

# NZIS NEWS.

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## "Try not to be a person of success but rather to become a person of value" .....Albert Einstein

This week has been pretty busy, as a school week always is, however, there have been world events and personal events which make you look at your life and question your stand on issues or help reinforce, what is really important in your life.

The tragedies in Nepal should make us all realize, how important the time we have with each other should be cherished. The events in Bali and the executions of the eight convicted drug smugglers is another, where opinion will be divided in how they feel and whether justice was met or not. However, closer for us is the situation with Ms Greta.

Ms Greta taught in the Early Years for several years and is home in New Zealand waging war against cancer at the moment. She is a wonderfully caring person and I would like all of us to send as much positive energy her way, so she can keep on fighting. All our love and support Greta.

Ms Maree, our former principal was back in Indonesia recently, catching up with friends and, as always, was supporting our students. This time she was at the art exhibition in Ciputra Artpreneur. She flies back to New Zealand this weekend and we wish her a safe trip home.

Finally, last weekend was a special week with the celebration of our Art students and the remembrance service for ANZAC Day. Thanks to the many parents, staff and students who supported the events. Have an enjoyable May Day celebration tomorrow and "go Pacquiao"...for his battle against Floyd Mayweather, this Sunday morning.

#### **Inga Tamou** Principal



### 2015 SCHOOL TERM DATES

As below these are our term

dates for next year.

2015

Term 2: Apr 13 - June 26

Term 3: Jul 28 - Sep 23

A full 2015 Academic calendar

is on our website so visit

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to stay up-to-date.

## UPCOMING DATES

May, 1

- May Day (holiday)

May, 13

**ANZA Mother's Day** 

May, 14-15

- Holidays

May, 19

- ANZA Mid Year Bazaar

May 5 - June 10

- Cambridge Secondary Exams



Greta has made such an impact on so many people in Jakarta including her students and work colleagues as she passionately promoted and delivered Te Whariki at NZIS in 2014. She also made a wonderful impression on the children at the Lestari Sayang Anak orphanage and continues to show her support for the organisation.

She has such a strong desire to make a difference and help people and is always eager to help and support people around her who want to make this world a better place to live in. Whether it is raising awareness about deforestation in Borneo and her concern about the homes of orangutans being destroyed or involving herself in volunteer work with the Lestari children. Her work has been greatly appreciated by the founder of LSA, Ingrid van der Mark. I know that I speak for her many friends here in Jakarta who feel very blessed to have had the opportunity to meet such an inspirational lady. Lots of love and good wishes being sent to her from Jakarta everyday.

Words from Ms Martina

This week has been another busy one in Early Years and Primary at NZIS. All our classes are now immersed in their Inquiry Investigations for Term 2! The Big Idea for Term 2 is BEGINNINGS! Most classes are incorporating the Social Science of Social Studies, along with Science and English into their connected Inquiry.



### What Is Belonging?'

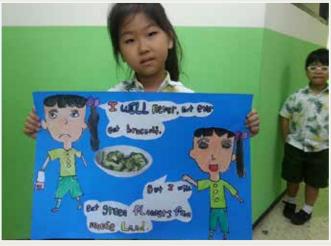
In Year 1 the Key Question is 'What Is Belonging?' which brings in Living things, similarities and differences and Living Things have requirements and habitats.

In Year 2 the Key Question is 'What Groups Do You Belong to?" This lead onto What Foods Belong On the plate? With a Science focus on Properties and change of matter – branching off into healthy eating and eating habits and foods from other cultures.

In Year 3 they are also focusing on groups they belong to and what are our rights and responsibilities. This has already led the students to a study of sea life and some great conversations and studies of skeletons of fish.

In Year 4 the topic of Living Things and Their Habitats has come out of their 'Belonging' Big Idea, with a focus on dinosaurs and where they have been found. It also incorporates History and timelines.

In Years 5 & 6 the focus is around Belonging to different cultures, as well as belonging to our Solar System. There will be an investigation into cultures and our planets, earth and beyond.

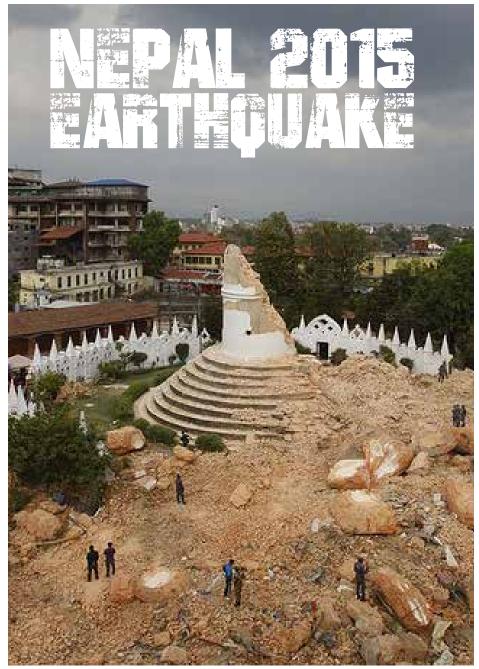


















This week we were saddened by the tragic earthquake and the devastation it has caused to the inhabitants of Nepal. Next week our whole school will fundraise in a united act of solidarity to help raise much needed funds to support those who have been affected by this recent event. Please see the details on the poster in this newsletter about our MUFTI Day next Friday, with all donations being sent to Red Cross Singapore, who will distribute our funds to the needy in Nepal.

