

Dear Parents/Caregivers

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



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

**Additional activities and events for 2016 that will enhance the teaching and delivery of the New Zealand Curriculum**

Trips (Jnrs):	\$60.00	Technicraft (Snr):	\$50.00
Trips (Mid/Snrs):	\$65.00	Read-It (Jnrs & R5)	\$5.00
ASB Sports:	\$20.00	Tissues (R1 only)	\$4.00
RE Digital Learning:	\$5.00	R1 Stationery	\$43.70
Photocopying:	\$10.00	<u>Voluntary</u> Donation	\$100.00 per child
Technicraft (Mid):	\$20.00	<u>Voluntary</u> Donation	\$200.00 per family

For your convenience you can pay directly into our Bank Account –  
ASB 12-3140-0325505-00

**Thanks** to *Lisa Yee* who volunteered in the office for a day last week and to *Amanda* and *Alwyn D' Souza* who spoke to the seniors about their health unit this term. Great examples of stewardship where parents generously give their time to help us all here at school.



#### **Hurricanes Victory Parade:**

Last week the students went to the grounds of parliament to see the parade celebrating the Hurricanes winning the Super Rugby competition.

*"It was great to see the super rugby trophy. I saw most of the Hurricanes and Captain Hurricane the mascot."*  
*Errol*

**Life Education:** The programme the students experienced this term was outstanding. Learning is based on the philosophical messages that we are all unique and special, our bodies are magnificent and we need to support and respect each other. This all fits in beautifully especially around our ethos of being a Catholic School. Special thanks to Mrs Harkin who coordinated this programme for our school.

*"I liked all the funny stories and jokes Harold told us. The videos Harold showed us taught us how to be safe online."* *Cara*

*"I really liked all the images on the walls of the caravan. These taught me how important it is to be disciplined in everything I do."* *Julianne*

**Speech competition:** What an absolute pleasure it was to judge the speech competition. The students in the middle and senior syndicates had all researched, planned and delivered speeches to an extremely high standard. **Congratulations** to *Annabelle, Emma, Anna, Erinn*, who will be representing Sacred Heart Cathedral School at the Central Zone Speech competition tonight at Mt Cook School.

Have a great week.

Arohanui

Bernadette Murfitt  
Principal

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

#### **Coming Events**

##### **August**

19 August – **Olympic Quiz testing day**

24 August – Juniors to ASB Sports Centre 11am-1.05pm. **No Subway orders please.**

30 August – CZ Swimming

##### **September**

2 September 9 am **Father's Day Liturgy at the Cathedral**

6 September – **Paid Union meeting** (please pick children up at 12.30)

InterZone Swimming

13 September -**"Maths made easy evening" 5-5.30 Pasifika Concert, 5.30-6.30 students sharing Maths learning with their parents**

**20 September** Maori Achievement Evening 5.30 in the staffroom

#### **Heads Up paid Union Meeting**

##### **Tuesday 6 September**

On Tuesday 6 September teaching staff will be attending a New Zealand Educational Institute Union Meeting at 1.30 at the Michael Fowler Centre.

This meeting is for all union members and is the beginning of talks for how schools will be funded in the future. We have **2** teachers available to supervise our students. We ask that if possible children be picked up from school at 12.30 pm. If you are unable to pick your child/children up from school by 12.30 pm on Tuesday 6 September please notify the school as early as you can.

**Many thanks for your help with this matter.**

#### **Welcome**

We extend a warm welcome to Javi in Room 1 who started at our school last Monday. We hope you enjoy your time at our school.

**Lost:** Errol Rm 10 has lost his jersey – it is named. It has his brother's name on the jersey – Taine. Please check your child's jersey.

Jeremy Rm 6 has lost his wallet, black with monkeys on it and his Samsung cellphone – possibly somewhere between school and the railway station. If anyone finds these items please hand it into the office or to Ms Scarlett Rm 6 teacher.



This week in Room 7 Keira and Allexia were the "Mad Scientists" and came up with a great science experiment of filling a plastic bag with water and then inserting pencils across it. Very clever



Thank you to the Missionary Sisters of Charity who spoke to our students about the work they do in our community and Mother Teresa. Our students presented the Sisters with food items they could distribute throughout the community. Some thoughts from Ryken Rm 8 after hearing the Sisters speak:

*'Mother Teresa's international congregation – Missionaries of Charity.  
September 5, 1997 – Mother Teresa's feast day.  
Mother Teresa worked for the poor in India.  
Her whole life was given to God.*

**Musical Theatre** for the whole family **Gang Show** is back at **Lower Hutt Little Theatre** -19-24 September. This is a combined Scouts and Girl Guiding NZ event – Visit [www.hvgs.org.nz](http://www.hvgs.org.nz). Our very own **Antonia** is a part of the show.

#### **Olympic quiz fundraising to re-develop the playground**

A reminder about the Student Olympic Quiz taking place at school this coming Friday 19 August. Please help your children learn the quiz answers and collect sponsorship. Funds are due back to school on Friday 26 August and can be paid by internet banking using your child's name as the reference to Sacred Heart Cathedral School Parents and Friends Committee, 12-3140-0397242-000 or return funds in an envelope with your child's name to Cathy. **Thank you for your support with this project.**

**ArtSplash:** Artsplash is nearly here. Two more weeks to go! Our choir will be performing at the Michael Fowler Centre on the 30<sup>th</sup> August at 5.15pm. Tickets are on sale now, \$5 each. Please see Mrs Maresca Rm 2 teacher if you would like tickets.

**Central Zone Swimming:** 30 Aug 9.30-12noon at the Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre. Children participating in this have received a separate letter about this.

**InterZone Swimming:** 6 Sept. 9.30am-2pm at the Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre. Children will be selected from the results of the Central Zone Swimming competition.

**Wellington Collegians Junior Cricket Club:** Online Enrolments are now open for the 2016-2017 season at, [www.collegians.org](http://www.collegians.org).

We have teams from Nursery Grade (Year 0-1) to Year 8 – catering for primary school boys and girls of all ages and abilities. You may prefer to come along in person to our Enrolment Day **Saturday 17 September, 9:30am – 12pm** at our Anderson Park Clubrooms at the Botanic Gardens (next to the Rose Gardens). Committee members will be on hand to answer any questions. Kilbirnie Sports will be in attendance to assist with cricket clothing purchases – they generously offer a 10% discount to our members.

## From Father James

**Last week** the school celebrated Mass honouring the Assumption of Mary. The actual Feast Day was Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>. The Assumption is the patronal feast for the Church in New Zealand and reflects the significant role that Mary, the Mother of Jesus, has played in our history. The first missionaries were Marists; Wellington's first cathedral was named St Mary's, and our present cathedral includes Mary in its title: Cathedral of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and St Mary His Mother. The Icon in our chapel depicts this partnership.

The statue of Mary in the cathedral courtyard fell undamaged from the top of the first cathedral, and our Archdiocese is dedicated to Mary's Immaculate Conception (Dec 8) when we pray for her protection of families and our land.

During this week pray the Hail Mary together for the same intentions and give thanks for this tradition that helps to bind us as a spiritual family.