



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

3 May 2018 Week 1 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."

We hope that you have had a great break over the holidays. We look forward to another exciting term with lots of great learning experiences planned. As a staff we are very appreciative of the enormous support and positive encouragement we get from our parent community. We had a beautiful powhiri on Monday to welcome our new families and students to our school community.



Over the holiday period the much loved fort was made safe and the artificial turf area was completed with "hop ons". We hope to have the new playground and turf fully installed over the next couple of months. We have been very fortunate to have received a \$20,000 grant from First Sovereign for artificial turf. This generous donation has significantly added to our community raised funds. We have one final push for our "playground fundraiser" with our up-coming mini gala on 27th May so we can complete phase one of this project. An email was sent out yesterday to all parents with a flyer attached, regarding this. Special thanks to the parent team who are organising this event for us.

Parental Leave position for Room 3 to cover Mrs Moore

We are pleased to announce that Sarah James will be joining the team here at Sacred Heart Cathedral School.

Sarah James is originally from Wales in the UK and qualified as a teacher in Primary Education in 2010. Since then Sarah has taught in schools in the Manchester area of England gaining much experience in delivering quality teaching. Sarah moved to Wellington in February, having visited New Zealand previously in 2015, and has spent the last term relieving in schools across the region. She loves musical theatre, hiking, travel and has spent a lot of time visiting various countries for holidays, work and volunteer projects too! Sarah is excited to be joining Sacred Heart Cathedral School and is looking forward to making a positive impact upon the students' education.

2018/2019 Entertainment book: Books will be sent home hopefully on Friday.

Thanks to the parents who have already purchased a book online and also to the parents who have contacted Cathy to let her know that you do not want a book sent home. 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.

2019 Enrolments CLOSE on 31 July 2018: If you have a child due to start school next year, please ensure that you have submitted a completed enrolment form along with a completed Preference Certificate and attendance dues agreement form, to the school by 31 July 2018. If you are unsure whether you have already submitted an enrolment form please contact Cathy in the office either by email: cathy@sacred-heart.school.nz or by phone: 04 4724047 and she will be able to check and let you know.

Advanced notice: Parent Cyber Information Sessions: We will be holding the same session at two different times.

June 5 June 12-1pm ASC room and 11 June 5-6pm in Room 9: Focus on

Coming Events

8, 9,& 10 May: Bernadette at St Anthony's participating in a Catholic Character review.

Wed 9 May – Mothers Day Liturgy 9.15am in the Cathedral.

- Pasifika meeting 5-6pm
This is being led by Trudy and Sera from our Board of Trustees.

- 7.30 pm BOT meeting.

Tue 15 May: School photos.

Fri 18 May: Mufti Day for school gala – tombola item.

Mon 21 May: Mary Liturgy 9.15 Cathedral All welcome.

Sun 27 May: Parents and Friends Mini Gala

Tue 5 June: Parent Cyber Safety Info meeting 12-1pm ASC room.

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

Tue 19 Jun: **Advance warning Paid Union Meeting** –We would appreciate it if students could get picked up at 1 pm.

Thu 28 Jun: Whole school Marae visit.

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

Te Ao Marama Rm 9 and Julian Rm 8:

"It has been really nice to come back to school after a two week break to see our friends and socialise with one another again. As a school, we have been preparing for the Mother's Day Liturgy next week and we have started training for Cross Country. We have all noticed that it is starting to get a little bit cooler we are really pleased that our classrooms are nice and warm."

Social Media. Please enter this in your diaries!

Health Consultation: You will be receiving this via a google form we would really appreciate your feedback.

Special thanks for all your ongoing support.

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

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

Tennis Lessons: Tennis starts up for Term 2 on Friday, 4 May at lunchtime at school. The fee is \$135 payable to Westpac 030584 0186127 00. Please contact me if you would like your child to participate. Many thanks, Tony Naughton Ph 384 5233.



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KELLY SPORTS TERM 2 2018: Kelly Sports will be back in Term 2 with their fun and exciting classes.

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Fr James

Welcome back to a brand-new Term! I have something new myself – a newly improved eye! During your holiday I had a cornea graft. The surgery replaces a diseased part of the eye to allow clearer vision, but it requires a donor. Someone has been generous enough to agree that, after their death, this part of their body is given to assist the health of another person. I am now the beneficiary of such a gift and I am very grateful.

That the procedure happened during the Easter season boosted my appreciation of dying and rising, and of the huge difference between darkness and light. The cloudiness over my left eye lifted slowly as the new cornea took hold. The light increased, I could see more clearly. Joy and thanksgiving dominated my feelings. The gift of life is a gift from God. That gift is blessed and nurtured through our love and support of one another. I know better now what that means.

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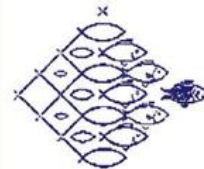


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