Next week our assembly will be led by Yr 1 Papakanua. All parents are invited to attend at 8am on Friday.

I hope you all enjoy the first of our three long weekends this term.

**Ms Denise Roache Head of Primary** 



### **SECONDARY STANDARDS!**

Last Friday was a day of remembrance for ANZAC Day and a group of our students who Ms Veronica had been teaching about Gallipoli, represented the school at an AIS ceremony.

#### Article about ANZAC Day at AIS

Last Friday Naya, Lehyina, Gabriel, Sean Elbert (Year 10) and Natasha and Benny (Year 11) participated in the Anzac Day commemorative service at the Australian Independent School. This year's service is a special one, marking 100 years since the Anzacs had their first taste of battle on the Gallipoli peninsular on the 25 April.

The students took two qualities that make the Anzac Spirit, endurance and comradeship, and explained how these qualities are still very relevant for people today. Here are some memorable quotes from their speeches. "The bravery and especially the endurance of the Anzacs in the face of death is what turned the event into a memorable legend". (Lehyina's speech).

"Genius is one percent inspiration, ninety-nine percent endurance". (Gabriel's speech, quoted from Thomas Edison).

"It is better to despair together than to despair alone". (Benny's speech).

"It was nerve-racking in the beginning but it was worth doing to remember the Anzac heroism. It was a great experience and the Anzac cookies were especially tasty". Leyhina

"This was both a humble and educational experience". Gabriel

"It was a great experience to commemorate and appreciate the Anzac's endurance by listening to many speeches to remind us about the sad Gallipoli campaign, even by the Brigadier himself". Naya

"This year was another great experience for all of us, whether it was out first or second time, to commemorate this important event. We would like to thank the AIS students for a memorable day". Benny

Today was yet another great experience collaborating with AIS students. It was also an improvement in my public speaking skills". Natasha

Thanks **Ms Veronica** and **Mr. Brian** for accompanying our students and your work.





This week Ms Ana has been raising awareness in her classes and through her MUN program. We will look to help provide relief for the Nepal Earthquake victims. Next Friday we will have a school wide activity to raise funds and promote solidarity. A poster designed by Aishah Alhady is attached so that there is an understanding about what is involved.

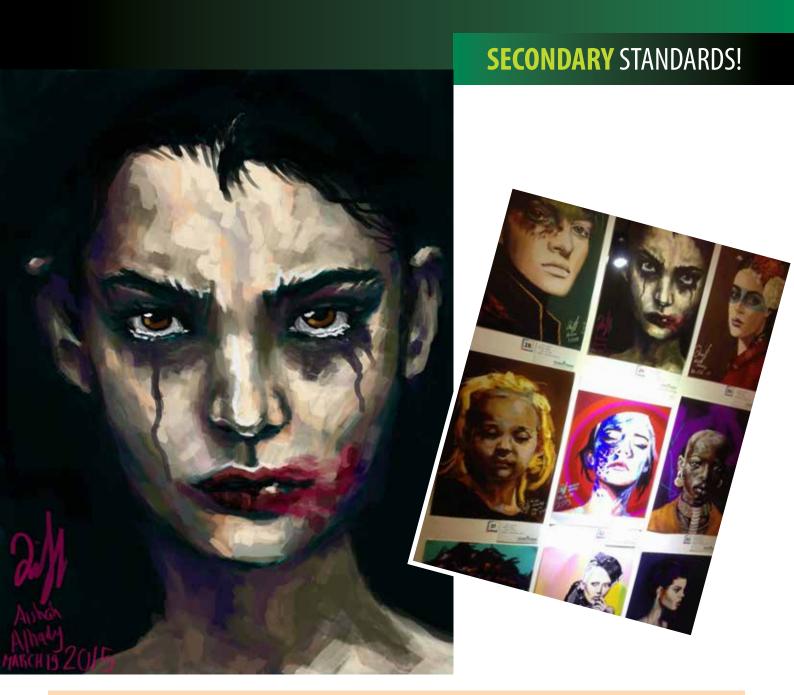
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Lunches – We have a new canteen provider starting in Term 3 and as a bonus, students and teachers have been provided with samples of what will be on offer, all week. The overwhelming consensus is very positive, with plenty of comments about the quality and variety of food on offer. We thank Mary and her team of chefs and look forward to a wide range of healthier and more nutritious food being available.



This week has seen the much - anticipated arrival of our new House and Sports tops. All students have one in stock for them but they must pay at the front office before receiving them. Some of our Year 10 students along with Mr. Rocky, took time off from their PE lesson to help model them.

Monday is the start of our Cambridge International June series examinations. All students have been prepared and its always a nervous time for all of our students. Reminder to students and parents that students are expected to attend school and that if they have got afternoon examinations that the morning will be used primarily for preparation.



Reminder to all year 11 - 12 - 13 parents to confirm their attendance to the Vietnam Camp with an initial payment and a returned signed form.

This week there is the Jakarta 10s Rugby tournament at Jagorawi this Saturday. Many of our senior boys will be joining the competition either as players or supporters but it is 3 girls who will be looking to make their rugby debuts, which will be something to watch. Year 11 girls Himeko, Natasha and Natalie will be looking to take the field for the Dragons this Saturday so we hope, if they do take the field, that they are able to enjoy the experience.

Good luck everyone and enjoy your May Day celebrations, which means make sure your parents have a day of rest and relaxation.

Thank you

**Inga Tamou**Head of Secondary