

## Dear Parents/Caregivers

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



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



### EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE RESULTS:

1 <sup>st</sup> : Lucy Atkins	7 <sup>th</sup> : Joseph Paul
2 <sup>nd</sup> : Ace Tiamzon	8 <sup>th</sup> : Rachel Sheldon
3 <sup>rd</sup> : Marie Dorn	9 <sup>th</sup> : Joseph Paul
4 <sup>th</sup> : Bianca Blanch	10 <sup>th</sup> : Jotham Setefano
5 <sup>th</sup> : Natalia Hinton	11 <sup>th</sup> : Greig Rowan
6 <sup>th</sup> : Katarina	12 <sup>th</sup> : Barry & Della Seamer

A **BIG THANKS** to everyone who supported this fundraiser by donating an easter egg or easter item for the hampers and then by purchasing and/or selling tickets. Also a **BIG THANK YOU** to our Parents & Friends Group who organised this. Finally, a **SPECIAL THANKS** to **Katy Greco-Ainslie** who managed to sell 120 tickets! **Well done Katy!** A total of \$1,443.30 was raised from this raffle which will go towards our new playground development. **Thank you.**

**Commissioning Liturgy:** A commissioning liturgy was held in the Cathedral this morning, to recognise Student Leadership roles of Altar serving, Liturgy leaders and St Vinnies committee leaders.

This liturgy was the first liturgy fully written and organised by students. Representatives from the St Vincent de Paul Society, The Soup Kitchen and the Home of Compassion attended. Anna from St Vinnies thanked the students and acknowledged their dedication in giving back to their community.

*"It was eye-opening to think of ways to put a modern perspective on an old parable."* Hannah H Rm 8

*"It was a privilege to get leadership badges – we will wear them with pride."* Mihini Rm 8

*"We realised how much time and effort goes into creating and organising liturgies."* Katie J Rm 8

**PARENT TUTOR READERS NEEDED:** *Parent reading tutors are still needed* for the Senior Syndicate - Rooms 8, 9 and 10. If you can help, please email Elinor Scarlett: [elinor@sacred-heart.school.nz](mailto:elinor@sacred-heart.school.nz)

**Parents welcome:** There will be two opportunities to see students share their learning this week.

We have the **Junior Celebration of Learning** on **Thursday 6 April** from **1.15-2.00pm** in **Connolly Hall**.

Parents are welcome to attend. Some parking is available in the playground from 1.00pm only.

**Bugs Learning:** We have **all classrooms open** on **Friday 7 April (2-2.40pm)** where the students will be sharing what they have learnt throughout the term on the " Bugs" Unit this term.

**Thank You:** Thanks to all the parents who helped with the Junior Syndicate trip to Zealandia and with the swimming lessons. We appreciate the ongoing support.

**Combined Student Leadership development with Holy Family School:**

The Liturgy leaders from Sacred Heart Cathedral School and Holy Family School took part in the Catholic Young Leaders workshop on the 30th of March. Alan Grant (Consultant in Religious Education for Catholic Primary Schools) taught the children about the Cathedral and how to be a Liturgy leader in their schools. The children were given challenges and activities based on the gospel virtues and what it takes to be a leader. It was a successful workshop – the children left feeling confident and ready to lead and prepare future liturgies and masses within their school.



**Lost property:** **Cairo** Rm 3 has lost her named jersey and puffer jacket. Please check your child's jersey and jacket.

**Joshua** Rm 3 has lost his swimming goggles after swimming last Wednesday. They are blue with lizard eyes design.

**Touch rugby:** Special thanks to Mr Grevatt and the superb parent coaches who have supported and guided our students throughout the touch rugby season. We really appreciate your willingness to give up your time so our students can participate. The level of skill and fitness was clearly evident, combined with encouragement and commitment from the parents, certainly made it a great season for all.

## Coming Events

**6 April** – Junior Celebration of Learning  
Connolly Hall, 1.15-2pm,  
Parents are welcome to attend.

**7 April** – 2pm Classrooms are open  
parents to view learning from  
Term 1 Bugs topic.

**12 April** – Stations of the Cross – at  
school, 1pm. Parents welcome.

**13 April** – 1.30pm Connolly Hall –  
**Farewell assembly for Sue  
Harkins.** Parents welcome.  
- End of term 1, school finishes  
normal time of 2.40pm.

