

Newsletter – Week 9, Term 2 9 June 2020

Kia ora Whanau

St John's Upcycle Boutique coming soon...

I love Op Shopping, particularly for clothes. I think it is so wonderful to be able to recycle clothes that you no longer wear or want (or fit!). On Waiheke, this is a very trendy thing to do.

I thought that you too, might like to share my little hobby and I also thought it might be quite useful at this time when we are having to buy winter clothes for our fast-growing children.

I know that many people cleaned out their wardrobes during lockdown and now have clothes that need to find another home. What better home to go to than that of another St John's family.

If you have **good quality, used, children's winter clothing** that you no longer require, please drop them into the office. Once we have sufficient to offer, we will hold our **St John's 'Upcycled Boutique, Children's Winter Clothing FREE sale' in the hall** (date and details to be advised).

We are an incredibly kind and caring community and I think this would be wonderful 'real life' learning for our children to see their used clothing going to another family and they may find something they could use also.

Community Food Stall

Our wonderful Mr Dixon is busy making a little stall that will be placed in the sheltered area of the turning circle. This will be our **St John's Community Food Stall**. This stall will be available for anybody to take and to place non-perishable food items and fresh fruit and vegetables.

I know we can all do with a bit of help and support at present and I for one have more citrus fruit ready on my trees than Glenn and I can eat. I would love for some of our families to enjoy these also. More information on this will follow once our little stall is up and in action.

**GOD BLESS
VIKI TRAINOR**

HAUORA WELLBEING



As a community we are all experiencing challenges at present – within our families, our learning environments, our businesses, and the wider community. Some challenges may seem overwhelming but there are many organisations and resources that can help us.

Now that NZ has moved to Alert level 1, hopefully the process of economic recovery can begin. Don't forget that if you have lost your job (including as a self-employed person or sole trader) between 1 March and 30 October 2020 due to Covid-19, you will be entitled to the Income Relief Payment from the government. You cannot claim this payment as well as a benefit.

You can check your eligibility at <https://www.workandincome.govt.nz/covid-19/income-relief-payment/>.

If you are considering retraining or upskilling then you can look at <https://www.studylink.govt.nz/> which has information about starting to study, returning to study or for if your situation has changed whilst you are studying.

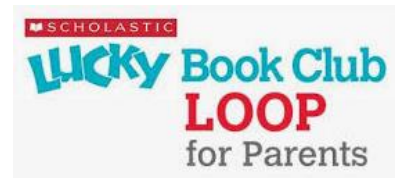
If you are considering an apprenticeship then look at <https://www.govt.nz/browse/education/training-and-apprenticeships/apprenticeships/> for information about what is available and what support you may be entitled to.

Please don't be afraid to ask for help. No-one will judge you. If you have never had to consider employment and training issues, you may need to do so now.



SCHOLASTIC LUCKY BOOK CLUB

Families choosing to take part in this opportunity will enable the school to receive rewards from Scholastic. Last year the school was able to purchase over 100 new books for the library, with each classroom receiving two new books for their class libraries and other resources for their rooms. Thank you for the generosity of our school whanau.



We have chosen to do one issue per term. This means we will be doing issues 1,3,5, and 7. A catalogue will come home near the beginning of each term for these issues. Issue #3 was sent home with the children last week. You will still be able to purchase from the other issues i.e. 2,4,6 and 8 through the **Scholastic** LOOP app or the Scholastic web page, but these will be delivered to your home and will have an added \$4.99 shipping fee, likewise if you miss the cutoff date for the school order. All catalogues can be viewed online at <https://scholastic.co.nz/parents/lucky-book-club/> when they are published. Each issue will have a range of books from \$3.00 available to purchase.

Please use Scholastic LOOP to place and pay for your order. By using LOOP there is no need to fill out any forms or receipt numbers. All orders can be made through LOOP on the Scholastic NZ website <https://www.scholastic.co.nz/parents/lucky-book-club/> or by using the Scholastic LOOP app which is available on Google Play or the App store.

Using the Scholastic LOOP App or the Website

- #1 you need to register yourselves.
- #2 on the registration pages you need to add your child/ren,
- #3 place order, making sure that you are ordering from issue #3

All **Scholastic** LOOP orders ordered before the schools closing date of **Sunday 4pm 21st June** come directly to the school approximately three weeks after this date and will be distributed by the Book Club Coordinator. Any orders received after **21st June** will not be processed through the school and will incur a \$4.99 shipping fee to be delivered to your home.

