

Jeremiah 29:11

"For I know the plans I have for you ... plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Commitment and Excellence

Greetings and Aroha to our Parents and Families at ASDAH

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

Kia ora everyone. Welcome to the ASDAH term 2 newsletter. We have been blessed so far with being able to keep school open which allows us to run the full student programme. This also makes for a very busy term.

We began our term with the year 9 STARS camp at Ngaruwahia. For the first time we have had to run camp in term 2, but despite the lower temperatures, the students, mentors and teachers and a great time. It was exciting to see students try things for the first time and take that step to get out of their comfort zone to do so. We thank Miss Brown and her team, the Graham Dingle Foundation and everyone else who helped make this possible. Always a highlight of ASDAH, we know that camp memories will stay with students and be part of conversations for years to come.

We also had our Student Week of Prayer (SWOP) in week two. The chaplain team together with the year 13 ran a great SWOP week.

PRINCIPALS ADDRESS

It has been very exciting to see our sports teams train and represent our school in basketball, netball and rugby league. Many of our teams have done quite well and a special congratulations to our netball girls who have been playing very well this term.

We also continue to run our after school homework program. Parents, encourage your child to take up the opportunity to come and complete their work in the library after school from 3:30 – 5:00, Tuesdays to Thursday weekly. There are teachers there supervising and can help your child if they need extra support.

A highlight of our school term has been the privilege of visiting the local Seventh-day Adventist churches. This term we visited Royal Oak Church and South Auckland Samoan Church. ASDAH took the service and our school brass band was one of the main features. We thank these churches for welcoming us and hosting us for the day.

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.

Thanks be to God

Principal,

Gloria Teulilo



STUDENT WEEK OF PRAYER

SWOP 2021- "ENDGAME"

Traditionally SWOP (Student Week of Prayer) has always been the Spiritual emphasis week at ASDAH and a chance for our school community to zone into PRAYER and what makes our school unique in terms of its special character.

This year's SWOP was an inspiring display of students using their gifts, powerful messages/testimonies/and special items connecting with the theme- "ENDGAME."

The ENDGAME theme stemmed from the Movie "The Avengers- THE ENDGAME" where key themes in the story, such as the battle of Good and Evil and making pivotal decisions in difficult situations are actually themes, we face on a daily basis also.



The Chess Board props represented the decisions/challenges, with the King Chess Board Piece being covered in Gold representing that through this battle of good and evil-we understand- Victory belongs to Jesus. Jesus Christ Himself is our KING- He is our ENDGAME! Reflecting back on the amazing week- The tune that echoes through is the theme song "Victory Belongs to Jesus."

The week also featured the beautiful reflective work of the Prayer room, to the AGAPE Feast prepared by the year 13s to a "Praise Service "on Friday. To finish off the powerful week a Free Sausage sizzle at Lunch time.

SWOP

Chaplains- Pastors-Esera, Keli and Chris were the Main Speakers of the week making it extra special for ASDAH. The response on Friday was a huge blessing, and huge interest in Bible Study and getting involved in small groups is now in the plans moving forward.



SWOP

This year we received so much encouraging feedback from students. Many from the year 9 group saying that this week was such an awesome experience, and some feedback from the seniors saying that this week was one of the best Student Week of Prayers that they've experienced at ASDAH. Well done to all those involved!

John 16:33

“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”



SWOP



HEALTH CENTRE

Greetings from the Health Centre

The measles campaign was a huge success, with just under half of our unvaccinated students receiving the vaccine. This means 90% of our students are fully vaccinated. The Coordinator was very impressed with the behavior and manners of our students.

With winter well underway, the Health Centre is seeing many students with head cold, sore throats and flu symptoms.

Under Covid 19 level 1, anyone with respiratory symptoms MUST STAY AT HOME.

Lunches in schools continues to be offered to students, we are currently in talks trying to get hot meals during winter.

Our wonderful prefects have stepped up to help with the before school breakfast club making lots of hot milos and toast for students.

Our school doctor is now back to visiting every Friday morning.

The Asthma Nurse has held 2 clinics this term, seeing all Year 9 students that are asthmatic.

