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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

11 April 2018 Week 11 Term 1

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



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

First Reconciliation: Congratulations to *Therese* and *Rocks* (both from Rm 5) who also made their First Reconciliation on Sunday 25 March. Our apologies for missing them off the list last week.

Commonwealth Games at Sacred Heart Cathedral School: This will happen tomorrow in the afternoon. Sports captains and senior leaders in our school will be running a series of activities. Each team will be allocated a country. Middles and senior children can wear their PE uniform, Junior syndicate children can wear sports mufti – t-shirt & shorts and shoes suitable for running in. Parents are most welcome to come and watch. It starts at 1.15pm. If the weather is not kind we will try for Friday or early next term. Special thanks to Mrs Stephen and senior student leaders who are organising this event.

Friday 13 April: The Student Council are organising a fundraiser for the Cancer Society – students can wear mufti and are welcome to make a small donation to an organisation that provides a lot of support for many people within our community.

2018/2019 Entertainment book: Books will be coming home next term on Thursday 3rd May. If you do not want a book sent home please let Cathy know either by email: cathy@sacred-heart.school.nz or ph: 04 4724047. Purchases can be made now online

https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/10428y2
The school receives
\$13 from each book sold. Money raised will go towards purchasing IT devices for children to use in the classrooms.



School Holiday Parking: During each school holiday break, part of the school playground is made available for casual parking. The fee is \$10.00 per day. This fee should be paid directly to the Cathedral Bank Account: 02 0536 0003242 027 and include Car Park and your

Vehicle Registration Plate Number as references. This fee is part of a much larger fundraising effort and all payments will go towards Sacred Heart Cathedral Earthquake Strengthening and refurbishment. Once paid please place a note in your windscreen saying when you paid and for how long. If you have any questions then please contact the Cathedral Parish Secretary, Frank Doherty on (04) 496 1700. Your honesty and support are much appreciated.

Advanced notice: Parent Cyber Information Evening 11 June 5-6pm: Focus on Social Media. Please enter this in your diaries!



Debbie & Sam L Rm 5 at our Easter Liturgy

Deadline extended for gala responses!! We are still waiting to hear from some of you regarding any donations or help you can offer the Friends and Parents for the School Mini Gala on 27 May from 11:30am. We're looking for both adult and children's books and games in good condition only please. Please keep your items at home for now and we'll let you know when we're accepting these. For now, just keep this in mind if you're doing any clean outs of unwanted items. Don't forget indicating any baking you might be able to do also! For our raffle, if you have a business, service, a

talent or simply time to contribute, we'd like to hear from you. If you've misplaced your form and will still like to contribute please contact Amanda Gregan on 027 9399 575 or amandagregan@hotmail.com. The gala will be held inside Connolly Hall after 10:30am Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Sunday, 27 May. If the weather is good we will spread ourselves out a bit more in the courtyard and of course the playground will be available for the children.

Term 2 Day 1 Powhiri: If you were new to Sacred Heart Cathedral School in Term 1 2018 and happened to miss the Term 1 Powhiri, you and your family are

Coming Events

Thu 12 Apr: Commonwealth Games at Sacred Heart 1.15pm start.

Fri 13 Apr: Mufti Day Student Council Fundraiser End of Term 1.

Mon 30 Apr: Term 2 begins.

Tue 15 May: School photos

Mon 11 June: Parent Cyber Information Evening 5-6pm.

Term Dates for 2018:

Term 1: Wed 31 Jan – Fri 13 Apr Term 2: Mon 30 Apr – Fri 6 Jul Term 3: Mon 23 Jul – Fri 28 Sep Term 4: Mon 15 Oct – Fri 14 Dec

Student Corner:

A roving report from Sabrina Rm 9 and Leah Rm 9:

"We had a short week last week and managed to get outside for PE. The weather has changed and we have been inside for quite a bit of this week. The Juniors look really cute today because they are dressed up as their favourite "Superheroes". This week we have been learning about what ANZAC day really means. It is very hard to believe what people went through during the war. We feel grateful that we live in 2018 and in a very safe country. The middles have been busy fundraising for different organisations."





invited to attend the Powhiri on Monday 30 April.

