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KIA ORA, TALOFA LAVA, MALO E LELEI, FAKALOFA LAHI ATU,  
KIA ORANA, ASSALAMU ALAIKUM, NAMASTE, CHAO & GREETINGS

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL Celebrating Diversity



The term continues to proceed at an amazing speed. Over the last few weeks, we have had Year 9 Outdoor Education Camps at Hunua, Year 12 workshops on “relationships”, which involved various community agencies and Year 10 “Brainwave” workshops.

All Year 9 and 10 classes have undertaken assessments in listening, reading, writing, science and mathematics.

Acknowledgement has to be made of

the various cultural groups who are busily preparing for the upcoming ASB Polyfest with the support of family and tutors.

Tonight, there is going to be a combined FiaFia evening. This will take place at Iesu ole Ola Church from 6:00pm. Your support concerning this event would be greatly appreciated.

Nga Mihi,

Greg Pierce  
**Principal**

## TREES FOR SURVIVAL



“Trees for Survival” is an education program focusing on young people learning about their environment through the planting of native trees, with over 70,000 being planted each year. This year at Aorere College, we have two Year 9 classes (9Fi and 9Wi) involved with the program. Through participation in TFS, students not only improve the water quality and biodiversity of their community by planting native trees, but will deepen their understanding of the



carbon cycle, nutrient cycling and the importance of biodiversity. Our nursery is currently located just outside of C6, and we will be planting the saplings on June the 18th in the Manukau Memorial Gardens.

We are grateful to Paul Columbus, General Manager of Novotel Hotels (Airport) and Accor Hotels for his keen and enthusiastic interest and thank immensely for their continued sponsorship, enabling us to continue such a rewarding program.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

17 Mar	Fiafia Evening (6.00pm) <i>Iesu ole Ola Church</i> 19 Noel Burnside Road Ticket: \$5.00
18-21 Mar	Polyfest 2015
28 Mar	Aorere Cultural Festival

## 'Loves Me Not'



On Tuesday 10th March, Year 12 were part of the “Loves Me Not” programme. A team of 20 Police officers alongside the Year 12 AMT’s delivered this programme to raise awareness about Healthy and Unhealthy relationships and making good choices. We were lucky to have Joseph Parker attend the day and support the programme.

(Photo: Joseph Parker with 12FB)



All students now have access to the following:

- Free Aorere College Wi-Fi
- Unlimited Google Drive storage
- The ability to use smart devices in the classroom for educational purposes.

The school has recently had an extensive Ultrafast Broadband internet upgrade now offering potential speeds as fast as any school in the country.

A large number of staff are also undergoing extensive professional development in digital education.

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## MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS DEPARTMENT



(l to r) Ms Ram, Mrs Sharma, Ms Suva, Mr Kumar, Mr Ram (HOD), Mr Sharma, Mr Gellatly, Mr Subbarayan, Mr Nath, Mrs Bahjat, Ms Mark, Mrs Ketheeswaran and Mrs Arora.

### Greetings from the Mathematics and Statistics Department

Mathematics is an art, a pure science, a language and an analytical tool for the natural and social sciences. Our mathematics department is proud to be starting the academic year of 2015 with the same teachers as last year and with the inspiring achievements of our students in 2014. We had one NZ Scholarship award for Calculus, a year 13 student got an "A" grade in first year degree Maths paper at Auckland University, 22 Excellence endorsements and 94 Merit endorsements. These were some of our academic achievements in 2014.

As a department we pride ourselves with the honour of teaching all the students who enter Aorere College, some throughout the five years of their studies. We aim to provide students with the best available skills of Mathematics and Statistics and prepare them well for their future careers.

To do better we wish to work in partnership with you and if you have any questions please feel free to contact the HOD Mathematics, Mr Rakesh Ram on 2785608 ext. 781 or email rram@aorere.ac.nz.

## PHOTO DIARY Level 1 & 2 Graduates

L2 Excellence Endorsements



L1 Excellence Endorsements

L2 Merit Endorsements



L1 Merit Endorsements



L2 Achievement



L1 Achievement



### Senior Boys Softball

The Senior Boys' Softball team remained undefeated throughout the secondary school Monday night competition this term AND WON the FINAL this week! Champions! The results came from great team work combined with skill. Kalym consistently pitched batters out, Kane played catcher well – a great combination. Outstanding base work from Rahsaan, Reno and Charles. Brilliant catching in the field by Joe, Siaoisi and Brandon. Superb leadership by Darrion. Congratulations boys!

### Senior Girls Softball

On Wednesday 4th March the Senior Girls Softball Team competed in the Auckland Secondary Schools Division 2 One Day Tournament at Rosedale Park in Albany. A great team effort, including two players hitting home runs, led them to a convincing 7-0 win over Avondale College in the semi-finals. The final was their toughest game yet, with Rutherford posting up a very strong pitcher. But with some great fielding and batting to match, Aorere came out on top winning the final 4-3. Well done girls!

### Head Librarians 2015



We have pleasure introducing our head librarians for 2015. They are both keen readers, and are ready to make the best school library in Auckland so that Aorere students can always have books in their bag and to take home.