My contact phone number is 275 9640 ext 703 or email nurse@asdah.school.nz if you have any queries or would like me to see or book your child into our services.

I am available to answer any questions or concerns you may have at this time. My email is nurse@asdah.school.nz.

Kind regards and keep safe

Joanne Longstaff

Registered Nurse

STARS CAMP

The STARS camp this year was postponed until T2 W1 in May due to Covid. This meant for a slightly colder camp and different experience for both Year 9 students and mentors. The water activities took a bit of getting used to but by the end, everyone was keen to have a go at everything and step outside of their comfort zone in activities like Kayaking, Mudslide, Orienteering, Geocaching, and doing a bush walk.

Having Pastor Esera come to camp was amazing as he ran both morning and evening worships with wonderful messages the students took a lot from. The camp ended with all students participating in a concert with either a drama skit, dance, or song, to display our ASDAH values of Commitment, Excellence, and Respect. The students formed bonds with each other that wouldn't be possible inside of school. And a big thank you to the Graham Dingle Foundation for sponsoring our camp and allowing our students to have a fun experience!



STARS CAMP



Rugby League

This year, ASDAH has been fortunate enough to compete in the Senior A Auckland Rugby League competition.

The team is made up with boys that have been playing Rugby League since 2018's under 15 team, and students whose first time lacing up the boots and putting on a uniform. The skill level and knowledge of the game varies and in our current playing squad, none of our students are playing for any local club.

The team started the year off well with a 24-14 win over Papatoetoe High School, followed up by a 30-4 win at home against Rutherford College and another 34-4 home win against Southern Cross Campus. Our team has also lost 2 games against Avondale College, losing 18-6 and also suffered our biggest defeat against a strong De La Salle team, 38-4.

The team has one game remaining and will look to finish the season off with a good win.



CAREERS DEPARTMENT

From The Careers Department

There have been many things happening over the last few months.

Year 13 PILOT Programme (Pacific Island Leaders of Tomorrow)

Five of our Year 13 students attended a one-day programme at Otago University's Queen Street Campus in March. The theme was "PROGRESSION – Our ancestors were once PILOTS of the ocean". This is a two-part programme designed to provide support for students and their families when they attend university. The second part of the programme is a dinner for students and their family members.

If your child is invited to this programme (it occurs at all levels) please ensure that at least one family member attends the dinner.



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Spotless New Zealand Housing Corporation Cadetship Programme (School Holidays)

ASDAH has been involved with the Spotless New Zealand Housing Cadetship since 2019. Four local secondary schools are involved, each sending ten students for Trades work for experience during the holidays. In April our students were involved with plumbing and electrical work. The programme is happening in the July holidays as well.



A news article:

<http://ourspace/share/news/news-for-2021/news-for-may-2021/saluting-our-cadets>

CAREERS DEPARTMENT

Microsoft Digital Foundations Programme

ASDAH was lucky enough to pilot the Microsoft Digital Foundations Programme. Twenty-two students with a variety of pathways (not just IT - university, trades, workforce) were invited to join the programme. Students were involved in a range of discussions and were offered a selection of tools in preparation for entering the work force. There was also a visit to Microsoft in the Viaduct.

3 sessions
Learn in a group
Gain industry connections with
Microsoft employees
Enhance your CV
learn how gain unique digital
skills to get an advantage on the
job market

Microsoft is launching it's 'Digital Foundations' programme which aims to equip school leavers with an understanding of what is needed to land a job in the modern workplace. Set yourself apart by understanding what a tech-enabled job could look like, how to have a growth mindset, gain future-ready skills, develop a career plan and build a digital toolkit for success. Any questions? Please see Ms Duckett.

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Construction Career Day – May 26

Asdah students were invited to MBIE's pilot Careers Construction Day. Students spent the day at MBIE in Manukau where they were introduced to a variety of trades and heard men and women talk about the trades they were involved in. They also visited MIT's new TechPark .



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More photos available at:

<https://dbeecreative.pixieset.com/teara-mhub/>

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MITO Bus Tour

Never has a trip been more popular! MITO gave us six seats on the tour – we have 8 students doing the MITO programme and several others who have shown an interest in automotive engineering as a pathway. Competition was stiff and the first six to get their forms in were going. The boys had a fabulous day. Other South Auckland schools were also on the tour.