**1 May:** Term 2 begins usual time of  
8.40am.

**Pope Francis Lenten message**

**The word is a gift. Other persons are a gift.**

## SUBWAY ORDERS ONLINE:

From Term 2 all Subway orders will be online – there will be **NO PAPER** orders. In next week's newsletter there will be hints on making online orders easier. Orders do need to be placed before 9am on Wednesday morning. You will need to register before you can order online.



### Fonterra Milk for Schools:

Yesterday our students enjoyed a carton of Fonterra milk in class, as part of the Fonterra Milk for Schools weekly programme. Not only is this a healthy drink option for our students, but they all really enjoyed it too. Thank you to Fonterra for providing us with this opportunity.

**Annie**, R7: *"It was amazing to have milk at school. I wish we could have it every day."*

**Rupert**, R5: *"It's cool to be a milk monitor. I really like drinking milk."*

**Room 5 drinking their milk after morning tea.**





Both of the Sacred Heart touch team competed in the touch finals last Wednesday. The yr 5/6 mixed touch team the **Sacred Heart Minions won 19-0** in the **division two final** against the Berhampore Lions. **Player of season** was **Ashton D** Rm 6 and **MVP** went to **Annie** Rm 7. A **BIG THANK YOU** to **Cataldo Iaccarino** who coached them. The yr 7/8 mixed touch team the **Sacred Heart Green Machine** lost narrowly in the **division one final**. **Player of the season** was jointly awarded to **Oliver** Rm 10 and **Roman** Rm 10.

A **BIG THANK YOU** to **Freddy Palu** for volunteering your time and coaching our Yr 7/8 team. It was fantastic to see everyone enjoying themselves on the touch field in all sorts of weather conditions. We hope to see everyone back in Term 4.

**Head lice:** It has been brought to our attention that head lice has been found in some children's hair. Please check your child's hair and treat if necessary. It requires everyone to regularly check their child's hair in order for this to be resolved. Thank you for your co-operation.

**Performance group with Te Po**



**What Te Po teaches us:**

*"Te Po taught me how to whaikorero and this week I did it in front of the whole school."*

Remy Room 7

*"Te Po teaches us to be confident when we waiata and we have fun doing it!"*

Lynda Room 7

Arohanui –  
Bernadette Murfitt, Principal

**Kids Have FUN at Craft House – School Holiday Craft Classes and Birthday Parties:** Join us at Craft House for some April school holiday FUN! Paint some rocks and join the #WellingtonRocks trend. Create a crazy canvas, a framed picture of yourself, some pop-up cards or a charming chandelier to hang in your room. We have a huge variety of crafty projects to choose from. Check out all the options at [www.crafthouse.co.nz/kids](http://www.crafthouse.co.nz/kids) and book now at [www.enrolmy.com](http://www.enrolmy.com). Prices start at just \$25 for a 2hr class and before/after class care is also offered for a small surcharge. Open to all children 7 years and above. Join us for a two hour session, a whole day, a week ... it's up to you!

PRE-ORDER NOW TO GET OVER \$145 OF EARLY BIRD OFFERS. **ORDER NOW**

**ENTERTAINMENT BOOK 2017/2018:** We are selling the 2017/2018 Entertainment books. Cost for a book or digital version of the book this year is \$65.00 with the school receiving \$13.00 from every book sold. Money raised from this will go towards purchasing IT devices for our classrooms. Pre-orders can be made online now on <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/10428y2> All pre-orders before 26 April, qualify for the early bird offers! A **big thank you** to the parents who have already purchased a book!

# Fr James

As we approach Holy Week, when the tide turned against Jesus, the following Gospel reflection from Claretian Publications shares helpful insights:

School attendance in Jesus' time, the scholars say, was quite general but not compulsory; and the syllabus would probably have extended a little more that reading, writing and translating. It is highly unlikely that Jesus ever attended a Rabbinical school.... (so) he was technically unqualified to teach. This contributed not a little to the scribes and Pharisees' rejection of him. He was making all their scholarship look shallow and useless.

In his own village he also met opposition. If you are from my village and we had the same education, then the better you are the more you show me up as inferior, even when that is the farthest thing from your mind: we started in the very same place and got the same chances, so I have no explanation, no excuse. I am simply inferior. But my ego can't settle for that, so I would like to get rid of you. [see Matthew 13] The ego is the greatest enemy of the truth.