



Sacred Heart Cathedral School

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NEWSLETTER

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

Dear Parents/Caregivers

7 June 2017 Week 6 Term 2

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."

Photographs – School photos can now be viewed on the online gallery by clicking on the following link: <http://www.inspirephotography.co.nz/> The access code was emailed out to parents earlier today.

Glow worms: We are have reached our quota of people for the guided walks to see the glow worms on Wednesday 21 June and are unable to accept any more people wanting to come.

Quiz Night Tomorrow night: Thursday 8 June at 7pm: Join other parents from your child's class and form a team! We are hoping to have a table from each classroom. If you would like to join a room table you can email Amanda Gregan on amandagregan@hotmail.com Payment of \$10 per person on the night and all money raised goes to our new junior playground.

WHERE: SHEPHERDS ARMS HOTEL, TINAKORI ROAD

WHEN: 7PM FOR A 7.30PM START

New devices – I am pleased to announce we have put in another 2 new devices into each of our classrooms. The junior rooms have iPads and the rest of the school chrome books. Our staff are constantly upskilling so they can provide collaborative opportunities for our students with learning.

"I really like the new chrome books. The design and the quality of the new devices is amazing. Six of us can now work in a group on the chrome books." Ethan Rm 8

Attendance: The Board of Trustees has asked me to monitor student attendance carefully as in Term 1 there were some inconsistencies in attendance. For effective learning to take place your child needs to be at school every day unless they are genuinely sick. Each week I will give you an overall attendance rate.

Week 5 Term 2 94% of Sacred heart Cathedral School students were at school – fantastic

There were 45 students over the course of the week who were late – this is an area we need to work on.

After School arrangements – please make sure you have arrangements for your child after school there are still a number of students who are constantly being picked up late. The school offers After School Care for \$15.00 per day for casual attendance and \$55.00 for one child per week for regular attendance.

Samoan Language week assembly – We had a fantastic sharing assembly on Friday. Special thanks to all families who attended. It was a great opportunity for our students to learn more about Samoan culture.

"The Pasifika assembly was great. We had time to socialise with other people in different languages. The groups that participated in this assembly were very confident and organised." Errol Rm 9



St Patrick's College Wellington: Open Day on Sunday 11 June 2017 at 1.30pm:

Prospective pupils and parents are invited to visit the College. The Rector will address visitors at 1.30 p.m. in the Hall. Tours of the College

will follow. Any enquiries to: **St Patrick's College, 581 Evans Bay Parade, Kilbirnie.**

Ph 939 3070. email: admin@spats.school.nz

Interim Reporting on student progress: Monday 3 July 3.00-7.00pm or Wednesday 5 July 3.00-5.00pm. Please book your Interim Reporting interview. There is **one space per child per class** on either Monday or Wednesday. If you require an additional slot, please arrange this with your child's teacher at a mutually agreed time.

Coming Events

- Thu 8 June - Parents and Friends Quiz Evening at Shepherd's Arms Hotel, 7pm for 7.30pm start.
- Fri 9 June – Senior Technicraft
- Wed 14 June – Junior Syn Trip to the zoo
- Fri 16 June -Senior Technicraft
- Wed 21 June: - "What now – school take over" TV show onsite.
 - Celebrating Matariki visiting the Glow worms 5.30 pm
- Thu 29 June: - Jnr Syn Celebration of Learning Parents welcome in Rms 1, 2 & 3 from 2.00-2.40pm.
- Fri 30 June: - Feast of the Sacred Heart school activity day
- Mon 3 July: 3-7pm – Interim Reporting on student progress.
- Wed 5 July: 3-5pm – Interim Reporting on student progress.

Artwork by **Aine** and **Sophia** Rm 6 inspired from paintings by noted Samoan painter, **Fatu Feu'u.**



Students learning about their Google drive.



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To book a 10 minute slot to meet your child's teacher for an interim report go to: <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/> and entering the code: sxfuj.

Archdiocesan Boys' Choir: Do you know a boy who loves to sing?

Following the growing success of the Boys' Choir at the Metropolitan Cathedral we are expanding our intake of choristers to include boys from around the Wellington region. We are on the lookout for fun loving, happy and friendly boys who would like to audition for the Archdiocesan Boys' Choir. Previous experience of singing in choirs or prior musical training is not required. If your son can sing in tune and enjoys music then encourage him to audition!

Over their time in the choir, boys will learn sound vocal technique, music theory, life-skills, teamwork, as well as grow in confidence and discipline. Teachers and parents see the boys' language skills, reading comprehension skills, maths skills and confidence improve greatly by being a part of the choir. The life of chorister provides the ability to develop spiritual, as well as musical, intellectual and personal gifts.

Auditions will be held on Thursday 15 June 4:00pm-5:30pm at the Cathedral on Hill Street, Thornton, Wellington.

For more information and to register your interest please contact Michael Fletcher, Director of Music, Metropolitan Cathedral or email m.fletcher@wn.catholic.org.nz or phone 04 496 1700.

Have a great week – thanks for your on-going support.

Arohanui –

Bernadette Murfitt
Principal

Lost: *Aarjun* Rm 1 has lost his named shirt last week, after changing for ASB Sports. Please check your child's shirt.



Suzanne Aubert: The Sisters of Compassion and the Catholic Parish of Wellington South invite you to celebrate the 182nd anniversary of Suzanne Aubert's birth.

COMMEMORATIVE BIRTHDAY MASS

6pm Monday 19 June 2017

St Anne's Church, Newtown

Come and join us for this special celebration. Hospitality to follow in St Anne's Hall. For more information contact heritagecentre@compassion.org.nz or (04) 282 1953.

Photos from our Samoan Language week assembly:



Fr James

One of the prayers offered by Jesus before his Ascension, was for the protection and guidance of his followers [see John 17]. In this prayer he says, *I have made your name known to those you gave me from the world.* [vs 6]. The Hebrew understanding of *name* was *presence*, the presence of the person. Jesus was able to leave his followers with a deep awareness of the presence of God in their lives. In this awareness they would find the strength, confidence and courage to remain faithful.

When we call someone's name we also summon their presence. Even if that person is absent, the name alone brings them close. Your name, and mine, relates to our essence, our dignity, and our holiness as a child of God. Think on this when you next speak the name of your partner, children, or friends. You touch the inner part of their identity and their presence honours your own. When you realise this, naming someone becomes a prayer.

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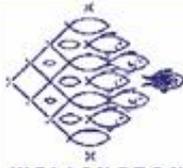
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