First stop was Giltrap Prestige in New North Road, followed by visits to McLaren and Tesla. Lunch was in the domain and then it was off to Colin Waite Ltd (Collision Repair) in Kingsland and our last port of call was TerraCat in Manukau. A fabulous day indeed!



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Leaving School Careers magazine

www.oliverlee.co.nz/leavingschool-issue20

Driver Licence Programmes

www.drive.govt.nz is an excellent website for students who want Learners, Restricted or Full Licences. It is recommended that all students wanting a licence spend time working through the programmes. It is also an excellent resource for parents teaching children to drive.

ADRA Scholarship Driving Programme:

This is up and running – 15 students for Learner Licence and 15 for Restricted Licence. All places are filled

Important!

We are extremely lucky to be involved in fully funded programmes. Can I please remind parents that it is important that when your child applies for this programme that they have the correct ID (this is clearly laid out in the Permission Letter) and that they attend every session. There is always a long waiting list and it is disappointing if we lose a place because a student cannot get the correct ID or does not attend.

Auckland Transport Learner/Driver Licence Workshops

Auckland Transport also run free programmes. Check out their programmes at:

<https://at.govt.nz/driving-parking/road-safety/young-drivers/learners-driver-licence-workshops/>

<https://at.govt.nz/driving-parking/road-safety/young-drivers/restricted-driver-licence-workshops/>

<https://at.govt.nz/driving-parking/road-safety/young-drivers/full-driver-licence-workshops/>

Gateway and Other Courses:

ASDAH has funding for various programmes.

Gateway: Currently we have nine students involved in the Level 2 MITO Ignite Startup Programme (Automotive Engineering) and a number of students are involved in IT and Retail programmes. A Gateway Programme involves 20 NCEA credits and 10 days' work experience. This is usually organised for the school holidays. There are a limited number of spaces available for Years 11 – 13. Students need to register an interest with Ms Duckett if they have not already done so.

Keeping up with Career Updates:

It is important that students are regularly checking Teams on Microsoft Office. Each year level has a Careers Team where they are regularly updated about Career Events. Apart from seeing students face to face this is a main point of contact. Information on all kinds of opportunities is regularly sent out.

Scholarship Day – Thursday July 29th

Scholarship Day has been set up so that students have a day in school to work on scholarship applications.

Prior to this day they will have needed to :

1. Enroll in the universities they hope to attend . They will need to have a provisional offer of acceptance before they can apply for their scholarships. They can enroll in as many universities as they like – they need to have more than one option, just in case they don't get entry into their first choice. They will need a verified copy of their passport (it cannot be more than two years out of date if it has expired) or their full Birth Certificate to apply for university. Mrs Teulilo or Mrs Latu (the counsellor) can verify passports. Ms Duckett can also help with this.
2. Enroll with StudyLink – the government office that will give them your Student Loan and/or Allowances and pay for the first year of study. Note that if parents earn below a certain amount they will be eligible for an allowance that does not have to be paid back. <https://www.studylink.govt.nz/>
3. Spend time browsing Moneyhub looking for scholarships. They can also check their Careers Teams page for updates.

<https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/scholarships-nz.html>

AVONDALE UNIVERSITY

EARLY ADMISSION APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

Avondale's Early Admission program can earn you an offer to your chosen undergraduate degree before you get your ATAR.

Applying for Early Admission

To be eligible for Early Admission in 2022, you must be:

- | In Year 12 in 2021; and
- | Eligible to be awarded the HSC, International Baccalaureate, or an interstate equivalent at an Australian high school; and
- | Eligible for an ATAR; and
- | Able to demonstrate that you achieved an average percentage mark of no less than 70% (or a B-Grade average) across all subjects in Year 11.

Early Admission is not open to mature age students, non-school leavers, or international students.

