

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

**Speech competition: Congratulations to *Erinn, Anna, Annabelle* and *Emma*, who represented Sacred Heart Cathedral School at the Central Zone Speech competition last Wednesday evening Mt Cook School. Annabelle and Erinn, were both placed first, Emma and Anna were placed second.**

**Annabelle** – Why too much sugar is bad for you?

**Emma**- Why New Zealand house prices should be lower?

**Anna**- Child Abuse

**Erinn**- Are the Olympics dying out?

**Our speakers at the Central Zone Speech competition**



All four girls were articulate in delivery and really connected with the audience. **The school community is so proud of you.** Special thanks to Father James, Mrs Geraghty, Miss Regan, Mrs Harkins and Ms Scarlett who supported the children at the event. Special mention must also go to families of Sacred Heart Cathedral School who came along to the evening and showed their support.

**Thank you** so much for your **support with the Olympic Quiz** we are so appreciative of your generosity.

**ICAS Spelling: Congratulations** to the following students for their achievements in this year's competition.

**Merit:** *Charlize R5, Anna R8, Katie R9, Harriet R9, Toby W R9.*

**Credit:** *Nathan R5, Patrina R5, Jayden R5, Aidan R7, Gabrielle R6, Miguel R6, Elizabeth R6, Otis R9, Ben R8, Grace R8, Louise R8, Micole R8, Jason R10, Eilish R8, Ryken R8.*

**Distinction:** *Xavier R5, Maria R5, Kathryn R6, Liam R10.*

**High Distinction:** *Angelica R10.*

**Thank you** for all the photos for our Father's Day liturgy. We look forward to seeing Dads/Granddads/Uncles at 9am in the Cathedral next Friday.

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

**24 August** – Future Tech Science Ambassador talking to Seniors

**30 August** – CZ Swimming

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

**6 September** – **Paid Union meeting**

(please return slip from notice sent home last week or get a notice from Cathy if this has been misplaced).

- 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

**21 September** Board of Trustees meeting

### 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.

**Many thanks for your help with this matter. Special thanks to those families who have already made alternative arrangements.** Please return your slip to school outlining your child's arrangements for the afternoon of the 6 September as soon as possible. If you have not received this notice, please ask your child to collect one from Cathy in the office.

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### Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to Adee in Room 1 who started at our school on Monday 8 August. Our apologies for omitting this last week.

**Dads' Night Out: The Lanes – 234/238 Wakefield Street – Tues 20 September** - Booked for 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start. Make the most of this opportunity to meet up with other Dads from the school. Cost: \$25.00 for two games. See link for pricing <http://www.thelanes.co.nz/pricing> Playing is not compulsory, you are welcome to turn up, have a drink and chat. Please RSVP to Alex Potanin, (Parents & Friends committee) email address: [potanin@gmail.com](mailto:potanin@gmail.com)

**Netball Results:** Yr 5 Lightning played Ridgway and won 8-6. **Annabelle** was awarded player of the day. Yr 6 played Clyde Quay and won 38-4. **Emma, Josephine, Eden & Elizabeth** were awarded players of the day. Yr 7/8 Emerald played Kahurangi and lost 18-14. **Katarina** was awarded player of the day. Yr 7/8 Jade played EBIS and lost 21-25. **Harriet** was awarded player of the day. Yr 7/8 Ferns played SWIS and won 27-17. **Allexia** was awarded of the day.

**Lost:** Joshua Rm 2 has lost his named jersey. Please check your child's jersey.

#### **Kids Cross Country Series Event is a Mini Mountain Run on Mt Victoria**

If you haven't already taken part in our Kids Cross Country Series come along to Mt Victoria on Sunday 28 August for a Mini Mountain Run. Our events are open to everyone. You don't have to be a member of a club to take part. We have races for pre-schoolers through to year 8s. You can pre enter online or enter anytime on the day from 9.30am on. For more info go to <https://www.athleticshub.co.nz/our-programmes#kidsxcountry> or contact Jo at Athletics Wellington on 021 976116 or [jo@athleticswellington.org.nz](mailto:jo@athleticswellington.org.nz)

**Olympic quiz fundraising to re-develop the playground:** Congratulations to all students at Sacred Heart Cathedral School for participating in the Olympic Quiz. We have had a really positive uptake from students and their families. Special thanks to those families who brought sponsorship money into school or have made an internet deposit into Parents and Friends 12-3140-0397242-000. **Thank you for your support with this project.**

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

**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.

**Summer Uniform Orders:** Please find attached the Summer uniform order form. Robyn would like orders in by next Friday 2 September. All children go into summer uniform at the beginning of next term, Term 4.



**Wellington Collegians Junior Cricket Club:** Online Enrolments are now open for the 2016-2017 season at, [www.collegians.org](http://www.collegians.org). Enrolment Day **Saturday 17 September, 9:30am – 12pm** at our Anderson Park Clubrooms at the Botanic Gardens (next to the Rose Gardens).

In **Room 5** we have been doing practical learning about Area. This group covered the school library floor space with double pages of newspaper to find its floor area. Working cooperatively were **Lily, Declan, Blair, Ava and Clarissa**.

## From Father James

**Throw in the towel!** A boxer's trainer would throw a towel into the Ring if he judged the fight was too much. Similar to waving a white flag, it was a sign of surrender. Sometimes the boxer might object, believing he could have still taken the fight, but most knew it was the proper call. We too can think of throwing in the towel when things overwhelm us.

It's often easier to give in than make an extra effort. If the heart's not fully engaged in the project, the temptation to toss it aside can win. Think about what's "on your plate" at the moment and the pressure that's on you. Is it time to throw in the towel, or is it worth regrouping and pushing on?

Providing your motivation is right and you're not neglecting other responsibilities, tossing in the towel should be your last resort. A time of quiet, personal prayer can help put things into perspective; a good listening friend is another asset, and your own common sense perhaps the best guide of all.