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Kia ora Koutou

Ko te wiki o te reo Maori nei .He mihi mahana ki nga whanau..
Whāngaihia te Reo, Nurture the Language.
Toitū te whenua, toitū te mana, toitū te reo!
Hold fast to the land, hold fast to our dignity, hold fast to our language.

Father James

Late last term the Church honoured the birth of John the Baptist. In our calendar only the birth of Mary and Jesus are similarly commemorated. What is it about John that makes him so special? He is a figure of strength and courage, unafraid of speaking out against injustice and calling to account those who should know better. His boldness would cost him his life but he did not waver. He remained faithful though he made little progress; he persevered, though he was taunted, ridiculed and, despite his innocence, beheaded. As a model of faithfulness and determination, John the Baptist is without peer. But he is also a very significant bridge, standing in the gap between two covenants: the agreement, or testament, that marked the Hebrew people as the People of God, and the agreement made by the death and resurrection of Jesus that brought to birth the new People of God, the Church of Jesus Christ. As the cousin of Jesus, John is our cousin, too. May his faithfulness and determination rub off on us, making our witness strong and bold.

Assumption Day Mass

Our mass for the Feast of the Assumption will be held on Wednesday 12 August at 9am. For all parents, caregivers and friends who wish to attend, there will be parking available in the playground after 8.40am.

Auditor Wanted

We are looking for someone qualified to audit the Parents and Friends Trust A/C. The account is not under the umbrella of the Ministry so doesn't get audited with the school account. As this would be the first audit we realise it could take a little time so we're not expecting it will be done for nothing. If you can assist here could you please contact me at school.

New Rates for ASC

Please remember that the new rates for After School Care started on Monday 20 July. If you have automatic payments going in please make the required alterations.



The new rates are:

Full time 1 child \$55.00 per week

Full time 2 children \$100.00 per week

Full time 3 children \$130.00 per week

For casuals it will be \$15.00 per day

Junior ASB

Just a reminder we are going to the ASB centre on Monday 3rd August for our first visit. The children need to bring a tee-shirt, shorts and soft soled shoes to change into. They will not be changing into their uniforms at the end of the day due to lack of time. They also need a drink bottle and a jacket. If you are helping we will see you there at 12.30pm.

Enrolments for 2016

Enrolments for 2016 close on Friday 31st. Please remember that while siblings do get preference an enrolment must be submitted otherwise they could end up on the waiting list. It does look like we will be over subscribed again so a waiting list is likely to happen.

Netball Results

Year	Team	Versus	Result	Player
4	Sacred Heart Lightning	Brooklyn Stars	Won 6-3	Talikha
5	Sacred Heart Fires	St Anne Rebles	Lost 6-4	Allexia
6	Ferns	Kilbirnie	Won 31-6	Dallas
7/8	JADE	SWIS	Won 20-16	Jessica
7/8	ELECTRICS	St Marks	Lost 15-5	Amy
7/8	STRIKERS	Clyde Quay	Lost	Louise
7/8	EMERALDS	SWIS	Won 32-5	Kaylani

No Cars in the Playground

Another reminder that we do not have cars in the playground after school. Our Teacher Aides and Office staff who have to park in the playground finish before 2.40pm so they have left before the children are out. ASC workers are usually in before 2.40pm. These are the only cars permitted in the playground.

Absentees

If your child is away for any reason or will be late it is the parents responsibility to ring and inform the school. Many of you are really good at doing this but there are some we have to ring every time your child is away. This is really time consuming. All late children must come to the office to let us know that they are here.

Bill Turley,
Principal ☺☆