APPLY NOW

To apply for Early Admission:

- | Complete an [Early Admission Application Form](#)
- | Prepare a maximum one-page resume, including: a personal statement about what matters to you; your key skills; and your hobbies and interests. If applicable, include in your resume details of your awards /recognition; co-curricular/extracurricular activities; and/or employment/volunteer work.
- | Obtain evidence of your Year 11 final year results (see note).

Note: Evidence includes a school report and/or a letter from your school (on official school letterhead and emailed to Avondale by a school official). Results are required for every subject as either a percentage mark or grade. Results submitted as a rank will not be accepted.

What Happens Next?

Your application will be assessed by our Student Administration Services team and if successful, you will be invited to attend an interview either at our Lake Macquarie campus or via Zoom. Keep an eye on your email - everything you need will be sent there!

If your application for Early Admission is unsuccessful, you still have the opportunity to gain admission to your chosen degree by obtaining the minimum entry score, or higher, in accordance with the published scores for admission to the [course](#) for which you applied. If you do not satisfy the minimum requirements for direct entry into your course of your choice, you may be considered for entry through one of [Avondale's admission pathways](#).

Important Dates

Important dates for Early Admission to Avondale in 2022 are as follows:

10 May 2021 - Early Admission applications OPEN

30 July 2021 - Early Admission applications CLOSE

30 August 2021 - Interviews commence

24 September 2021 - Interviews conclude

27 September 2021 - Interview outcomes released

5 November 2021 - Deadline to meet specific admission criteria (if applicable)

15 November 2021 - Early Admission offers released

Your Offer

If you are successful at your Early Admission interview and you satisfy the specific admission criteria for your course of choice (if applicable), you will receive an early offer before you get your ATAR - securing your place at Avondale in 2022!

Contact our Student Administration Services team if you have any questions about your eligibility for Early Admission.

Contact

Student Administration Services

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E: [**studentadmin@avondale.edu.au**](mailto:studentadmin@avondale.edu.au)



MoneyHub has updated its comprehensive directory of student jobs. With 50+ well-known employers listed and links to their student job application details, getting a part-time job is a lot easier with this guide: <https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/student-jobs.html>

Like our scholarship page, this guide is free to use, download and take action on. We have published a number of tips for job application success as well as a CV guide and interview tips, designed to make the application process less stressful for your students.

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

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

The Student Volunteer Army:

To date we have:

Members	51
Bronze	19
Silver	9
Gold	7

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
- Gold Pin: 500 hours

TECH 21 SUMMIT

On the 24th of May, 28 students from Year 9 and 10 were chosen to participate and attend the Tech21 Summit event held by the Ministry of Education and NZTech to inspire our ākonga (learners) into technology careers.



The event was held at the Vodafone Events Centre in Manukau with other schools from around Auckland. The event was hosted in collaboration with Techweek2021, a weeklong nationwide festival of innovation. There were speakers from EDU Sysems Ltd, ARA Joruneys, Animation Research, Te Papa, KidsCoin, GirlBoss, Weta Digital, and a musical performance from solo artist Kings.



HOME ECONOMICS TRIP

The Level 1 Home Economics class visited the Gate Gourmet Site, Mangere. The students learnt the correct way to prepare and store foods as well as how our school meals are prepared. Here are some of the students' feedback on the trip.

"The trip was a good experience." (Hannah)

"I enjoyed learning about the different sections in the company like the washing area and the packing area. The workers that showed us around their building were very polite and talkative. I learnt a lot." (Elouise)



