



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

15 November 2017 Week 05 Term 4

Hello, Kia Ora, Talofa lava, Namaste, Mabuhay, Ciao, Kia Orana, Ahalan, Kon-nichiwa, Ni hao, Salam, 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."

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.

CORE Education have loaned the school 19 iPads for our students to use for the next four weeks. We are really enjoying this fabulous experience.



"Thank you to Geraldine Irinco, who came and spoke with the Middle Syndicate about her role as Special Minister in the Church. The children had lots of questions to ask about the special service that she does for our Church."

Central Zone Athletics: Special thanks to Ann, John and Clare who organised the Central Zone athletics for our children. The following children have qualified for the **Inter Zone athletics**, placings are from the **Central Zone athletics competition:**

Year 4: **Victoria** Short sprints 3rd, Long sprints 2nd. **Carlos** Short Sprints 3rd, Long sprints 3rd, Long Jump 1st. **Taylah** Vortex 3rd. **Year 4 boys' relay:** **Carlos, Harley, Owen, Kymani and Zymone** 1st.

Year 5: **Lynda** Short sprints 1st, Long sprints 1st, Long jump 1st, 800m 1st, Vortex 1st. **Charlize** Long Sprints 3rd, **Katie** 800m 3rd.

Year 6: **Maisie** Long jump 3rd.

Year 7: **Sabrina** Short sprints 1st, Long sprints 1st, Long jump 3rd, Shot put 2nd.

Phoebe Short sprints 3rd. **Jena** Long jump 2nd. **Eden** Discus 2nd, Shot put 1st. **Esther** Shot put 3rd. **Luc** 1500m 3rd. **Sam** Vortex 3rd.

Year 8: **Hannah** Short sprints 1st, Long sprints 2nd. **Edie** Long sprints 1st, Short sprints 3rd, 1500m 1st, Long jump 3rd. **Lesina** Shot put 2nd. **Riona** Vortex 3rd.

Samson Long sprints 2nd. **Year 7 girls' relay:** **Sabrina, Phoebe, Esther, Eden** 1st.



Year 4 girls' relay team came 3rd.



Thanks to Mr Turley who has been helping the 'Engineering Group' make planter boxes and vertical garden boxes.

Wanted – budding actors for nativity play. Now is your chance to shine! We're looking for a Mary, Joseph, wise men, angels and shepherds! The parish of Sacred Heart wants children who are interested in taking part in the annual Christmas nativity play on 17 December to get in touch. If you can be at mass for the two proceeding Sundays so we can practice and are keen to take part please contact Amanda Gregan on 027 9399 575 or amandagregan@hotmail.com

Welcome afternoon tea for Room 1 and 4 families - Monday 20 November 2pm: On 20 November at 2pm, Room 2 families are hosting an afternoon tea for all new room 1 and 4 parents in 2017. This will be a great chance to catch up and meet new families at our school. Siblings are welcome and the school children will join us at 2.40pm. If the weather is fine, the afternoon tea will take place on the upper court area and, if it is raining, it will be in the staffroom. We look forward to seeing you there. Friends of Sacred Heart Committee.

Coming Events

Thu 16 Nov: Year 8 boys and girls 2nd vaccination

Fri 17 Nov: Ball roll midday
Grandparents' Liturgy 1.30pm

Mon 20 Nov: Powhiri for new families. 1.15pm
- 2pm: Rm 2 parents hosting afternoon tea for Rm 1 & 4 families.

Wed 22 Nov: Inter Zone Athletics

Fri 24 Nov: Mufti Day –please bring an item to go in our Xmas hamper.

- **School Disco:**

Juniors: 6.15-7.15pm

Middles: 7.30-8.30pm

Seniors: 8.00-9.00pm

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

Fri 15 Dec: School finishes at 1pm for the year.

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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Making paper mosaic art in Rm 6



Technology Challenge in Rm 10 Using scissors, 6 marshmallows and 6 pieces of spaghetti to make a tower.

We are extremely grateful to the Archdiocese of Wellington who have now completed the fencing project around the school property and have made compliant and safe the balustrade outside Room 3. Keeping our students safe is number one for us all.

Archdiocese of Wellington / Cathedral Parish Driveway Repairs: From 8am next Monday until Friday 24 November remedial work on the driveway in front of the Cathedral foyer entrance will allow no vehicle and limited pedestrian access. We ask that parents not use this area as a drop off or collection point for children at any time – please park in Hill St, Molesworth St or Hawkestone St. There will also be restricted parking for weekday Masses. Entrance to the Cathedral will be via the main doors. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your understanding.

We are looking forward to our Grandparents liturgy on Friday as we all Grandparents hold a special place in the lives of their grandchildren. Look forward to see you on Friday.

*There's a special kind of love that grandchildren have for their grandparents.
It's filled with respect for their wisdom and accomplishments;
With gratitude for the values they've given us...with delight in the stories of our family that they remember and share.
It's a special kind of love that's built on a lifetime of caring and giving.
It's the kind of love that's felt for you my dear grandparent, today and always.
(Courtesy of Grandparents Association, Westport, Co. Mayo)*

Thanks for your on-going support.

Arohanui
Bernadette Murfitt
Principal

Piano – FREE to a good home: An upright wooden piano brand Beale in good condition, very heavy and will need to be collected. If you are interested please contact Ophelie on 027 5995252.

Lost & Found: Emma from Rm 8 has lost her named black Kathmandu puffer jacket. Please check your child's jacket. A green snapper card in a clear hard plastic keyring type 'thing' has been handed into the office. If your child has lost a green snapper card. please ask them to see Cathv in the office.

Fr James

Each year during Lent our Cathedral School and Parish enrol children for the First Communion programme. This builds on the first of the sacraments, Baptism, adding Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist, to fully initiate into the Church.

The 2017 session is well underway, with First Communion scheduled this month. Bringing a new generation to appreciate the Eucharist presupposes a love of this beautiful sacrament in those leading the children, namely the parents. Last week I wrote about St Peter Julian's devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, and I believe this is a way for all of us to rekindle wonder at the gift of God's presence in Jesus.

Regular visits to the cathedral chapel to gaze silently at the Tabernacle, to talk quietly with Jesus there, will profoundly enrich your faith. Encouraging children to do this with you, and later on their own, is the best tutorial in preparing them to meet and hold their Risen Lord in Communion.

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