Any queries or questions can be directed to Library@SJMB.school.nz

Or you may call the Scholastic book club helpline on 0800 266525

Francine Gilchrist and Chantelle Dunn
Lucky Book Club Co-ordinator and Library Manager



SCHOOL BUSES

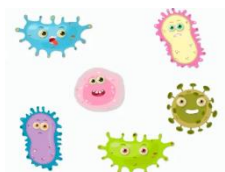
We have been notified by Auckland Transport that under Alert Level 1 normal school bus operation with front door boarding will resume; however, **cash will not be accepted on buses.** Students must have and use a registered AT HOP card with funds on it to tag on and tag off.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE


There would usually be a 2nd hand uniform sale in the Hall on the first Thursday of the month. However, due to Covid-19 restrictions sales are currently being dealt with directly by our parent co-ordinator. If you have any particular needs please contact: Fran Gilchrist, Tel: 021 488 279.

WINTER BUGS

As we move into winter, and the season of coughs and colds, we remind you that any absentees should be reported to the school office as soon as you are aware that your child is not well enough to attend school.



You can notify an absence either by:

- Phoning (09 478 7734) and leaving a message (OPTION 1) with your child's name, room number and the reason for their absence.
- Alternatively, you may notify the office using the button on  the front page of the school website. www.stjohnsmairangibay.school.nz
- You can also notify the school via the Skool Loop app

MoH guidelines, in the case of vomiting and diarrhoea, are that you keep your child away from school for 24hrs following the last episode. In the case of Impetigo (School Sores) your child should have begun a course of antibiotics before returning.

SPORTS 2020 UPDATE

Our School Sports Co-ordinator, Karen Dorrington has the following information regarding the start-up of our sports. Please see below.

BASKETBALL

- Year 1 & 2..... 3.45pm - 7.00pm.....starts Monday 20th July - ends Monday 30th November 2020
- Year 3 & 4..... 3.45pm - 7.30pm.....starts Wednesday 22nd July & Friday 24th July - ends Wednesday 2nd December 2020 & Friday 4th December 2020
- Year 5 & 6.....3.45pm - 7.30pm.....starts Tuesday 21st July & Thursday 23rd July - ends Tuesday 1st December 2020 & Thursday 3rd December 2020

Further Basketball information surrounding team practices will be available via our Basketball Parent Co-ordinator, Mrs Jan Dei-Conti, Email: janin@veritespa.co.nz and your child's coach, over the coming week.

FLIPPABALL

The Flippa ball season will start up again from Sunday, 26th July and end on Sunday 27th September 2020. Further information is coming out this week, so please check with your child for the new term Flippa Ball letters and information. Please direct any other queries to Mrs Leanne Deuchrass, our Flippa Ball Parent Co-ordinator Email: deuchrassl@gmail.com

HOCKEY

I have no information to hand regarding the re-start of Hockey and have made approaches to Hockey North Harbour for updates.

As soon as the information is available it will be circulated via our "Expressions of Interest" letters to the relevant year levels. Winter Hockey is for children in Years 3-6 only.

JUNIOR NETBALL - YEAR 1-4 @ KIDZPLAY

Dates for Games: 1st August - 19th September 2020, then 17th October to 14th November 2020.

No play Labour Weekend. No Spring netball this year.

All families that had registered their child to play, have received an independent email from Mrs Dorrington outlining other information to hand, at this time.

SENIOR NETBALL - YEAR 5 & 6 @ NETBALL NORTH HARBOUR

Dates for Games: Wednesday 22nd July to Wednesday 23rd September 2020.

All families that had registered their child to play, have received an independent email from Mrs Dorrington outlining other information to hand, at this time.

Netball Trial Dates:

Monday, 15th June 2020 - All Year 5 players. Top court from 3pm - 5pm

Wednesday, 17th June 2020 - All Year 6 players. Top court from 3pm - 5pm

INTER SCHOOL SPORTS

Term 2 - There will be no interschool sports during Term 2. Football has been cancelled for 2020 and we are trying to reschedule the Cross Country into Term 3.

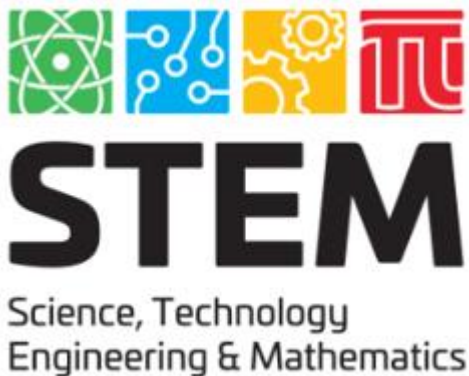
Term 3 - Basketball, Hockey & Cross-Country (TBC) will go ahead. Dates to be confirmed as I receive the information. Rippa Rugby have not yet confirmed dates, or whether they will hold any tournaments in 2020.

Updates on Interschool sports will be advised as and when we approach the events and where required, teams will be selected to represent our school on the day.

If you have any further questions on any of our school sports activities, please direct them to Mrs Karen Dorrington - sports@simb.school.nz

Thank you for your patience at this time.

STEM (Science Technology Engineering Maths)



St John's is excited to be starting STEM activities, led by Mrs Blind who is looking for the following items.

