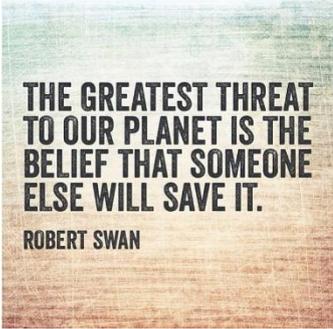


Newsletter – Week 3, Term 2

14 May 2019

Kia ora whanau



“The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and keep it” Genesis 2:15

Marvellous Mother’s Day Out

I wish to thank Mrs Marsh who took the lead of our ‘Marvellous Mother’s Day Out’ event last Friday in my absence and also thank my amazing staff as it was most certainly a team effort. I received a full report and by all accounts (and the smiling faces in the photos) it was a great success, fun was had and memories were made. When you are in and around school, check out the beautiful photos on the noticeboard outside the school office.

Religious Education and Special Character

Miss Binns and I are participating in study for “What makes a school Catholic” and we attended the first of a series of lectures at The Catholic Institute on Friday. This was a very insightful start to what I am sure will be very valuable learning for our school going forward.

Mrs Baddeley attended the Diocesan wide Director of Religious Studies Conference last week and has come back very enthusiastic with a myriad of great ideas for our children and our school (as well as stickers for the teachers!).

Askyourteam internal evaluation surveys

Thank you to all who participated and gave of their time to complete the Askyourteam school survey. The feedback received was invaluable. The facilitators of Askyourteam joined the Senior Leadership Team to discuss the data gathered and to look at opportunities to further improve our school. I look forward to sharing this information with our Board and you, the community, in due course.

Curriculum

The children continue to enquire into their concept topic of Sustainability. The learning is rich and authentic and I am enjoying hearing the ideas and opinions of our children. I am sure you are hearing lots about this topic at home also.

Strike Action

Please note that there may be further Strike Action taking place on Wednesday, 29th May. If this date is confirmed you will receive notification via a letter/email from the Board of Trustees.

BOT nominations

Nomination forms have been mailed and close at noon on Friday, 24th May. There is a box in the school office foyer for you to submit these.

For anyone considering standing for our Board of Trustees I recommend and invite you to attend a meeting at Carmel College tomorrow, 15th May, 7.00 – 8.30pm in the Theatre to learn all about **‘What’s involved in being a Trustee’**.

Viki Trainor – Principal

MASS DATE CHANGE

Please note the class Mass for Rooms 5, 6, 10, 11 and 12 will be in Week 5 on Wednesday, 29th May not on 6th June as previously advertised. We apologise for any confusion.

FEES

Attendance Dues are used to pay for building related costs at Catholic Schools in the Auckland Diocese. Paying Attendance dues is a condition of enrolment for all students enrolled in New Zealand Catholic Schools. Attendance Dues are compulsory – there is a legal requirement for parents and caregivers to pay Attendance Dues under the Education Act 1989. Attendance Dues are currently \$110 per term or \$440 per year per child. For more information: www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz, Email acfl@cda.org.nz, Tel: 09 360 3040. Or contact Michele Nash [Principal’s PA] at the school office.

PINK SHIRT DAY – THIS Friday, 17th May 2019

In response to a special request by one of our Year 6 children, we will be acknowledging Pink Shirt Day this Friday.

As a school, St John's continues to participate in the MOE initiative called Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L). In keeping with this framework's philosophy of teaching positive behaviours we wish to support the Pink Shirt Day ethos of a global day that celebrates diversity and creates environments where all people can feel safe, valued and respected.



KINDNESS
IS ONE SIZE
Fits All

Therefore, children are encouraged to wear pink clothing or a pink adornment with their school uniform, for example pink socks, a pink shirt, pink shoes, pink hat etc.

There is no donation required for wearing pink items, however, if families wish to support Pink Shirt Day please visit: www.pinkshirtday.org.nz to make donations and find out more about this initiative.

SCHOOL LIBRARY

Follow what is happening in the School Library on Twitter, our handle is @Library SJ for information on new books and special focuses.

Please Note: we will not be distributing Issue 3 of the Scholastic Lucky Bookclub flyer this term. If families wish to order from this edition you will need to specify delivery to your home address.

PTFA FUNDRAISERS

Fruity Sacks: All funds and any unsold Fruity Sacks should now have been returned to the school office. The PTFA bank account number is 12-3042-0268412-00 if you wish to make a bank transfer.



Dad's Pies:



The Dad's Pies PTFA fundraiser is back just in time for winter. Dad's Pies make a great easy meal, they are locally made with quality ingredients and will be delivered frozen. All the information and the order form is included with this newsletter.

Orders are due by Friday, 31st May.

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

PLAYERS OF THE DAY... George Pidgeon, Benjamin Moss, Thomas Neill, Kate Bolland, Fernanda Tirado (Rugby), Izaac Chua, Sean Billings (Soccer), George Pidgeon, Brooke Thornton, Spencer Drury, Isaac Reade (Basketball), Zara Raffo, Ruby Lockwood, Sophie Cardno, Madeleine Meurant, Amina Deles, Ashley Smith, Sophie Smith (Netball), Erina Younan (Gymnastics), Olivia Ward (Flippa Ball), Bonnie Rice (Athletics).

ALSO TO... Orlaith Burns (Swimming,) Imari Chua, Izaac Chua (Waitomo 6km Trail Run), Netball Teams 6/1 & 6/2 (Netball – great results).

COMMUNITY NOTICES...

Pform.nz Musical Theatre, Dance, Singing, Acting, Progress Hal, Anzac Road, Browns Bay. Tuesdays & Thursdays. Contact info@pform.nz or visit www.theperformance.net/auckland for more information.

PARISH NEWS Diocesan Job Vacancies: Justice and Peace Desk, Parish & Pastoral Services. The Diocese is seeking a committed person to be the Executive Secretary of the Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission. **Prison Chaplain:** We are seeking a suitably qualified person to work as a member of the Prison Chaplaincy Services, which delivers Ecumenical Chaplaincy services to women in prison at Auckland Regional Women's Corrections Facility (ARWCF), Wiri. See poster in Church foyer for further information.

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