



# 1767 – NADROGA ARYA COLLEGE

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Striving for Excellence

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## NEWSLETTER

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Greetings & Namaste from Nadroga Arya College.

We bring blessings and humble regards to all parents/guardians. It is really encouraging to note that our school has begun Term 1, 2022 with high spirits and commitment. Nadroga Arya College stands strong waving its flag with the 2022 theme “**Embracing Change to Achieve Excellence**”. We are prepared to sail along all probabilities with the incredible support of all our stakeholders.

### Prefects Investiture Ceremony

This was organized on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022** whereby prefects were inducted. Chief Guest for the program was Mr. Kamal Goundar of Ministry of Economy and was attended by close to 100 parents/guardians. I wish to convey my sincere gratitude to all the parents/guardians that turned up during this program. We hope to see more parents/guardians in our next engagement.



### 143<sup>rd</sup> Girit Day Celebration

A program was organized at the school on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022** to commemorate this day. Oratory competition was held whereby students from each level participated in the competition. Students and teachers are applauded for their initiative in organizing this program.



### 2022 Inter-House Athletics Competition

Students had the opportunity to participate in Athletics competition at the school on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022**. Due to heavy downpour after lunch, the program was postponed and concluded on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022. Students from this competition have been selected to represent the school in the Nadroga Navosa Secondary Schools Athletics Competition at Lawaqa Park on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022**. Athletes will be travelling with teachers to participate in this competition. Parents/ guardians are encouraged to turn up at the grounds to support the school.



### Courtesy visit by PSMEHA

Permanent Secretary for Ministry of Education, Heritage & Arts paid a courtesy visit to the school on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022**. During the visit, PSMEHA addressed the teachers and had a fruitful Talanoa session. She encouraged the teachers and for them to work with positive mind and ensure that our students are well served. She wished the school and the community the very best for the 2022 academic year.

### World Environment Day

Students and teachers commemorated this day on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> of June 2022** at the school. This year's theme was “**Only One Earth**”. Activities involved awareness by Form teachers at each level, poem reciting, speech by students, displays by each form through posters, models and banners followed by planting trees by students and teachers around the school compound.



**REMINDER**

### School uniform/Rules

Parents/guardians are requested to support the school in maintaining good discipline amongst students at all times. All students should come in proper uniform as per the school rules. Some students are trying to take advantage by ignoring proper uniform, footwear and hairstyle. School rules need to be abided by all students. Parents/guardians can liaise with the Head of School for any clarifications on uniform.

### Transport Assistance Application

There are quite a big number of students that have yet to apply for Transport Assistance for RSL and Bus Cards. Parents/ guardians are to apply at the earliest to take advantage of this great initiative by the government of the day and Ministry of Education, Heritage & Arts. Students will only receive RSL vouchers once application is completed and submitted to the school. For Bus Cards, application has to be submitted at the school. Upon receiving the application, school will update child's records online in FEMIS and will issue a letter that has to be taken to Vodafone for the card. Once parents/guardians receive the card, it has to be taken to the District Education Office for top up. The card is to be given to the child for him/her to present it at the school so that card number is entered in FEMIS. Obtaining the card from Vodafone and having it topped up is the responsibility of the parents and guardians.

### Students' Reporting time to school

Parents and guardians are to ensure students travelling by private transport and those staying within walking distance to school must be in school by 8.00am. Those reaching school after 8.00am will be considered late to school. It is the responsibility of the parent and guardians to ensure children wake up early and catch their transport on time. Transport providers are not going to wait for your child if they are not at the pick-up points on time. Waiting for your child will delay other students from reaching school on time.

### COVID-19 Safety & Hygiene

We are not out of the woods as yet and it is important that we all keep taking precautions to avoid spread of this pandemic. Students are encouraged to keep washing hands with soap and water. If your child is sick or have COVID19 like symptoms, please ensure they stay home.

**Personal Hygiene**      **Your safety is in YOUR hands!**



**WASH YOUR HANDS**

Wash your hands often for at least **20 seconds**, use **soap and water** OR hand sanitizer



**AVOID TOUCHING**

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands



**COVER YOUR MOUTH**

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Use the inside of your elbow to cough or sneeze into

### Community Outreach

As part of parental engagement, teachers will be engaging in home, village and settlement visits to talk to the parents and guardians regarding bringing improvement in student's performance at the school and working together on plans to meet the expectations of the school. Parents and guardians will be notified of any such planned visit. We hope to have good attendance from parents and guardians whenever such visit is made.

### Parent Teacher Interview

PTI will be conducted on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2022** from **8.00am** at the school. This will be the last week of Term 1. Teachers have been conducting formative assessments and during this time, as parents and guardians, you can find out how well your child has been doing in Term 1 and what intervention needs to be taken to ensure your child is not left behind.



### Channel of Communication

Parents and guardians are reminded to raise all issues of concern with the Head of School first before taking the matter to other authorities. Head of School will try to solve the issue and should it require intervention from higher authorizes, Head of School will refer them for clarification and appropriate decision. HOS can be contacted via phone, email or by writing a letter.

### Role of Parents

- Prepare a conducive environment for children to study at home
- Avoid unnecessary **Talonoa** around the house that would distract your child's learning
- Ensure your child is at the study table by **7.00p.m** each evening and studies for at least **2-3 hours** each evening.
- Provide balanced and healthy meals.
- Switch off the television/movies when your child is studying
- Avoid unnecessary gatherings at home as your child needs valuable learning time at home
- Continuously communicate with your children on morals and importance of studying.

### Parents and children

The unique and special relationship between a parent and child is paramount for the development of children:

