



# ASDAH NEWSLETTER

CONNECTING OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Term 2 Issue 2

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Deuteronomy 31:6

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

*Commitment and Excellence*

*E hara taki toa  
I te toa take tahi  
Engari, he toa takitini*

*Success is not the work of one but the work of many*

Bula vinaka, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei and warm greetings to you all. It has been great to connect again and be back at school. The whole country has been on an interesting journey with COVID19 but in this time we have learnt a lot about ourselves and our ability to adapt, cope and embrace a new way of learning. I am very thankful for our staff and students who took up this challenge during the lock down and moved into the online learning space. While we had challenges, it was the 'can do' attitude of our community that got us through.

Now that we are in level 1, I want to assure you our parent and whanau community, that it is ok to send your children back to school. We have done all that we can to keep a high standard of hygiene and we remind students to be vigilant around good hygiene practices and cough etiquette. It is still very important to keep your child at home if they are unwell.

Post COVID19, learning at ASDAH has taken on a new hybrid form. We continue to offer online learning for students who are not well and remain at home. We also offer online learning for teachers who are not well, but can still teach from home. We have a classroom set up with a TV screen and wide angle camera which has been functioning successfully with a teacher teaching from home. We also continue to offer the face to face learning in our classrooms. We have chosen to move into this hybrid learning space to be responsive to the needs of our community. If you continue to worry about your child's progress, please come in and talk to us.

During level 2, we have focused solely on delivering classes. All other extra curricular activities were put on hold. With the country now at alert level 1, we will resume assemblies, chapels, sports, band practice and homework club.

### **Payment of Attendance Dues**

I would like to remind you that it is important that we keep up with the payment of our attendance dues. A very big thank you to the parents who have come in to make arrangements to pay their attendance dues for this year. We would like to encourage you to come in and see us if you haven't already done so. Our office staff are ready to help set up automatic payment options. If there is a genuine hardship that your family is facing, please come in and talk to us. We are here to work with you.

Once again, thank you for choosing ASDAH as the place to educate your child.

Finally, I would like to say a very big thank you to you our community. Your support has been great. As our whakatauki says, it is our working together that will bring success to all our students.

Thanks be to God  
Gloria Teulilo

Principal



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Thank you to all our parents who responded to our COVID 19 survey about your experiences, learning and suggestions about online/distance learning during the lockdown. Your valuable feedback into our children's learning has been discussed, analysed and is being used to inform our teaching and learning in these focus areas: Wellness, Digital Safety and Student Agency. We will continue to use the skills we have learnt from online/distance to ensure our students achieve success in their chosen pathways.

We look forward to working in partnership with you!

Lorraine Covenden

Deputy Principal: Teaching and Learning

## From the Health Centre

Since the return of students to school in level 2 the Health Centre has been extremely busy.

It is great that New Zealand pulled together and we are now at level one.

I am enjoying getting to know the year 9 students through their HEEADSSS assessments.

However, the Ministry of Health has informed us that we are still not able to swab for sore throats and any student coming to school with respiratory symptoms will be sent home.

I am available to answer any questions or concerns you may have at this time. My email is [nurse@asdah.school.nz](mailto:nurse@asdah.school.nz) or phone 275 9640 ext 703.

Joanne Longstaff

Registered Nurse

## PASTORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



**New Science Teacher:** We are very fortunate to welcome a very experienced teacher Mr Braganza from One Tree Hill High School. His area of expertise is in the teaching of Physics and Science to both our Junior and Senior students. He has joined us during Term 2 but due to Lockdown we were not able to welcome him officially. Welcome to ASDAH Mr Braganza.



**Teacher Aide:** We would like to welcome a new Teacher Aide Jordina Katu. She has been supporting our students this term, supporting our students in the classroom. Jordina has also offered to coach our Girls basketball team for 2020. We appreciate having her skills and young talent to inspire our students.



**School Reception and PA:** Mrs Kim Teao looks after the front office and is the personal assistant to the SLT. Thankyou Mrs Teao for coming to work at ASDAH. She has a beautiful smile, a quiet gentle nature and is happy to greet all our visitors, parents and students to the school. We pray that you will continue to be blessed in your service to ASDAH.



**Student Services:** Ms Hannah Andrew is our new Student Services Coordinator. She can be contacted by phone if your child is absent from school. She is always willing to help you and answer any questions you may have. Ms Andrew is also the Sports Coordinator and she can be contacted regarding the sports teams and events happening throughout the year at ASDAH. We would also like to welcome you to our ASDAH staff and thank you for the wonderful support you have given so far.

