



Sacred Heart Cathedral School

Te Kura Ahurewa o te Ngākau Tapu

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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

1 November 2017 Week 03 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."

Fijian Language Week: 30 Oct - 5 Nov

Special thanks to Maria Tamata, Lynda's aunty, who taught our children Fijian songs, phrases, the alphabet and numbers. We have a beautiful Fijian display on the library doors thanks to Mrs Maresca.



"I found my aunty's talk really easy to understand and fun to listen to. I have a connection with Fiji through my family and have visited Fiji. The Fijian people are really friendly and joyful." Lynda Rm 7.

Talanoa Evening: Thanks to **Trudy and Sera** from our Board who ran a fantastic evening as to how we can continue to assist families in achieving educational aspirations.

What Now: The school was showcased in a positive light. Feedback from the producer was that there was so much quality footage they were spoilt for choice in terms of what went to air. **What Now School Takeover:** If you missed the show on Sunday here is the link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D072AcnV8R4&feature=push-u-sub&attr_tag=foJMiAdS1X63ysP8-6

Thanks from the SPCA "Dear Sacred Heart Cathedral School, thank you for helping Wellington SPCA achieve its vision...to end animal cruelty, neglect and unwanted animals. Your bake sale and donation ensures we can give every animal an opportunity we believe they deserve - to find a family and home to call their own." Steve Glassey Chief Executive Officer SPCA Wellington.



Market & Mufti Day: What an amazing day we had. The Senior students were incredible with their design of exciting activities. What a great line up of stalls- cakes, candyfloss, sausage sizzle, raffles, slime

games, scooter and ball activities, all carried out on a beautiful day in the capital. Thanks again to our generous families -approximately \$800.00 was raised for the Cathedral Parish and Parents and Friends for our playground. Thanks also to Jane Regan and the staff who co-ordinated this great event.



Rhythm Interactive: Monday afternoon Connolly Hall was rocking to the sound and beat of 250 drums. This was an amazing experience for our students and staff who together created a fantastic performance. The students were also exposed to a mix of looping and electronic gadgets.

"I was drumming the right way and when I did it with the rest of the school it sounded lovely. It was loud and sounded great." Joshua Room 3

SchoolRebates.co.nz is a Kiwi company that helps parents easily claim back school donations. Click on the link or copy and paste the link into your browser for more information.



Dr Rickson, Senior Lecturer from Victoria University School of Music, visited our school orchestra. She has a special interest in children's music.

Coming Events

- Wed 1 Nov:** All Saints Day-
- Thu 2 Nov:** 9.15am In the Cathedral - All welcome All Souls Day Mass
- Fri 3 Nov:** Year 8 Leavers' dinner, 5pm Connolly Hall
- Thu 9 Nov:** Central Zone Athletics
- Wed 15 Nov:** Cultural Festival at Mt Cook School 12.30-2.15pm
- Thu 16 Nov:** Year 8 girls 2nd vaccination
- Fri 17 Nov:** Grandparents' Liturgy 1.30pm
- Wed 22 Nov:** Interzone Athletics
- Fri 24 Nov:** Mufti Day -please bring an item to go in our Xmas hamper. School Disco
- Wed 29 Nov:** Juniors to Aotea Lagoon 9.30am-2.30pm
- Wed 6 Dec:** Advance notice - **Thank you morning tea- 10.30am all welcome**
- Tue 12 Dec:** Kapa Haka Day
- Wed 13 Dec:** Seniors to the Zoo 9.30am-1.15pm
- Thu 14 Dec:** End of Year Mass 6.15pm Cathedral

2018 Term Dates

- Term 1:** Wed 31 Jan-Fri 13 Apr
- Term 2:** Mon 30 Apr-Fri 6 July
- Term 3:** Mon 23 July-Fri 28 Sept
- Term 4:** Mon 15 Oct-Fri 14 Dec



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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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Year 8 Leavers' Dinner: The Parents and Friends group have organised a Year 8 Leavers' Gathering on Friday 3 November, 5pm at Connolly Hall. Here is what you need to know:

- Please rsvp, if you haven't already, to foshcs@gmail.com to help with set up. This is an informal gathering for students and families (siblings are invited too) to come together and catch up before leaving Sacred Heart. The formal event is the Mass on 14 Dec.
- Please bring a plate of food to share – this can be either a main, a vegetable dish, a salad **OR** a dessert. It can be finger or eat-with-a-fork food. We will supply plates, forks, serviettes, cups, tea & coffee.
- BYO cold drinks for your family. This is a **no alcohol** event.
- Dress code: Smart casual (students do not need to wear uniforms)

Please contact Deirdre Hanlon with any queries -- 021 0798290

Xmas hamper – the Parents & Friends Group are organising a Xmas hamper to raffle off. A mufti day will be held on Friday 24 November – children will be asked to bring an item for the Xmas hamper.

Year 8 Boys summer soccer: The Year 8 Sacred Heart Fairies beat Pitch Perfect 8:1. **Jacob** Rm8 was **player of the day**.



Thank you
and farewell
to Po. We
wish you a
safe journey
back to
Thailand.



No Parking outside the Cathedral:

A general reminder and request for parents not to park outside the Cathedral to drop off or pick up children.

There will be a funeral taking place in the Cathedral this Friday afternoon so any available parking will be reserved for funeral parking. Thank you.

Look forward to seeing you at Mass tomorrow. Special thanks for all your positivity and support. We are well and truly heading towards the end of the school year. The days are getting warmer – please make sure your child has a sunhat.

Arohanui
Bernadette Murfitt
Principal

Sanitarium TRYathlon: The Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon will be held at Kilbirnie Park on 18 March 2018. It is designed for Kiwi kids aged 7-15 years to help them stay active and healthy through a programme of participation. Participants get to swim, cycle, and run their way around age appropriate courses, either as an individual or as part of a team of two. This year we had almost 20 Sacred Heart children participate so, for 2018, we have registered Sacred Heart Cathedral School. By registering as a school you receive a discount when registering and you go in the draw to win prizes for our school. If you are planning on registering your child for the 2018 TRYathlon, please register via our school group link using my details as the school coordinator (Suzanne Adair, suzanneadair@hotmail.com):
<https://registration.tryathlon.co.nz/Home/Event/29/Package/0/Wave/0/Sequence/0/School/d8ac34e7-d7c6-4ae8-9f2f-934b2687b1ba>

Fr James

We all like to know what people say about us. Their observations and experiences with us can help our self-understanding. Jesus was no exception in wanting this kind of information. "Who do people say I am?" he asked the apostles. There were several impressions, but Peter finally said, *You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God!*"

In the Hebrew world, the title *Christ* signified the Lord of the Cosmos, the One who would reconcile humankind with its Creator. Such a belief would be life-changing for those who held it. The same question is asked of everyone who seeks to follow Jesus. Who is he to you? Your response will reflect how well you know him, and indicate how well you *want* to know him.

If, for you and me, Jesus is the Christ of God, the one who was to come into the world, then that belief will show itself in our way of life. Worship, prayer and service will be key components in our daily/weekly programme. Little by little, as our knowledge of who Jesus is increases, our desire "to love and to serve" will find real purpose, and make a real difference to us, our family, and our community.

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