Winter Uniform Term 2. Students are required to wear winter uniform for terms 2 and 3. For all your uniform requirements please see Robyn at After School Care or call her on 04 4736361— we have a little bit of second hand uniform to give away — you are most welcome to take it- it is down in the After School Care room under the TV. The school tie can be purchased from the office for \$25.00.

What a fabulous term we have all had – action packed and lots of fantastic learning experiences. Have a well-earned break over the holidays and we look forward to seeing the children on Monday 30 April.

Arohanui – Bernadette Murfitt, Principal

Parish Gift Discernment Workshop

"What you are is a gift from God, but what you become is your gift to God." (St Augustine of Hippo)

Gift discernment is a helpful process for those who would like to be involved in their church but may not know what they have to offer, or comprehend their giftedness.

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." (1 Peter 4:10). Do you know what your gifts are? Would you like to explore this concept of giftedness, and discern where your giftedness lies?

Your parish leadership teams invite you to join them from 2-5.00pm on Saturday 5th May in Connolly Hall for a Gift Discernment Workshop run by Lorraine McArthur from the Archdiocesan Offices. Please register your interest to Frank Doherty f.doherty@wn.catholic.org.nz

Parish Gift Discernment Workshop

What gets you up in the morning? What gives you joy and a sense of fulfilment? Could be you are acting out of your giftedness? Join us at the Gift Discernment workshop to explore your areas of giftedness and how you are called to offer and share them in love with your family, your church, and your community. Please register for the workshop on 5 May, 2-5pm at Connolly Hall with Frank Doherty f.doherty@wn.catholic.org.nz



School holiday programmes-Junior Rangers and Te Kakanau-The Seed: Junior Rangers can report for duty these school holidays, every Monday- Friday (except ANZAC Day) from 11-3. Get in behind the scenes with our Rangers and learn about caring for our birds and our forest. We will look at our insects, plants and eco-systems. \$30 per child per day (age 5 - 9 years old) includes a packed lunch from Wild Cafe (filled roll or sausage in a bun,fruit, homemade biscuit) plus water. We prefer the Junior Rangers join our programme without their adult

however when you bring your Junior Rangers to Pukaha you can enjoy a FREE coffee in our Wild Café and go and enjoy a walk around the park for half-price while waiting for the Junior Rangers to come off duty. Pukaha is now offering a sepearte programme for 10-14 year olds-Te kakanau-the seed, will be offered on Wednesday 11-3pm of the first week and Tuesday 11-3pm of the second week. This programme takes it up a notch for your older, keen kid conservationist and starts to explore tracking, trapping and restoration at a more advanced level. All he usual behind the scenes ranger fun will still be part of this awesome day. \$20 per day. They are required to bring their own lunch and the right outdoor gear as this programme runs rain or shine. Spaces are limited and bookings are essential. Book now at info@pukaha.org.nz or give us a call on 06 375 8004



Fr James

This year the feast of the Annunciation was last Monday. The proper date is 25 March which, in 2018, coincided with Palm Sunday. The Annunciation marks the moment when Mary gave her "Yes" to Gabriel's message that she would "conceive and bear a son to be called Jesus". There was fear and uncertainty in Mary as she gave her consent. She was beginning a journey on which "a sword would pierce her soul", but she had no way of knowing what lay ahead. She was a person of the deepest trust which would give her the confidence to later say to the Cana wedding servants: "Do whatever he (Jesus) tells you." She says the same to us.

Mary's trust is especially celebrated in this season of Easter. Coming out of the darkness of Calvary, the light of resurrection dawned, and what could not be understood earlier now made perfect sense. Mary is the model for anyone struggling with decisions concerning their life or the lives of those dear to them. She stands with you, asking only that you trust in the God who is love, to guide and protect you in all your ways.



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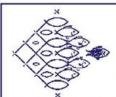
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