## CHAPLAINS

### Worship Resource

Pr Keli has created a worship/study video resource that he is happy to give students and families to use.

It is a 5-part series called, 'Jesus in real talk' – looking into the book of James.

Contact Pr Keli Pepa if you would like this resource.

### Home Visitations

The Chaplains had the privilege to visit a few families and students post lockdown. Thank you for welcoming our chaplains to your home and the time spent in conversation and prayer.

If you would like a chaplain visit the chaplains are more than happy to visit, chat and pray.

### Special Character Term Themes for 2020

This year the special character is 'Ownership'. This term we have been focussing on 'taking ownership of Spiritual Wellbeing'.

Term 1: Taking ownership of Physical Wellbeing

Term 2: Taking ownership of Spiritual Wellbeing

Term 3: Taking ownership of Mental Wellbeing

Term 4: Taking ownership of Social Wellbeing

### HOMEROOM DEVOTIONS

The Chaplains have prepared special devotions for teachers and students to use during homeroom for Term 1.

Each morning several bible texts have been given for the teacher to read and discuss with their homeroom the aspect of 'ownership' that it relates to – with particular emphasis this term on physical wellbeing.

## CHAPLAINS

### Be a Gamechanger-Love thy Neighbour

It was great to gather in Worship as a school. The Spirit led Worship was felt even deeper, considering what the nation has gone through.

Pastor Keli's message was relevant to these unprecedented times that we are facing. His question to the school was; How do we respond as people of faith to the events happening around us?

He encouraged our students to be brave and to know also that they have the opportunity to make changes in our world, and the challenge was given out to be a Gamechanger!

Gamechangers in the sense that we are people of faith, who are called to love our neighbours.

It is God's mandate for us. To love God with all of our hearts and to love our neighbours accordingly.

Pr Keli shared the story of the Good Samaritan. And the fact that Jesus desires for us to love those who are different to you.

He also shared an ADRA video clip promoting the "Love thy Neighbour" initiative. The importance of being kind to others in this climate of Corona Virus, racial tensions, Job loss, high stress levels and families in need. And providing food parcels and supermarket gift cards.

Here are two links Pr Keli showed below during Chapel.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3sWoDfxjePY>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VlbnaOV8Ehk>

## DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Introducing our School Prefects. A **Big Thankyou** to our school prefects who take an active role in supervision and support of our students at ASDAH. They are actively involved in our school programs, as mentors, leaders, during school chapel and assemblies. You are helping to Build our Nation as leaders.

Head Boy – Mervyn Smith

Deputy Head Boy – Jaden Eager

Head Girl – Fiona Lavaka

Deputy Head Girl – Ugatea Vea

### PREFECTS:

Alvina Lua	Amelia Esau	Seini Teupa	Tagi Rasmussen	Uheina Tafolo
Annthy Savieti	Jessica Ryan	Malia Maka	Colini Manu	Giovanni Manoa
Roki Pulini	Latu Makasini	Stephen Paea	Jedidiah Vinzon	Falasaina Vailii



**Auckland Seventh-Day Adventist High School - 2020**  
Prefects



## GUIDANCE

As a School Counsellor here at ASDAH, we provide a range of highly professional support services and programmes that are implemented individually, and as well as in small groups. There are therapy sessions with some of the students during skills period.

We also explore any difficulties and concerns students are facing, as they are fronting many issues, which affect them and their families. We work alongside families to support our students. Home visits are going well and to see the breakthrough and the reconnect between parents and their teenagers is a blessing. We also work closely with external agencies, to ensure families and students are able to access the resources available within our community.

As professionals, we work out from a client centred practice, using a variety of counselling methods in order to best support each client's needs and preferences. However, sometimes, we work with any model clients bring as it has an emotional element behind their own issues.

We also adhere to professional standards of The New Zealand Association of Counsellors and their Code of Ethics. This means that counselling sessions are confidential unless there is an imminent risk to safety.

We work collaboratively within our strong pastoral team to support students and our goal is to improve a student's emotional wellbeing, which in turn reduces barriers to their academic progress, and other life goals. We share a commitment to work towards a spiritually, socially, physically, healthy and emotionally safe school.

Finally yet importantly, working with our students and to witness the small change within themselves is a great blessing.

YES GOD IS GOOD.



## DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

### Level 3 DTech Interior wall framing/partition

In this project the Level 3 students had to demonstrate skills of,

- Planning and drawing using CAD (Computer Aided Design)
- Pre screw wall framing
- Installing & lining up the frame
- Installing interior plywood cladding/lining
- Installing pre-hung double door & door stops

Install mouldings (architraves & skirtings)

*These skills prepare them for an apprenticeship or tertiary pathway in the Building Construction and Allied Trades:*



## DESIGN TECHNOLOGY



Thanks to the Lv3 DTech Students for your involvement in this project.

Andre Afamasaga

Jaden Eager

Patrick Ieremia

Duane Kailea

Latu Makasini

Ronesh Mishra

Saipani Paulo

Paula Saimani

Maluofenua Sautia

Joshua Taufa

Talilotu Telefoni

Takiekina To'ofohe

Leon Tunupopo

## DESIGN TECHNOLOGY



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The following items have been built by our students and are currently for sale at ASDAH. Please check the details on each for individual prices. We appreciate your support.



Outdoor Bench: \$65

Outdoor Coffee Table: \$45



## DESIGN TECHNOLOGY



Coffee Table: \$40

Serving Tray: \$20



## FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Year 10 students of ASDAH's Home Economics class have enjoyed the opportunity to cook their favourite meals under the guidance of Miss Tuoro and Siiva Sala. Food Technology this term is being taught by Mrs Siiva Sala a reliever at ASDAH. She has been cooking with the Year 10 students and they have been cooking some delicious meals as part of their learning. Thankyou Mrs Sala for your great support with our students.

The Juniors have been exploring new recipes of different sweets and are discovering the taste of new foods through collaborative group work, before enjoying their meal together.



Mrs Siiva Sala



Jazmyn Peakman, Dheviny Fidow, Grace-Tamara Katoa-Samuela,

Joseph Nasmith



Vika Vea



## FOOD TECHNOLOGY



Sela Bloomfield and Drew Hoeflich



## CHESS CLUB

Our Chess Club is growing with more students learning the game and loving the challenge. We are holding a competition next week and there has been keen interest.

Onward and upward.

Mrs V



## RUGBY LEAGUE

This year, ASDAH is able to field two teams, the First 13 and under 15 Rugby League team. The First 13 will be looking to continue on from their positive season in 2019 by trying to go further than their quarter final finish last year.

The Senior team has been training post COVID-19 and will be aiming for a good start in their first away game against Lynfield College on the 24th of June. Their first home game will be against Sir Edmund Hillary Collegiate on the following Wednesday.

The under 15 team will start their season in term 3, where both teams look promising to have two very good seasons.

### First 13 Team 2020

Andre Afamasaga	Ravyin Ah Him	Ilai Esau	Sioeli Faanunnu	Jared Huni
Patrick Ieremia	Talite Kafoika	Nela Lomu	Latu Makasini	Giovaani Manoa
Stephen Paea	Saipani Paulo	Roki Pulini	Malu Sautia	Simote Savieti
Phillip Scott	Sua Taufa	Junior Teupa		Talilotu Telefoni
Takiekina To'ofohe	Sailopa Tupou	Kauvaha Tupou		

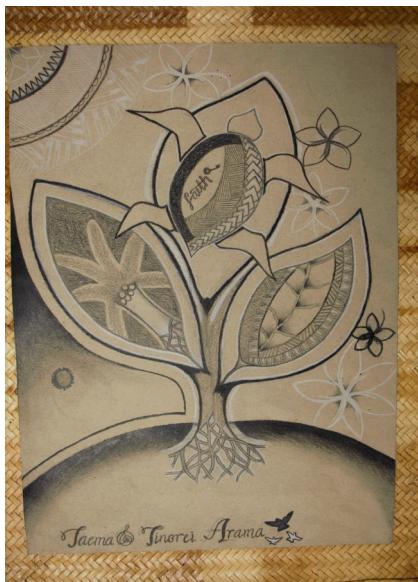
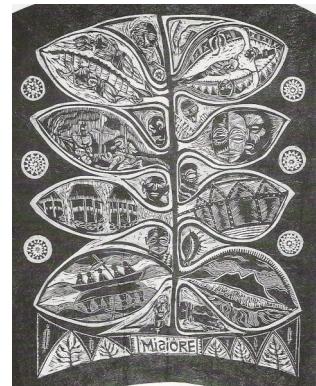


## RUGBY LEAGUE



## ART DEPARTMENT

During the lockdown Senior students began a black and white pencil work related to their experiences of working from home. Using Microsoft Teams we began a works based on a Michel Tuffery drawing of a branch with multiple leaves. Students were asked to include a Covid virus/es somewhere in the composition.