Old small appliances (not working). If you have any old small appliances we would love to tinker with them at school. Toasters, kettles, keyboards, phones, hinges... things with screws that we can pull apart. Also, if you have any screwdrivers, pliers, nuts, bolts, washers, screws, we would love those too.

Boxes: Please also collect your small to medium cardboard boxes (nothing bigger than cereal box size), for example toothpaste, soap, muesli bar boxes. **These items can be delivered to Room 13 (next to the Library) before or after school on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays.**

PARISH NEWS

Foodbank: Our stores are quite low. The items we are in need of are: Pasta sauce, tinned tomatoes, rice, soup and tinned spaghetti. We are most grateful for the donations of food from the Parish. Without this we could not operate the Foodbank for our needy families.

St. Vincent de Paul Charity Shops: please consider coming to help out at our Vinnies Charity shops. We need lots of volunteers and helpers – even for an hour or two once a week would be wonderful. If you can, please join our friendly team at either Beach Haven or Glenfield. Volunteering can be so rewarding! Contact Wanda on 021-248-0629 or Email: Glenfield.vinnies@gmail.com



Vacancy: St John Vianney House are looking for a **part time cook** (3 days / week – 19.5 hours, 7.30am to 2.00pm) to prepare, serve and clean up meals (breakfast & main meal at midday) for our retired priests in residence. Please visit our website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz, Administration tab – staff vacancies to view the full job advertisement & position description. Applications close 19 June 2020.

Staying in Touch has been especially important due to Covid 19. You are all invited to join the Facebook group for the Parish if you are not using it yet. Posts are moderated and the group settings kept secure. It is a closed group for Parish members and, also your place to share and connect if you wish to, or just to keep up to date. If you know of other parishioners who would appreciate the group and contact, please encourage them to join also. The link to the group is: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ECBParish/?ref=share> Bev McDonald – Parish Group Admin

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Art Day for children in the holidays (ages 7 - 12 yrs.) If your child loves drawing and painting they'll love this one-day workshop with artist Eion Bryant. With step-by-step instruction they will draw then create a vibrant acrylic painting learning tips and techniques along the way. Fun and focused!

Venue: St. Anne's Hall, Browns Bay, Tuesday July 14th, 10.00 – 3.00pm. **Cost:** \$55 (includes all materials)

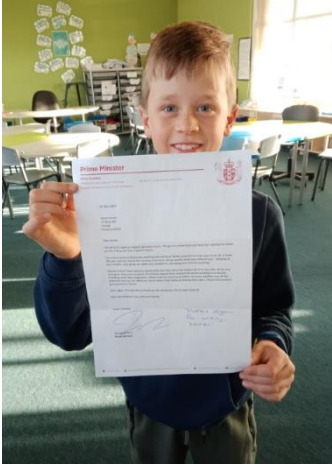
Bookings: eion@eionbryant.com, mob 021 132 7033 or 021 060 6641

The PKC July Holiday Programme Once again Premium Kids Care is offering a holiday programme, based onsite at Northcross Intermediate. Children from all schools are welcome to attend and the programme has been designed to ensure the activities are what the children want to be doing with their holidays! Our activities this time around include a Harry Potter Day, giant games and puzzles with the Pops Games, Tornado Tammy and more! The programme runs from 7:30am - 6:00pm daily during the holidays. Visit www.premiumkidscare.co.nz for more information or to enroll! Contact: Candice 021 047 0464 or email: candice@premiumkidscare.co.nz

Thunder Basketball Years 3 – 6 Training Sessions. June/July 2020 on Tuesdays and weekends dependent on age group. \$12 per session, minimum of 5 sessions, 10% discount for siblings, groups limited to 20 children. Email booking request to thunder@hoop33.co.nz

RECENT SCHOOL ACTIVITES AND NEWS

St John's student hears from the Prime Minister



Xavier Smith wrote to Jacinda Ardern in journal time during lockdown. He asked if he could do anything to help her with tackling the coronavirus pandemic. He didn't expect her to reply as she was quite busy. On Thursday last week, he checked his mailbox and he had a letter, from Jacinda Ardern! She thanked him for his letter and said that he and his family were already helping to keep New Zealanders safe from coronavirus by staying in during the lockdown. She also replied to his question about finding a cure and said *"there are hundreds of medical experts from around the world working on a vaccine, including some New Zealanders"*

Xavier felt amazed when he got his letter and really proud to get a letter from the Prime Minister. He got a handwritten note at the bottom of the typed letter that said *"Thanks again for writing Xavier"*

Comfy Friday Mufti Day and Cans for ECB Parish Foodbank

We would like to give a big THANK YOU to all families who contributed a non-perishable food item for the ECB Parish Foodbank last Friday. We got so many cans that we had to ask Mr Dixon to transport them to the Church using his trailer! Ka Pai St. John's! *The Young MacKillops*

