



Sacred Heart Cathedral School

Te Kura Ahurewa o te Ngākau Tapu

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NEWSLETTER

To educate our children within a Catholic environment to achieve their full spiritual, academic and personal potential.

Dear Parents/Caregivers

9 May 2018 Week 2 Term 2

Hello, Kia Ora, Talofa lava, Namaste, Mabuhay, Ciao, Kia Orana, Ahalan, Kon-nichiwa, Ni hao, Selam, Xin chao, Bonjour, Bula, Dzień/dobry, Nee how, Shalom, Dia duit, Mauri, Halo, Privet/Zdravstvuite.



"To be the Best Catholic Primary School that we can be."

A visit from Grant Robertson – Wellington Central MP

Special thanks to Jeremy (Rm 8) and Luc (Rm 8) who welcomed Grant Robertson to our school. Grant was able to show the students where his office was from our playground and talked about his major piece of work that he has been working on which is the budget. Grant then went into every classroom at our school, meeting staff and students.



2018/2019 Entertainment book: Books were sent home on Friday. If you do not wish to purchase the book please return it to the office as soon as possible.

Purchases can be made online

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/10428y2> The school receives \$13 from each book sold. Money raised will go towards purchasing IT devices for children to use in the classrooms.

2019 Enrolments CLOSE on 31 July 2018: If you have a child due to start school next year, please ensure that you have submitted a completed enrolment form along with a completed Preference Certificate and attendance dues agreement form, to the school by 31 July 2018. If you are unsure whether you have already submitted an enrolment form please contact Cathy in the office either by email: cathy@sacred-heart.school.nz or by phone: 04 4724047 and she will be able to check and let you know.

Year 7 Vision Screening Programme: This will take place on Monday 28 May.

Advanced notice: Parent Cyber Information Sessions: We will be holding the same session at two different times: 5 June 12-1pm ASC room and 11 June 5-6pm in Room 9: Focus on Social Media. Please enter this in your diaries!

We had a beautiful Liturgy to celebrate and honour Mothers associated with Sacred Heart Cathedral School. Special thanks to Sue, Sarah and Angel who organised the liturgy and to the rest of the staff for the special way they have prepared the students to share insights and reflections.

Loving God, we thank you for mothers – for all they mean or have meant, for the love they have shown and the care they have given.

We thank you for the qualities of mothers – their patience, their kindness, concern and understanding. We thank you for the part they play in our lives, and we thank you for this day of saying 'thank you' this opportunity to say what we so often mean to say but so rarely do. For mothers and motherhood, for children and families we bring you this day our grateful praise.

Happy Mother's Day blessings.

Playground: We have been very fortunate to have received another grant for \$15,000.00 to go towards the costs of the new playground. We are just completing some of the finer details and look forward to sharing timeframes with you next week. Special thanks for all your support with this project and your commitment to fundraising. We are looking forward to the mini gala. Thank you to all the amazing donations we have had so far – the quality is incredible. If you have anything that would be suitable for a silent auction prize we would appreciate it so we can make

Coming Events

Tue 15 May: School photos.

Fri 18 May: **Mufti Day for school gala – tombola item.** The tombola item can be anything in a bottle eg shampoo, olive oil, body wash, lollies in a jar, pasta sauce, cordial, jam, pickles, relish, lemonade, bubble bath

Mon 21 May: Mary Liturgy 9.15

Sun 27 May: Parents and Friends Mini Gala

Tue 5 June: Parent Cyber Safety Info meeting 12-1pm ASC room.

Fri 8 June : Feast of the Sacred Heart (this year we will be travelling out to Sacred Heart Petone)

Mon 11 June: Parent Cyber Information Evening 5-6pm.

Tue 19 Jun: **Advance notice Paid Union Meeting** –We would appreciate it if students could get picked up at 1 pm. There will be supervision from 1.00 pm to 2.40 pm and After School Care will also be available

Thu 28 Jun: Whole school Marae visit.

Term Dates for 2018:

Term 1: Wed 31 Jan – Fri 13 Apr

Term 2: Mon 30 Apr – Fri 6 Jul

Term 3: Mon 23 Jul – Fri 28 Sep

Term 4: Mon 15 Oct – Fri 14 Dec

Student Corner:

A roving report from Emma Rm 10 and Abbie Rm 8:

The weather has been phenomenal, which has meant we have been able to get outside. We are getting fitter as we practise for cross-country. Some classes have been over to the National Library and viewed the Treaty of Waitangi, The Declaration of Independence and the Kate Shepherd petition. These are all key historical documents. We even had assembly outside on Monday and Room 5 lead us in the virtue of Joy. The Juniors are starting their ASB programme where they will get to try a whole range of different sports.

up packages of goodies.

Netball starts this weekend. Thank you to the amazing group of parents who have worked so hard behind the scenes so we are ready for a great season. I look forward to seeing the players in action over the season.

This week I am over at St Anthony's school in Seatoun participating as a Catholic Character Reviewer. I look forward to sharing new ideas that I have learnt through this experience with the staff and students.

Special thanks for all your ongoing support.

Arohanui –
Bernadette Murfitt, Principal

PHOTOS FROM OUR MOTHER'S DAY LITURGY



Left: A special thanks to our Dads Ryan and Geoff for organising the morning tea for our Mums after the Liturgy! It was very much appreciated. Well done!

Fr James

My youngest sister, when a pre-schooler, would often disappear from home and the rest of us would be out searching for her. We lived in a small town but it was quite spread out; the main street was part of the national highway and always quite busy. It was easy for a little one to get very lost. Even so, I remember being annoyed at her wandering off and told Mum we shouldn't bother looking for her, that she would find her own way back.

It wasn't the advice to offer an anxious mother! I can still hear her reply: *You don't understand. I have to look for her, because as long as she's lost I'm lost too!*

Mothers' Day is a time when I find myself thinking about this lesson. A mother identifies herself with her child through a bond that can never be broken. Giving birth does not end the connection. Mother and child are uniquely and forever linked in the embrace of life. Mothers' Day is a time to recognise that bond, give thanks for it, honour and treasure it.

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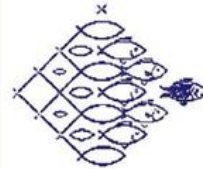
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