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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

20 June 2018 Week 8 Term 2

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.



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NZ Catholic Education Convention: Last week Jane, Sue and myself attended the Catholic Convention for three days. At the Catholic Convention, we were joined by Catholic educators, Bishops, priests, trustees and others who are part of our national Catholic

education system. Within our Catholic schools we educate over 66,000 children. We have remarkable schools, which are closely aligned with the mission of the church. Throughout the convention, we have had the privilege of being able to strengthen our sense of community and renewal in our mission. It has been a privilege to hear both international and national speakers support and challenge us on the theme of "Christs call to us to love, to be and to do". Special mention must be made to members of our school community and wider school community – Jules Hickey – who talked about the wonderful work Caritas does, Anne Kennedy sharing about the development of our New RE curriculum and Deidre Hanlon who conducted tours for delegates following the footsteps of Suzanne Aubert.

"Thank You for your generosity in supporting our refugee family. Through your generous donations we were able to help a family out with a range of goods to set up an entire house. We gathered pillows duvets, blankets, pots, pans, toys and books, items for a bathroom and laundry. The list goes on ... together we have put our



faith into action and have helped a new family begin a fresh start in New Zealand." Halia, Sophia and Alex – Student Altar Serving Leaders

A BIG THANK YOU also for your generous support of our mufti day which raised \$452.70. Your support has been hugely appreciated.

Mid-Year Learning Conference, bookings now open Mon 2 July & Wed 4 July: Our teachers are currently writing school reports these will come home on Friday 22 June. Please click on this link to book a time to meet with your child's teacher. Children are welcome to attend these sessions with you.

https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code?code=4f3gs

If you have problems with the link, an alternative way to book a session is to go to: <a href="https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au">www.schoolinterviews.com.au</a> and enter the event code: 4f3gs

Any questions, please contact Cathy in the office on (04) 4724047.

**School app:** A reminder that we now have a school app:



To get this app go to the App Store on your Apple or Android device and search 'SchoolAppsNZ' to download the app onto your device. Then search 'Sacred Heart Cathedral School' to find your school's app.

You will be able to send in 'absentee' information from this app and receive the latest 'alerts' and notices from the school.

#### **Netball Results:**

**Year 5 Turtles** played Newtown Tigers and lost 12;4. Player of the day was awarded to *Claudia* Rm 7.

**Year 6 Ferns** played Hataitai and won 16:6. Player of the day was awarded to **Charlize** Rm 7.

#### **Coming Events**

Wed 20 June - Pasifika Meeting 5:00 - 6:00pm

**Thu 21 June** - Inter Zone Cross Country postponement date.

Fri 22 June - school reports sent home.

Wed 23 June - Jnr Celebration of Learning 2:10pm at school.

**Thu 28 June** - Whole school Marae visit.

- Year 6 students Marae sleepover.

Mon 2 July and Wed 4 July - Mid-Year Learning Conferences. An interim report will be shared outlining progress made to date. Children are welcome to attend these with their parents. Please book a time that suits.

Tue 3 July - Come to school dressed as your favourite book character. Student council will be holding a \$2 sausage sizzle.

Fri 6 July - Term 2 ends usual time of 2:40pm.

- Mrs Moore's last day as she prepares to have her baby.

Mon 23 July - Term 3 starts. Powhiri at 1:15pm. All welcome.

## Celebrating Matariki at Civic Square:





Year 7/8 Emeralds played Brooklyn and lost 12:9. Player of the day was awarded to *Ella L* Rm 8. Year 7/8 Jade played Brooklyn Lightning and won 25:15. Player of the day was awarded to *Jena* Rm 10. Year 7/8 Grenades played Seatoun and won 36;12. Player of the day was awarded to *Emma* Rm 10.

**Congratulations** to **Eden L** Rm10, who has been nominated to attend a special leadershipcourse with four Pulse players. Eden this is a wonderful opportunity to take your netball to the next level while being a leader on and off the court. We look forward to you sharing what you have learnt with us.

#### **Netball photos:**







**Mathletics:** Gold certificates awarded to Felix Rm 5 and Carles Rm 2. Well done! **Our Mathletics Gold Certificate recipients:** 















Felix R5

Carles Rm 2

Joseph Rm 5 Myles Rm 5

Jayden Rm 7

Maia Rm 7

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Nathan Rm 7

#### **Mary Potter Hospice:**



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Arohanui – Bernadette Murfitt, Principal At Monday's school assembly, Diana Pryde from Mary Potter Hospice spoke to the children about the work they do to help their patients who are not going to get better, have some quality experiences. **Kathryn** Rm 9 and **Adrian** Rm 9, from the Student Council, presented Diana with a cheque for \$275.60, money raised from holding a mufti day last term.

Special thanks for your ongoing support. I look forward to seeing you next week at the Marae.

## Fr James

For me, one of the most appealing hymns in the gospels is the "Canticle of Zechariah" [Luke 1: 68-79]. It is a hymn of praise, thanksgiving and hope, by which Zechariah celebrates the birth of his son, to become known as John the Baptist. Its appeal is in the strength and confidence by which this proud and grateful father blesses the greatness of God who frees us from fear, that "we might serve him in holiness and justice all the days of our life in his presence."

The child becomes an image in the Canticle for all of us, called "to make known the loving kindness of the heart of our God who visits us like the dawn from on high." There is inspiration here for anyone prepared to acknowledge that we do not and cannot live for ourselves alone. Nor can we survive in darkness. Knowing the "kindness of the heart of our God" lifts us out of ourselves, out of "the shadow of death" and "into the way of peace." Who would not want to be part of this heritage?



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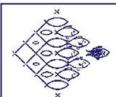
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