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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 August 2018 Week 1 Term 3

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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"The family is the primary setting for socialisation, since it is where we first learn to relate to others, to listen and share, to be patient and show respect, to help one another and live as one... In the family we learn closeness, care and respect for others." Pope Francis Amoris Laetitia – The Joy of Love Para 276

Thank you to all families associated with our school.

Congratulations to the **Sam N Rm 5**, who was also confirmed over the holidays, apologies **Sam** for missing your name of the list last week!

Congratulations to **Jack Rm 7**, who played for the Wellington Hockey City Hurricanes at a 2 day under-11 development tournament in Wairarapa during the holidays. The tournament included teams from Wellington City, Northern Suburbs, Kapiti, the Hutt and Wairarapa. It was the conclusion to a 6 week player development and training programme run by Wellington Hockey. The City Hurricanes won 7 games and lost one. Despite an injury on the first day, Jack scored a total of 5 goals. **Well done Jack!**



Using the Pedestrian Crossing on Hill Street: Some children are not using the pedestrian crossing to cross Hill Street after school, which has road patrollers controlling it. When they walk out between parked cars and cross diagonally, they are putting themselves and others that follow them, at risk. These children are across all age groups. Please help us reinforce this safety message.

PwC NZ Financial Literacy Programme (FLIP): We are very excited to be able to have this in our school Terms 3 and 4, for Years 5-8. It covers topics on savings and investment, credit and debt, financial responsibility, and risk management and insurance. This term Rooms 6, 7 and 8 are involved on August 2nd, 3rd, 9th and 10th from 1.00-2.00pm. Rooms 9 and 10 will be in Term 4.

Children awarded a GOLD certificate in Mathletics:



Toaiva Rm 5



Cielo Rm 2



Daniel J Rm 3

New school website: Special thanks to **Sue Cranney** and **Ryan Brillo** who have revamped our school website. We would love your feedback on any other information you would like to see. The migration of the website did not go so smoothly with the school app, we are working with the developer on this.

Cracker Jack: The staff are receiving Professional Development in Cracker Jack kids – which is a physical education and character programme. We are the first school to be delivering this programme in Wellington. Through the language and experience of sport, this programme teaches fundamental life skills and builds good character. This programme will empower our students to become leaders, positive role models and well-rounded, stable individuals who are equipped to achieve on and off the field.



On Monday the staff received their inaugural professional development session in our first topic "start better than before". This redefines the idea of winning as being the best that you can be and that a winner is someone who continually strives to be "Better than Before" in everything that they do. This is something that the children themselves can learn to control. This is the introductory unit that all schools begin with. It helps to introduce 3 key sporting concepts and ideas and relates them to life. It also provides a strong connection with the Inquiry based pedagogy for teaching PE through Experiential Learning and Co-construction with the students. As a staff we want to ensure our students employ a growth mind-set to all learning experiences at school. Special thanks to Mike Loftus who has organised Cracker Jack kids coming to Sacred Heart Cathedral School.

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/online-safety-for-parents/> check out this website it is fabulous.

Playground Update: The playground is taking shape. There have been many of us watching the digger at work. Think Turf are getting the base ready for the turf to be installed next week. Special

Coming Events

Cook Islands Language Week 29 July – 4 August The Cook Islands are named after Captain James Cook, fifteen small islands make up the Cook Islands spread over 1,800,000 square kilometres. The capital Avarua is located on the island of Rarotonga. There are more Cook Islands Māori living in New Zealand than there are in all of the Cook Islands combined.

Wed 1 Aug – 5-6pm Puberty information evening for Year 6- 8 families.

- **BOT meeting 7 pm** staffroom

Thu 2 Aug - ST MARY'S COLLEGE OPEN EVENING 5pm-6.30pm

Mon 6 Aug – 5-6 pm – Planning for upcoming Pasifika Week

Wed 15 Aug – Proposed Strike Day

Tue 28 Aug Father's Day Liturgy – 12.45- 1.45 St Mary's Hall **please note date change due to a venue being available**

Wed 12 Sept Social Justice liturgy 1.30-2.30pm St Mary's Hall **please note date change due to a venue being available**

Mon 24 Sept Grandparent's Liturgy 12.45- 1.30pm St Mary's Hall **please note date change due to a venue being available**

2019 School Term Dates:

Term 1: Thu 31 Jan – Fri 12 April

Term 2: Mon 29 April – Fri 5 July

Term 3: Mon 22 July – Fri 27 Sept

Term 4: Mon 14 Oct – Mon 16 Dec

Student Corner: Roaming Report from **Charlize Rm 9** and **Alex W Rm 10:**

We have been enjoying going over to Karori West to have our Technicraft sessions on Fridays. We are assigned different activities to do like cooking, working with acrylic materials, woodworking, sewing and electronics. The cooking group have been learning about yeast and the breadmaking process. The acrylic group have been working with materials to make phone holders.

We look forward to going to Technicraft each week this term.

A warm welcome to **Ana** in Rm 5, who started at our school on Monday 23 July and to **Irene** in Rm 7 who started today.

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thanks to Geoff McDonnell who sold the old playground on behalf of the school for \$2000.00.

Special thanks for your ongoing support if you have any queries around the progress your child is making please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher

Arohanui –
Bernadette Murfitt, Principal

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Archdiocesan Boys' Choir: Do you know a boy who loves music or loves to sing? We are looking for new voices to join the Archdiocesan Boys' Choir. There is no requirement for previous experience of singing in choirs or prior musical training. We look for boys who are happy and friendly, can sing in tune and enjoy music. If that sounds like your son, or someone you know, then encourage them to audition.

Over their time in the choir, boys will learn sound

vocal technique, music theory, life-skills, teamwork, as well as grow in confidence and discipline. Teachers and parents see the boys' language skills, reading comprehension skills, maths skills and confidence improve greatly by being a part of the choir. The life of chorister provides the ability to develop spiritual, as well as musical, intellectual and personal gifts.

If you'd like to arrange a time for an audition please contact Michael Fletcher, Director of Music, Metropolitan Cathedral or email m.fletcher@wn.catholic.org.nz or phone 04 496 1780.

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This week's PHOTO GALLERY:



Congratulations to **Adrian** Rm 9 and **Alex** Rm 5 who have just Become New Zealand citizens!



Thanks to Amy Carter who comes in every Tuesday morning to take the senior syndicate for a



Welcome to **Laura**, our Chinese teacher who will be with us for a month.

Fr James

Scrabble, like most games, is a great test of patience. It is also no stranger to frustration! Waiting to pick up the letter that will complete your word, only to see the space on the board claimed by another player before your turn arrives! And those letters! How did I get a tray full of consonants – not a vowel in sight!? Two “Zs” and a “Q” – it's just not fair!

Suddenly, a player places a word that gives you an opening. You score big with those consonants – and life is good again!

Patience and frustration go hand in hand with living. Building words letter by letter is not unlike the way any work gets done. We know in theory that a project takes time to complete, and that problems or setbacks will delay the goal. But we still want instant solutions, immediate answers or goals reached without effort!

I've learned many new words through Scrabble and I've got better at spelling. Yes, it can be frustrating, and my patience is often tested. But it keeps me alert and it is mostly good fun.

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