**Breyani Marsters**

**Annierose Laukoko**



**Saimone Teulilo**



**Langi Makaui**

## ART DEPARTMENT

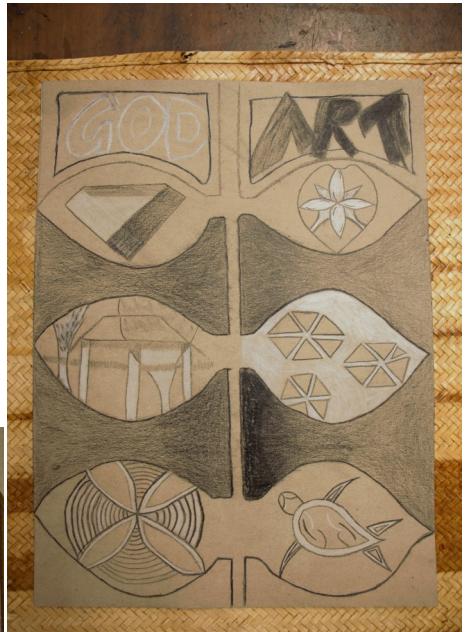


**Lusa Paongo**



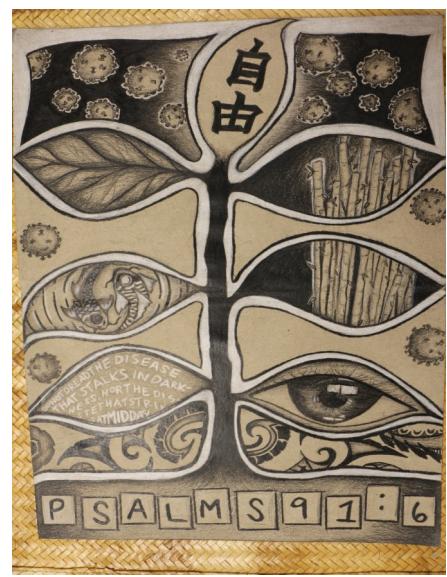
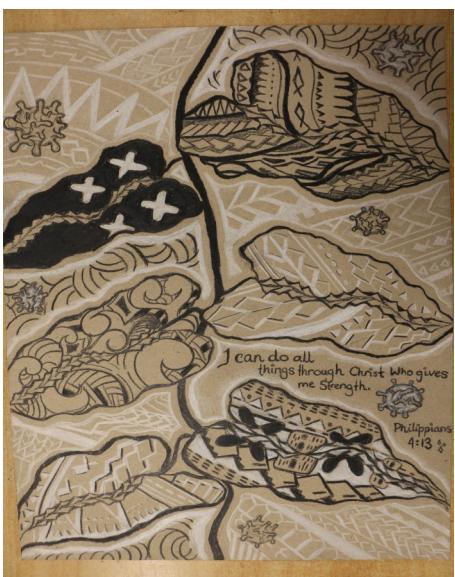
**Ula Faualo**

**Lina Tauaika**



**Senara Matini**

**Sharon Havea**



## THE CAREERS DEPARTMENT

### **Learner Driver Licence:**

Learner Licence programmes will be offered throughout the year. We are still waiting to hear if ADRA will run their licence programme. Please check with Ms Duckett and check emails regularly.

### **Gateway and Other Courses:**

It looks likely that Gateway programmes and other courses will be happening over the school holidays. Please check with Ms Duckett for details.

### **Student Email Accounts:**

It is important that students are regularly checking their school email accounts. Apart from seeing students face to face this is a main point of contact. Ms Duckett regularly sends out information on all kinds of opportunities.

### **University Visits:**

Because of Covid 19, visits from universities are not happening. Many universities and tertiary institutions are offering online presentations. It is essential that students check emails.

## **The University of Auckland – Entrance requirement changes for 2021**

Covid-19 has had a significant impact on New Zealand secondary school students, especially those making plans to start University. To support the future success of senior school students, we'll be changing the entry requirements to our programmes for 2021. We will broaden our entry pathways and place a stronger emphasis on student's Year 12 results. Table A and B requirements have been removed (suspended for NCEA and Cambridge International) for the 2021 academic year. A more permanent decision on A and B tables is under consideration.

Please see our website for further details of the University of Auckland [2021 University entrance for school leavers](#) including information on alternate pathways such as UniBound and Tertiary Foundation Certificate.

