

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."

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

Special thanks to all parents who have already paid this is very much appreciated.

Interim Reporting: Our staff are preparing for interim report writing. Some students in the Junior School will be receiving an anniversary report - this is in line with National Standards Reporting and will be an assessment against the standard. Most students will be receiving an interim report which is a summary of progress made against learning goals and progress towards achievement of National Standard. Interviews will be held on 4 and 6 July (last week of term). We encourage you to bring your child along to discuss their learning with their teacher. Please go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz enter the code **qg5rp** which is unique to our school. If you don't have access to the internet we are happy to book your times for you.

Samoan Language Week: Theme: 'E felelei manu, ae ma'au i o latou ofaga' (Birds migrate to environments where they survive and thrive) This year's theme is about valuing identity, diversity, and the need to establish environments where students can thrive. We had an action packed week I was so proud of all of our students who took leadership roles and taught songs, dances and Samoan greetings

Sacred Heart Feast Day –What a wonderful celebration we had out at Sacred Heart Petone. Mr Solia greeted us as we went into Mass. What a moving Mass the children sung beautifully and the service really showcased our commitment to embracing diversity with prayers in Te Reo, Italian, Samoan, Niuean and Tokelauan. At the end of Mass each child was given a cup cake to celebrate the very special way the "Sacred Heart" is present in our lives.

Central Zone Cross Country – Congratulations to all students who represented our school at MacAlister Park on Tuesday. The fitness of our students was evident as the course was pretty tough. We are also appreciative of the many parents and whanau from our school community who took time out of their busy day to cheer on the children – Special thanks must also go to Sue Harkins and Lisa Stratford who carried out duties on behalf of Sport Wellington who were organizing the event.

Congratulations to the following children who have qualified for the **InterZone Cross Country** which will be held on the 21st June:

Yr 4: **Charlize Camerino 1st, Katie Hickey 4th.**

Yr 5: **Maisie Day Ellis 4th, Annabelle Stirling 5th, Eoghan Gillespie 10th.**

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

Coming Events

Matariki starts

Wednesday 8 June -Support Staff Day we are very appreciative of the very special way our support staff team help staff and students at Sacred Heart Cathedral School. Thanks Cathy, Robyn, Ella, Rachel and Alison.

Thursday 9 June – Snr Syn Technicraft 8.45am-12.45pm

Friday 10 June – Snr Syn Technicraft 8.45am-12.45pm

Sunday 12 June – St Patrick's College Open Day 1.30-4.00pm

Monday 13 June – Rm 5 to Te Papa 11.00am-2.30pm.

Tuesday 14 June – Rm 6 & 7 to Te Papa, 11.00am-2.30pm.



Students decorating a cross during Samoan Language week

Welcome

to Lily in Room 5 and Kymani in Room 3 who both started at our school yesterday. We hope you enjoy your time at Sacred Heart Cathedral School

Yr 6: **Luc Boeschstein 3rd**.

Yr 7: **Edie Kozyniak 1st, Hannah Hickey 6th, Oliver Stirling 6th**.

Yr 8: **Millie Day Ellis 9th**.



Stewardship in action - supporting a large family hospital for refugees in Wellington

Sacred Heart is contributing to Catholic Social Services' work to welcome the June intake of refugees to Wellington.

Please contact Deirdre Hanlon at foshcs@gmail.com (Friends of Sacred Heart) if you can:

- help sort items this Friday morning (10 June - what time you are available between 8am and 11am?)
- help transport our items down to the Loaves and Fishes (on Hill Street) on Sunday 12th between 2 and 4pm

You can also help by supplying items on the pantry list and the household list which were sent home with your children yesterday. This is short notice but our help will make a big difference for these families. It is a practical way for us to prepare for the Day of Prayer for Refugees and Migrants (June 19th) and to support the school liturgy focusing on refugees which our children will be participating in this term. **A BIG THANK YOU** to parents who have already brought in items for this. I am sure your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

Many thanks for all your ongoing support.

Have a great week.

Arohanui

Bernadette Murfitt
Principal

2016 Board of Trustees Elections – votes will be counted on Thursday 9th June and the new Board takes office on Friday 10th June.

Basketball: The Sacred Heart **Titans** played Queen Margaret's and lost 23-24. Players of the day were **Matthew** and **Samson**.

Quiz Evening – Thursday 16 June: School yourself up on some general knowledge and join us for a really fun night in mid June. You can organise your own team (which is around 6) or come along and join a team. It's always a fun night and it's a great little school to support.

Shepherds Arms, Tinakori Road, Thorndon

Thursday, 16 June 7pm for 7.30pm start Cost \$10 per person

Matariki - Matariki is the Māori name for the star cluster known as the Pleiades. Traditionally for Māori when it appeared just before dawn in late May or early June, it signalled the start of the Māori New Year. For some tribes, the rising of Puanga (Rigel in Orion) signals the start of the New Year.

Different tribes celebrated Matariki at different times. For some it was when Matariki rose in May/June. For others it was celebrated at the first new moon, or full moon, following the rising of Matariki. In the 21st century it is the new moon following the rising of Matariki that signals the New Year. This year Matariki started on 6 June 2016.

Matariki Wellington Festival highlights -Dawn viewing from Mt Victoria - Using portable telescopes, astronomers from Space Place at Carter Observatory will give participants the opportunity to get a real-time

experience of Matariki rising. 18 June, 5am – 7am, free

Te Reo o te Marama: The Voice of the Moon

Enjoy a concert for the whole family that weaves the power of music and the written word together in a homage to the moon. *Wellington Museum (formerly Museum of City and Sea), 16 June, 6pm – 7pm and 8pm – 9pm, koha.*

Photos from Feast of the Sacred Heart at Petone



Lunchtime Art with Ms Scarlett



From Father James

1. **Last Friday we celebrated the Feast of the Sacred Heart.** An important day for both School and Parish. As our "Name Day", it is an opportunity to remember and give thanks for all who have been part of this faith community. It is also a time to reflect on the part that faith plays in our lives.
2. The Sacred Heart of Jesus is the model we endorse through our involvement here. It is a model that speaks for care and sacrifice, for self-giving and service, for mercy and compassion – in one word: love. The school embraces that model by emphasising the Catholic Character in all that it does; the parish reinforces this foundation in its outreach, openness and welcome.
3. There are glitches and failings, and we keep trying. More often than not there is success, seen in the laughter, joy and friendliness that pervades classrooms, playground, parish activities and our homes. So many people have believed strongly enough to invest their time and skills into building up our community. Our thanksgiving is best shown by continuing to build on their trust.