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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

18 October 2017 Week 01 Term 4

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."**

**Chinese Language week** – This week we are celebrating Chinese Language Week by participating in a range of activities which will be focused on Chinese Art, language and culture. We have been very fortunate to receive a grant from the Asia New Zealand Foundation to fund activities students will be participating in.

**Welcome** to Po who is a teacher from Thailand and is with us for the next 3 weeks. We look forward to learning from Po about education in Thailand and I am sure Po will learn from the staff and students here about our New Zealand Education system.

**U Learn- Our staff were very fortunate to attend an E-Learning Conference in Hamilton over the break. Staff were equipped with a range of e-learning strategies that they can bring back into classrooms to enhance the learning process.**

**Summer uniform:** During the first 2 weeks of this term children can come to school to school either in full winter or full summer uniform – as there can still be the occasional cold day! From Monday 30 October full summer uniform will be worn by all children. Sun hats are required for Term 4. We have a 'no hats no play' policy. Sun hats can be purchased from the office - \$15.00 each.

**Warm Pacific greetings:** Come and join us for our last Pasifika gathering for 2017, a Talanoa Evening next Wednesday 25 October from 5.00-6.30pm in Rm 9. Please bring a plate of food to share. This will be an opportunity to:

- hear from a few of our Pasifika students about what they enjoy about Sacred Heart;
- meet Sera and Trudy, the two Pasifika members on our Board of Trustees;
- have a talanoa about how we as Pasifika families of Sacred Heart Cathedral School can use 2017 to look ahead to 2018 to ensure our children continue to achieve their education aspirations.

The **Friends of Sacred Heart** is meeting at 7.30pm on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October, in the staff room to discuss the busy Term 4 calendar. Many hands make light work and it would be great to have more members of our wonderful school community involved in this group. For more info email Amanda ([amandagregan@hotmail.com](mailto:amandagregan@hotmail.com)) or Nicola ([nicola.nation@gmail.com](mailto:nicola.nation@gmail.com)), or join us on the night.

**Ball roll:** Sacred Heart Cathedral School has an i-pad to give away to one lucky winner! To be in with a chance to win this fantastic prize FoSH is organising a "ball roll". Look out for details coming home next week. Balls will cost \$4 each, or 5 for \$20. All proceeds to our playground development. Good luck!

**Literacy Made Easy & Literacy through the Arts:** Special thanks to all staff and especially to Christine Geraghty who coordinated the evening. We were delighted with the feedback we received from families. It was a great opportunity to showcase what the students have been learning in their classrooms as well as some of the spectacular initiatives our students can choose to participate in.

**Student Council preparing soup for Literacy Evening:**



**Literacy Through the Arts Concert**



**Netball End of Season Prizegiving:** Thanks to all our coaches, managers and committee members who ensured our children had an awesome netball season. It was so good to see the progress that was made by all teams throughout the season. Thank you.

The following children received **'Most Improved Player' certificates** for the season:

**Taylah:** Rm 5 Jiddles Yr 5 team, **Larissa** Rm 6 Lightning Yr 6 team, **Amy** Rm 9 Emeralds Yr 7 team, **Alyse** Rm 9 Jades Yr 7 team, **Grace** Rm 9 Saints Yr 8 team.

The following children received **'Most Valuable Player' certificates** for the season:

**Annie** Rm 7 Jiddles Yr 5 team, **Maia** Rm t Lightning Yr 6 team, **Emma** Rm 8 Emeralds Yr 7 team, **Phoebe** Rm 9 Jades Yr 7 team, **Anna** Rm 10 Saints Yr 8 team

**Junior school orchestra at St Mary's College:** The whole school was invited over to St Mary's on the last day of Term 3, to listen to their Junior school orchestra concert. "They were a fantastic audience, so well behaved and enthusiastic with answering questions and trying instruments!"

**Emina Steedman, Music teacher St Mary's College.**

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

**MERIT: Sasha R5, Cara R6, Kathryn R8, Jacob R8, Martin R9, Edie R8, Toby R8, Lydia R9, Jasmine R8.**

**CREDIT: Maia R5, Nathan R6, Charlize R6, Julianne R6, Andre R8, Miguel R10, Allexia R9, Wilson-Jack R10, Antonia R9, Grace R9, Oliver R10.**



## Coming Events

16-22 Oct: NZ Chinese Language week.

Mon 23 Oct: **Labour Day – Public Holiday.**

Tue 24 Oct: New Parents' Night. 5.30pm.

Wed 25 Oct: Pasifika Talanoa Evening 5pm  
BOT meeting 7.30pm

Sun 29 Oct: **What NOW** screening  
30 Oct -5 Nov: Fijian Language Week.

Mon 30 Oct: 1pm Rhythm interactive.

Wed 1 Nov: All Saints Day

Thu 2 Nov: All Souls Day

Fri 17 Nov: Grandparents' Liturgy 1.30pm.

## Welcome:

A warm welcome to **Layana, Hazel** and **Reid** who all started in Room 4, at our school on the first day of Term 4.