The University of Auckland encourages all students who are interested to study with us in 2021 to complete an application for admission to the University. This can be done via the link at the top of our homepage or the [Apply Now](#) page on our website. If you have any students who need help with this process, please let me know so I can assist them with any questions they may have.

### **Need help planning your studies? Use our Future Students Guide**

For those students who are not sure where their interests or strengths lie, our newly developed [Future Students Guide](#) may be a useful tool. Tell us what subjects and careers interest you, add a few of your personal qualities, and we'll help you discover career pathways and study options at the University of Auckland. To get started visit [guide.auckland.ac.nz](#)

## THE CAREERS DEPARTMENT



# moneyHub

### Scholarships

University Scholarships for Year 13 Students – scholarships are starting to open up now and it is essential that students are keeping an eye on emails.

MoneyHub, a consumer finance website, has published a guide to hundreds of scholarships for any student planning to start university in 2021. The comprehensive list includes scholarships offered by every university as well as those specifically available to local students. A list of privately-funded, Maori, Pacific and International university scholarships completes the list.

Applications close throughout the year, with tens of millions of dollars available.

MoneyHub has also published a list of tips for scholarship success.

For more details and to find suitable scholarships, visit <https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/scholarships-nz.html>

### Student Job Directory

MoneyHub has published a comprehensive directory of student jobs. With 50+ well-known employers listed and links to their student job application details, there is something for everyone. Getting a part-time job is a lot easier with this guide, exclusive to MoneyHub.

To access the guide, visit: <https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/student-jobs.html>

### CV Writing

MoneyHub also produces an excellent guide to CV writing and letter writing for job applications.

<https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/cv-template-students.html>

## LIBRARY

### **The Student Volunteer Army:**

Asdah students were busy signing up for the SVA over Lockdown. Some of the following students have all received their badges and there will be a photo in the next newsletter.

Bryanna Hale	Year 12	Member, bronze, silver
Belatina Vea	Year 13	Member, bronze, silver, gold
Gabriel Teariki Kaiti	Year 9	Member, bronze
Paki Fifita	Year 11	Member, bronze
Seini Teaupa	Year 13	Member, bronze, silver, gold
Ungatea Vea	Year 13	Member, bronze, silver, gold
Susan Vai	Year 13	Member, bronze, silver, gold
Malia Maka	Year 13	Member, bronze

The SVA Service Award is available, free of charge, to any student at a participating NZ Secondary School. Students can take part in groups or as individuals and are awarded a pin for initial volunteering hours before logging additional efforts online.

School, community and in-home volunteering hours all qualify and are combined into a single record of service. This can be downloaded for CVs, job, scholarship and university applications.

#### ***HOW DOES IT WORK?***

Simply register at <https://service.sva.org.nz/> and start logging in your hours. When you have logged in your first 5 hours you will receive a Members Pin.

- Member Pin: 5 hours
- Bronze Pin: 32 hours
- Silver Pin: 250 hours



## TERM TWO CALENDAR

Dates	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10 15-19 Jun 5 days	<b>Green Week</b> <b>Assembly</b> Prefect Mtng@lunch <b>Y13 Mtg 3.30 Coconstruction</b>	<b>Green Week</b> <b>PLG – Late start</b> Dept Mtg 3.30pm Art and Technology	<b>Green Week</b> <b>Chapel</b> Kotahi Committee Meeting. Checkpoint	<b>Green Week</b> <b>STARS/Academic Counselling</b> <b>Homework Centre 6pm JF/FM/LH</b>	<b>Green Week</b>
11 22-26 Jun 5 days	<b>Assembly-</b> Student Cncl Mtng Rm 18 JF <b>MLG Meeting 3.30</b>	<b>PLG – Late start</b> Dept Mtng 3.30pm	<b>Chapel</b> Pastoral Care Mtng JF	<b>STARS/Skills</b> <b>Homework Centre</b> <b>6pm JF/FM/LH</b>	
12 29 Jun- 3 July 5 days	<b>Assembly - GT</b> 10 Options: Group 2 begins Prefect Mtng@lunch Y9 -13 Parent/ Teacher interview	<b>PLG – Late start</b> Dept Mtng 3.30pm	<b>Chapel</b>	<b>STARS/Skills</b>	<b>Last Day of Term 2.</b>

## TERM 2 HOLIDAYS

### 3rd July to 19th July

#### PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

If you have any second hand pieces of school uniform that are not being used, and you would like to donate to the school to give away, please drop them into the front office.