it is 'Trash to Treasure'. This fits in nicely with our new environmental focus. We are in the early stages of planning for this, however expect to hear more over the coming term.

Gill Hedley, Principal

### **Powhiri—Thursday 10 May**

Rosehill students from Papakura High, James Cook High and Te Ara Poutama, embracing tikanga Māori, leading the pōwhiri at the beginning of the term for all new students and staff.

The opening karanga delivered by Judith Boynton, was watched closely by Shanaia Brown and Mele Lousiale who stood behind her, in the hope that one day they too will be ready to take on such an important role. The haka pōwhiri was proudly led by Karaia Peters from Papakura High with strong support and backing vocals from staff and students. Emile Va'afusuanga, on behalf of the manuhiri, acknowledged the proceedings with a passionate reply in Samoan and the formal proceedings concluded with a delicious spread. While our visitors ate, Papakura High, James Cook High and Te Ara Poutama used the opportunity to perform for Base students and staff who were present and were entertained by solo performances from Waru Kingi and Shanaia Brown.



### **New Staff Profile:**

#### **Ashley Tofa, Visual Arts Teacher**



Talofa lava Rosehill Community.

My name is Ash and I have come to Rosehill as the new Visual Arts Specialist teacher. Straight after high school I attended Elam School of Fine Arts part of The University of Auckland where I graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts with Honours.

Last year I worked towards a Graduate Diploma in Teaching (Secondary) which I graduated with in May. As well as working as the Visual Arts Teacher this year, I am studying a Master of Fine Arts part time.

I am the first in my family to graduate at University and hold a tertiary qualification which is something I am very proud of. Mentoring within the University, specifically with Maori and Pasifika Fine Arts students I have taught and been taught through strong student - teacher relationships. My role as an educator is to inspire, encourage and support students learning through the Arts. Creating a safe environment where a student feels safe to express themselves. I believe students have the potential to be great, given through love, support and praise from teachers. In my first few days at

Rosehill I have been showered with so much aroha from the staff especially the students. I feel at home here. I am privileged to be a part of Rosehill School and look forward to working/meeting everyone very soon.

Ia Manuia , Ash

## Sharing our learning.....

### Redhill Rua's Bug Hotel

Ruaumoko Rua is learning about amazing bugs and their habitats this term.

They decided to create their own bug hotel to encourage bug "guests" to enquire within and stay for a while so they could study them!

To build their bug hotel, they used a drill, hammer, paintbrushes and a saw. They worked together and took turns with each tool.

Their favourite tool was the saw. They enjoyed using their gross motor body movement to move the saw up and down safely.

Once their building project was finished, they invited Ruaumoko Tahi to come and take a look.

Each day they will check our bug hotel to see who has moved in.



This is a mural that Kereru Park 6 have been working on in relation to our Living World topic of Bugs. The students made all the individual items for the garden during sensory/visual arts sessions. Ideas inspired and displayed by our wonderfully creative Judith Boynton.

Our James Cook 2 and Greenmeadows 16 Satellite classes joined in on Pink shirt day on Friday 18 May.



Our Manurewa South classes are having hours of fun watching chicks hatch and learning how to take care of them.

They are learning the life cycle of chickens. We can't think of a better way for children to learn all about chicks and oviparous animals than by giving them the opportunity to experience chicks hatching right before their very own eyes!



### Room 2—Base School

Room 2 recently had a community outing to Totara Park. The class had a number of short visits to Totara Park to help them adapt and transition into a new environment before the day of their outing.

For some students, this was a new experience but sure enough, they had a blast.

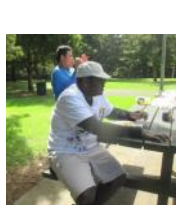
Jason, Lockie, Tama, Zane, Muriwai, Karmichael and Jack were thrilled with the outing. For shared lunch they enjoyed hot chips and chicken, which was a definite highlight.

They gathered around the table to say a karakia and got stuck into the kai.

Everyone enjoyed the tranquil, country atmosphere and relaxed and unwound amongst the superb flora and fauna. Those in a more active mood played ball games.

Our students loved the adventure playground located next to the picnic area.

They had a great time climbing up and down the ropes.



