

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

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You are invited.....

Father James is turning 75 and to celebrate this we are having a special assembly on 12 October in the St Mary's College Hall. Parents are all welcome.

The **last day of term** will be a **gold coin mufti day**. We will purchase a gift for Father James from the Sacred Heart Cathedral School Community as a small token of the wonderful work Father James does in our school.

- **Chinese Language Week:** the children participated in numerous Chinese Culture activities. Special thanks to Di who pulled in other Mandarin Language Assistants, activities included: tai chi, paper cutting, and fan dancing.



Rm 3 Art work from City Gallery visit.



- **Junior Trip to Art Gallery:** The Junior School went to the City Art gallery and viewed the exhibition of Sister Corita's Summer of Love – the inspiration for these amazing artworks came from a love of God and 60's pop culture. The students then participated in a hands on session creating screen printed letters replicating the alphabet Sister Corita created last century.

- **Congratulations to...**

- **Atawhai** who came 3rd in the 25m Butterfly event at the InterZone swimming competition – our apologies for omitting this, the official results have only just come out.
- **Charlize** (Rm 5) and **Lily** (Rm 5) who made their First Holy Communion last Sunday at Sts Peter and Paul's Church Johnsonville.

- **Toby** (Rm 10) and **Kaelin** (Rm 9) who have been selected to play in the Wellington Primary Schools' rugby team, representing Sacred Heart Cathedral School. Both boys will be participating in a tournament over the holidays. Best wishes to you both.

- **Wanted:** If you have any **old picture frames** or **maps** that are surplus to requirements we would appreciate them as we want to upcycle them. Please leave at the office.

- Eli Scarlett (Rm 6) needs **old white or coloured t-shirts** (no patterns, images or designs) for tie-dying. Any size appreciated.

- **Junior Syndicate Reminder: Parent Assembly** Thurs 22 Sept 1.15-2.15pm.

We had a superb **Māori achievement Evening** last night and recognized the many gifts and talents of our students. Special thanks to families who attended and for your feedback that will ensure Sacred Heart Cathedral School is a great place for all learners.

What an action packed term we have had, special thanks for all the support you have shown staff and our students throughout the term. Have a well-earned break and we

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

Coming Events

21 September Board of Trustees

Meeting 7.30pm in staffroom

22 September Jnr parent assembly
1.15pm

23 September Mufti Day – **gold coin**

12 October Celebration of Father James' 75th birthday 2 pm St Marys College Hall (parents welcome)

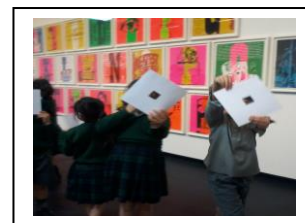
27 October – Net safe evening for parents **5 pm** led by Karen Spenser

Director of Education Netsafe

-The purpose of this evening is to explore ways so that your child is a responsible digital citizen.

-Learn strategies to keep your child safe online.

Juniors at the City Gallery



Parents at our Pasifika Concert last week.



Free Chairs – we have a number of these chairs to give away – available in burnt orange, blue and burgundy – can be stacked. Contact Bernadette if you would like some.

Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$150,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

\$500

To take up this offer, your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between the 2 May 2016 and 31 December 2016. ASB lending criteria, and terms apply. Fees may apply. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property. This donation offer is only available when you apply for new home lending through an ASB branch, contact centre or mobile lending manager. Other terms apply. For full details and to download the voucher visit asb.co.nz/schoolbanking.

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look forward to the final term of 2016.

Arohanui
Bernadette Murfitt
Principal

Final game for our Year 8 team!



Netball Results – last game of the season: Yr 5 Lightning game was cancelled. Yr 6 played Brooklyn and lost 12-11. **The whole team** was awarded players of the day. Yr 7/8 Emerald played St Mark's and lost 21-23. **Atawhai** was awarded player of the day. Yr 7/8 Jade played Kahurangi and won 21-7. **Jess** was awarded player of the day. Yr 7/8 Ferns played SWIS and won 19-13. **Emily** was awarded of the day. Please return your **clean netball gear** to Cathy in the office this week. There will be an **end of season shared lunch** for all netball players in Connolly Hall on **Thursday 13 October** (week 1 Term 4). All netball players to bring an item for the shared lunch to the after school care room before school. All coaches, managers and parents welcome.