TERM THREE CALENDAR

Week Dates	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
1 26-30 July 5 days	Term 3 Begins Assembly: Mon: T2 Awards GT/LN/JF Stud Coun Mtg Lunchtime	PLG – Late start Growth Cycle GT DEPT: Bible 3.30pm Homework Club 3.30-5pm	Pastoral Care Mtn g JF Homework Club 3.30-5pm	Homework Club 3.30-5pm Scholarship Day	Term 2 Goals and Targets Update Due to LN Girls Camp Y9 Science MOTAT trip	Girls Camp
2 2-6 Aug 5 days	September BOT Report Template sent to MLG MLG 3.30 CHAPEL Moved from Wednesday	PLG – Late start Y12 Biology Zoo/Botanical garden(TBC)	Health & Safety Mtn g Trade Secrets am Gym all day RD History Trip Waitangi Paihia FD (TBC)	STARS/Skills History Trip Waitangi Paihia FD (TBC)	HOD Budget Tem- plate Principal sent out History Trip Wai- tangi Paihia FD (TBC)	Manurewa Church Visit Pro- motion Band (TBC)
3 9-13 Aug 5 days	Green week Cook Island Lan- guage week Prefect Meeting Mtn g@lunch 13 Co-construction Group Mtg 3:30pm	Green week MOE Teacher Only Day 3	Green week Chapel Year 12 Trip to Rainbows end.AB XB (TBC)	Green week	Green week	
4 16-20 Aug 5 days	Wellness Week Assembly: Waste wise AB Student Cncl Mtng Rm 18 JF	Wellness Week Jan Hill PLD 8.30am SLT WALK THRU Special Character AUT COURSE Planning 2:00pm	Wellness Week Chapel Trip to Rainbows End Year 13 AB XB Kotahi Commit- tee Meet- ing.Checkpoint	Wellness Week STARS/Skills Microsoft Trip	Wellness Week September BOT Reports Due to LN/GT	Penrose Church Visit – Promotion Band – 21st

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5 23-27 Aug 5 days	TOOTH Dental Visits Assembly: SDA Education Wk Emergency Proce Prefect Mtng@lunch MLG Mtg 3:30pm	TOOTH Dental Visits PLG – Late start SDA Education Wk SDA Principals Consultation	TOOTH Dental Visits Chapel SDA Education Wk Health & Safety Mtng 1pm JF	TOOTH Dental Visits STARS/Skills SDA Education Wk	TOOTH Dental Visits SDA Education Wk Speech Competition Finals Y9-13
6 30 Aug -3 Sept 5 days	Split Assembly Prefect Nomination Open Student Cncl Mtng Rm 18 JF Y9 Options Group 3 begins	PLG – Late start AU COURSE Plan-ning 1:45 pm	Pastoral Hui/ Team Meeting JF	STARS/Skills STARS Community Challenge MC	Daffodil Day
7 6-10 Sept 5 days	Green Week ASDAH Accreditation Prefect Mtng@lunch Student Cncl Mtng JF Y12 Co-construction Group Mtg 3.30pm	Green Week ASDAH Accreditation PLG – NO Late Start	Green Week ASDAH Accreditation Avondale Visit	Green Week	Green Week Budgets Due ASTHMA CLINIC Term 3 awards submitted
8 13-17 Sept 5 days	Assembly Derived Exams Y11-13 Exam Bell Times Student Council Mtg Tongan Lang Week TBC	PLG – Late Start Derived Exams Y11-13 Exam Bell Times	Derived Exams Y11-13 Exam Bell Times Kotahi Committee Meeting.Checkpoint	Derived Exams Y11-13 Exam Bell Times STARS/Skills	Derived Exams Y11-13 Exam Bell Times Prefect Nominations Close
9 20-24 Sept 5 days	Assembly Maori Language week (TBC) 5:30pm MLG Presentations	PLG – Late start	Chapel	STARS/Skills MCAT External Maths Exam. P2 (TBC)	
10 27Sept - 1 Oct 5 days	Assembly Student Cncl Mtng JF Y11 Co-construction Group Mtg 3.30 Prefect Interviews	PLG – Late start Dept Mtg 3.30pm PE/Learning Support NCEA Update/ Y9 and 10 Udate	Chapel Pastoral Care Mtng JF	STARS/Skills STARS Graduation School Banquet	Last Day Term 3

2021 TERM DATES

TERM ONE HOLIDAYS

APRIL 19 TO MAY 2nd

Term Two will commence on Monday, the 3rd of May.

TERM TWO HOLIDAYS

JULY 12 to JULY 25

Term Three will commence on Monday, the 26th of July.

TERM THREE HOLIDAYS

OCTOBER 4 to OCTOBER 17.

Term Four will commence on Monday the 18th of October.

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.

But those who hope in the Lord
will renew their strength,
They will soar on wings like eagles;
they will run and not grow weary,
they will walk and not be faint.
Isaiah 40:31