Our Manurewa South Satellite class had a bit of fun using some of their Occupational Therapy skills. They had races to beat each other at putting the 'socks' on, then counting who got the most. Of course these boys had to have a ninja photo at the end!



Our James Cook 2 satellite class spent a morning painting another Chorus Box on behalf of the Papakura Business Association. They have done an amazing job!



Room 4 at Base had a Fire Truck from Papakura visit Base on Thursday 31st May. This visit was part of an Oral Language Unit about keeping safe if a fire happens. The students have discussed escape routes, how to escape, fire alarms, what firemen wear, what a fire truck does and how to ring 111 in an emergency situation. The students enjoyed the hands on experience of looking up close at a fire truck and asked lots of really good questions. Thanks to the Papakura Fire Brigade for coming to visit!



We would like to say a very big Thank you to Anita Tou. Her son Liam is in D3, our Manurewa East satellite class. Anita organised some fund raising during Autism Awareness Month and raised well over \$1000 for equipment for our school. With it we bought a sensory light cube and tray as well as a few other items. Here are some photos of our children using the wonderful new equipment.



We have several tickets to Pinocchio. A show presented by Southern Stars Charitable Trust Ltd.

If you would like to take your children to this show, please contact the office for free tickets. We have tickets for 10am, 1pm and 4pm shows.

**Saturday 7 July**  
**Logan Campbell Centre, ASB Show Grounds, Greenlane**

Thank you Linda Hancock – from Caring and Sharing knitting group.

Linda is Mum to one of our support staff Elaine. Her knitting group have made and donated several hats, scarves and gloves to some of our students. We are very grateful as these are keeping our students nice and warm now the cooler weather has set in.



#### Paid Staff NZEI Meeting

A reminder: Teachers will be attending an NZEI meeting on 18 June and school will be closing early. Taxis will pick up your children from school between 1.15pm-1.30pm. Please be home to meet them at this time. If you collect your child from school, please pick them up between these times.

## **Individualised Funding (IF) Including Respite**

Presented by Lisa Martin, Disability Connect  
*Who Should Attend:*

The Ministry of Health Disability Support Services now include access to Respite (including Carer Support) under Individualised Funding, for eligible families. This creates new, flexible ways of taking a break. This seminar will explore all aspects of Individualised Funding including Respite.

If you are a disabled person, parent or guardian of a disabled person, you might want more choice about how services will be delivered, when they will be delivered and who will provide your government funded support. Individualised funding helps you;

- Employ the support staff you want in your life – people who understand your culture, priorities, preferences and lifestyle choices.
  - Set your own timetable so support staff come and go as you want, so you can build stronger relationships and enjoy a better social life.
  - Source flexible Respite care that best benefits your family (short stay, overnight stay, in-home, in-facility, etc).
  - Identify new sources of support.
- Take charge of who enters your life and reclaim your priorities.

## **South Auckland**

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June 7-9pm**

**Mt Richmond Special School, 30 Albion Road, Otahuhu**

## **Transition Expo 2018**

### **The progression from school to community life**

- free entry
  - plenty of parking
  - fully accessible venue
  - information pack given to each family
- cafe on premises

Hosted by Disability Connect & Ministry of Social Development (MSD)

When: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2018

Where: Auckland Netball Centre, 7 Allison Ferguson Drive, St Johns, Auckland (map link below)

Time: 9.00am – 2.00pm

Who can attend: Parents, teachers, care-givers, teacher aides.

Cost: Parents - Free of charge

***www.disabilityconnect.org.nz has a wealth of useful information and services available***

To enrol please contact Disability Connect:

Phone 636 0351

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## **Parent Support**

*Home visiting Service*

### **About Parent Support**

Parent Support is designed for parents who have at least one child in the home and who need coaching in parenting and household management. Our team of dedicated staff tailor the training to suit each family's specific circumstances and needs. They can also recommend other Iosis services and programmes, such as parenting programmes, social work and counselling, if required.

### **Length of Service**

Weekly visits, to a combined total of 15-30 hours.

### **Cost**

This service is free. Referrals

**Referrals** can be made by:

- ⇒ Self
- ⇒ Plunket Nurse
- ⇒ Doctors
- ⇒ School
- ⇒ Social Workers
- ⇒ Oranga Tamariki
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