- **Dads' Night Out** – *Special thanks* to **Alex Potanin** for organising this social event. *Thank you* to the Dads who took up this opportunity to meet other Dads.

- **Mission Day Alert!!! - Thursday 27th October:** This is a heads up just to inform you that we need you over the holidays to find toys, books and games around your house that you don't want any more. We would appreciate parents' help by baking treats like cookies, cupcakes, fruit kebabs etc. to sell on the day. If you have anything to bring please don't bring it to school until after the holidays. Liturgy leaders will come to your classroom each day to collect your items. Could baking etc please be brought in on the day or the day before. Thank You. Liturgy Group.

- **Mathswell Middle Syndicate teams**



Miguel Rm 6, Andre Rm 7, Emma Rm 6, Elizabeth Rm 6, Gabrielle Rm 6 and Kathryn Rm6 took part in the annual Mathswell competition at Chilton Saint James on the 31st August. The two teams did very well and managed a fourth placing for the non-championship plate.

- **Play Summer Football! Year 5 & 6:** Join a Sacred Heart team of year 5 and 6 boys and girls and play in the summer series on Friday afternoons at Ian Galloway Park. Game times vary but are likely to be between 5pm and 6pm. If getting there is a problem, please ask as we may be able to help. If you are interested or have any questions contact Deirdre Hanlon on 021 0798290 or deirdrehanlon1@gmail.com

- **Karori Amateur Athletics Club**, Ben Burn Park, Wednesdays 6pm. Season starts 12th October & runs for 2 terms. Do you know a child who dreams of becoming the next Valerie, Nick, Nikki, Tom or Usain? (sorry, no pole-vaulting for kids) Or do you know a child who would benefit from having an evening off screens each week? Would you like your family to spend more active time together? The Karori Athletics Club provides a fun environment with a mixture of games and track & field athletics for children from 5-15 years old. Keen athletes can represent Karori & compete in Inter-club events & other competitions during the season. Parents measure & time, supervise & guide, encourage & cheer the kids on. It's a lot of fun & there's even a sausage sizzle! The Club meets weekly at Ben Burn Park in Karori on Wednesday nights (6.00pm-7.30pm) over the summer from October to March. For more information including details on online registration, visit the website: www.karoriathletics.org.nz

- **KELLY CLUB Holiday Programmes (26 Sept-7 Oct)** - Kelly Club offers full time Holiday Programmes during all school holidays. Our programmes focus on giving children between 5-13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment. They are packed with variety to entertain, inspire and challenge children and most of all to have fun! We operate from the following venues: **Wests Rugby Clubrooms** in Wilton, **Island Bay School, Houghton Valley School, Churton Park School, Amesbury School & West Park (currently held at the Softball clubrooms in Phillip Street).**

Sports Holiday Workshops – Football, Badminton and SNAG (Starting New at Golf) workshops during the holidays at Wests Rugby Clubrooms in Wilton (all weather indoor surface). For more information and to enrol please contact adminwgt@kellysports.co.nz.

From Father James

Last week I wrote about the power of the cross to encourage and to save, and someone reminded me of the often used expression: *Touch wood!*

It originates from the practice of placing a wooden cross near the doorway of the house. A person leaving the house would touch the wood of the cross as a gesture of faith, an action-prayer for safe travel.

The modern use of “touch wood” has an identical purpose. By it we mean “all going well”, this or that will happen, or not happen. I doubt many people realise that when they say “touch wood” they are in fact offering a prayer.

If you do not have a wooden cross near your doorway, consider placing one there. Make it a holiday project. Then touch the wood of the cross each time you go out. Go, in the company and with the protection of the One whose love travels with us in all times and seasons.