**What Now School Takeover that was filmed at our school last term will be screened on SUNDAY 29 OCTOBER on the What Now tv show!**

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The Warehouse Tory Street Bags for Good Neighbourhood at The Warehouse Tory Street: When you shop at the Tory Street Warehouse store you can grab a token at the checkout and place your token in the voting unit for Sacred Heart Cathedral School from **August to January period**. Funds raised will go towards our playground. We are very appreciative to The Warehouse for making this fundraising activity possible.

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**DISTINCTION:** Victoria R5, Aidan R6, Eva R6, Gabrielle R9, Matthew R9, Ryan R9, Amy R9.

**HIGH DISTINCTION:** Yasha R5, Emma R8, Elizabeth R8.



**Toby & Kaelin**

**Congratulations** to **Toby** Rm 8 and **Kaelin** Rm 10, who were part of the Wellington Primary Schools' rugby rep team that **won** the Southern North Island primary schools tournament during the first week of the holidays. Well played **Toby** and **Kaelin**.

**Congratulations** to **Edie** Rm 8, who came a very close **SECOND** in the Interprovincial cross-country event in Timaru last term. The top three were all from Wellington and were within 3 seconds of each other. (The winner of the AIMS games was from Canterbury and came 4th). Wellington won the shield overall so a great result all round!

**Lost:** Danielle Rm 3 has lost her named black puffer jacket. Please check your child's jacket.



**Edie (left) on the podium.**

**Students waiting for siblings after school.** I have asked students to sit and wait quietly for siblings outside Room 2. Please note school finishes at 2.40 pm, and after 3.10pm there is no formal supervision for students. There is After School Care available at \$15.00 per session for a casual attendee. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

We look forward to another action packed term.

Arohanui  
Bernadette Murfitt  
Principal

**Wellington Collegians Junior Cricket Club:** Online enrolments are still open for Nursery grade (school years 0 and 1) and the Girls Only Sunday grade (school years 5-8). The girls only league starts on Nov 12. Check out <https://wellingtoncollegians.org/pages/juniors> for further info and how to register. Registrations for other grades have now closed for 2017/18.

**Marrzipan drama class:** *Is your child shy? Do they feel intimidated by the idea of public speaking and performance? Do they sometimes find it difficult to make eye contact? Do they just need dedicated time per week to just be CRAZY?! Come and join the revolutionary self-confidence programme - Marrzipan! We run awesome classes at school, which focus on key life skills and public speaking ability. We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term once to parents and once to the school. All scripts are original, engaging, educational and HILARIOUS. You can sign your child up for a Trial Lesson via our website [www.marrzipandrama.co.nz](http://www.marrzipandrama.co.nz) (we have contact numbers on there too, should you prefer to talk to a human!)*

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- Language resources available to support parents at home.
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- Spanish classes are waiting to start depending on class numbers.
- New: Easy online registration

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#### **KELLY SPORTS TERM 4 - STARTS TUESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2017**

Kelly Sports encourages children to have fun, build confidence and to give sport a go. We believe that sport and physical activity has so much to offer young people; it improves fitness, develops communication skills, team work and gives them a place to channel their energy.

**Summer Fun in the Sun!** (Yrs 1-4) - Tuesdays 2.45pm-3.45pm. Come and try **Football, Tball, Athletics and Basketball**. It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play. Learn the fundamental skills for all sports - throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more - all while having a great time! For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit [www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) email [adminwgtm@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:adminwgtm@kellysports.co.nz) or call 04 972 7201.

**Kelly Sports summer netball:** Hot on the heels of the winter netball season comes Kelly Sports summer netball! I would like to see if there is any interest for a Scared Heart team/s in the summer league in Karori. Details as follows: Friday from 3.45pm-6.45pm (final game starts) (the year 7/8 games will be later games). From 20 October - 15 December 2017 and 2 February - 23 March 2018. Venue either Samuel Marsden School, Marsden Ave, Karori or Victoria University Courts, Donald Street, Karori. Cost: if 8 in a team, approx. \$96 for the season. Games are 2 x 13 minute halves

I am just looking for an indication at this stage as to whether it is something your child would be keen to do. Ideally we would have a year 5/6 team and a year 7/8 team. If you are interested, please email [suzanneadair@hotmail.com](mailto:suzanneadair@hotmail.com) with name and year of your child.

I'll let you know if there is enough interest to form a team for each year grouping. Please note that Kelly Sports do offer summer netball for younger players if anyone else wants to pick this up and enter a team.

**Fr James is back!**

Many of you will remember Thomas Primrose, a teacher at our school. He married Emma last December and is now teaching in London, England. I spent time with them during my recent holiday. Thomas showed me his school in Notting Hill and they took me to dinner at an Italian restaurant nearby. While they have settled well into their new surroundings and careers (Emma is a lawyer), they retain a special affection for their homeland.

Thomas speaks so highly of his time at Sacred Heart and of the teachers and students he was with. He found a loyalty and warmth here that helped his own character formation, and the faith dimension evident in the school helped anchor his own beliefs. This is a particularly fine witness and says much about how our experiences influence our attitudes and outlook on life.

As this year draws closer towards its end, take a look back at your own involvement in school, at home, at work.

What makes you feel proud and content? And, in the time to come, what will still be thankful for?

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