



Week 6, Term 2
08 June 2021

NEWSLETTER

Te Reo o te Kura o Hato Hoāni The voice of St John's School

Kia ora whānau



I hope you managed to stay warm and dry over the very blustery and wet long weekend.

Our teachers really appreciated the opportunity to come together last Friday for our Teacher Only Day. For the first half of the day Manuel Beazley, Vicar for Māori for the Catholic Diocese of Auckland, led us in professional development about Māori Spirituality. Manuel is a very engaging speaker and extremely knowledgeable. Great learning occurred for all of us. In the afternoon teachers worked collaboratively to delve deeper into assessment using the Learning Progression Framework (LPF).

I am looking forward to welcoming our latest group of New Entrant children tomorrow with a pōwhiri in the hall. We are very lucky to have the support of some of our Māori whānau and our wonderful children who are growing in knowledge and understanding of this very special Māori ritual.

Te wiki o ngā kaiāwhina tautoko

This week is Support Staff Week, a time for us to celebrate the support staff who keep our school running and add so much to the learning and success of our tamariki. It is always a great opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the valuable work done by our wonderful Learning Support Assistants, Librarian, Sports Co-ordinator, Caretaker and Office Staff. We pray God's blessings upon them all.

Kahui Ako Cultural Festival

This Friday, 11th June, a group of our senior students will perform in the North Shore Catholic Kahui Ako Cultural Festival. This event will be held at Rosmini College. This is the second time that the seven Catholic Schools on the North Shore have shared this special day together and I am sure that this year will be as wonderful as the 2019 event.

TOTAL RAISED FOR COVID STRICKEN INDIA

\$1,205.22

thank you all so much for your generosity and kindness.



Wednesday, 9th June – Pōwhiri to welcome our new families

A pōwhiri to welcome our latest little new entrants to St John's will take place on Wednesday, 9th June at 9:30am in the School Hall.

Thursday, 24th June - St John the Baptist Feast Day - Celebrating 60 Years

2021 is a special year for St. John's School and a great opportunity where both past and present can join together and celebrate 60 wonderful years. St John's School was opened and blessed by Archbishop Liston on 1st February 1961. From those early beginnings with a roll of 124 children and five classrooms, to today, where we have a roll of 337 children and 13 classrooms, a rich history and strong community has developed and flourished.

To honour our 60 years, and celebrate St. John the Baptist Feast Day, we invite you to our whole School Mass at 9.15am in St John's Church. We will be having morning tea in the hall for our visiting adults following Mass. Following morning tea guests are most welcome to visit classrooms to view the school in action. Celebrations will conclude with a sausage sizzle for the children at lunchtime.

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Date for the diary; Tuesday, 29th June, school will be closing at 12.00 noon to facilitate Parent Teacher conferences in the afternoon. Further information regarding booking appointments will be published in our school newsletter in coming weeks.

End of day collection

If collecting children from the Church Car Park, please do not use the church bathrooms prior to pick up or on departure. If your children need to use the bathroom before you leave, please escort them safely back onto the school grounds to use the boys & girls' toilets which are open every weekday until at least 4.00pm.

Road Safety

Vehicles have been witnessed executing U turns at the top of St Ives Terrace during school drop off and pick up times. This is **incredibly dangerous** for pedestrians, including children who walk home alone, crossing St Ives Terrace and there has already been one near accident. Vehicles travelling down Penzance Road have NO visibility at all around the corner by our school entrance and extreme care should be taken.

NZ Uniforms are currently experiencing a shortage in stock of long sleeve polo shirts in sizes 8-10. They have requested an urgent order to be shipped ahead of schedule but do not yet have an estimated time of delivery. They apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Ngā mihi nui, Viki Trainor - Principal

LIBRARY NEWS

Congratulations to our latest Student Librarians who have earned their Bronze Badges. Well done boys! We are very proud of your dedication.



What a difference a year can make

St John's School Library - Library Transactions

01/Jan/2020 - 04/Jun/2020 Total Issues: 1,934 Total Returns: 1,482

St John's School Library - Library Transactions:

01/Jan/2021 - 04/Jun/2021 Total Issues: 4,174 Total Returns: 3,554

Scholastic Lucky Book Club



I hope that you enjoyed your Scholastic Lucky Book Club deliveries over the long weekend and found plenty of time to read and relax.

You can still order from **Issue 3** until Friday, 25th June or you can order from **Issue 4** until Friday, 16th July. Catalogues for issue 4 will not be distributed at school and items will not be delivered to the school (although the school still receives rewards from all your orders). Items are delivered to your home for a small delivery charge.

You can view Issues 3 and 4 from this link <https://scholastic.co.nz/parents/lucky-book-club/>

Chantelle Dunn – Library Manager



WORD OF THE WEEK

mihi: to greet, a greeting

[Hear this kupu spoken](#)

Kupu o te Wiki

007



St. John's PTFA
Presents:

CASINO ROYALE

**JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF 007 FUN
AND CASINO GAMES**

Extended friends and family welcome
Adults Only

St. John's School Hall
7pm, 18th June 2021

Dress Code: James Bond - 007
Ball Gowns and Tuxedos would not be out of place!

Ticket for sale on Kindo \$25
www.mykindo.co.nz under the PTFA section

**Tickets purchased by the 11th June go in the draw
to win a bottle of Champagne**

BYO Drinks, A Plate to Share,
Cash for extra Games/Raffle
and Additional Chips



PĀNUI WHAKANUIA – CONGRATULATIONS

Orla Watson – PoD Netball

Netball What an exciting but tense game against Bayswater 6/1. Bluebells were 8-2 up at halftime when a team switch around from the opposition saw them draw level at 10-10 at three quarter time. In pouring rain the girls went back to basics and played so well to grind out a 15-11 win. Amazing to watch! Well done girls! PoD for a great defensive display was **Pearla Raffo**. PoD from the game before was **Olive Sagar** for some amazing shooting.



Report supplied by Ben Plummer.

HAUORA WELLBEING



Our wellbeing relies on our body and our mind being in good working order. Anxiety is a word that has become more commonplace in our vocabulary, and we often worry our children are “anxious”.

Kidshealth is a joint initiative between the Paediatric Society of New Zealand and Starship Foundation. It offers us an insight into what anxiety might look like in our tamariki (children) and what we can do to assist. Click here to find out more <https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/anxiety>

NGĀ KĀKAHU O TE KURA - UNIFORM REMINDER OF THE WEEK



If children wish to play on the grass & in the gully during break times in Terms 2 and 3, they should bring a change of non-uniform clothes to change into.

Children’s full PE gear should also be at school EVERY week, Monday to Friday, and only brought home if it needs washing.

PARISH NEWS

Foodbank items: St Vincent de Paul are most grateful for all the generous donations from our Parishioners. This week we are in need of **biscuits**. Please leave items in the basket in the church foyer.



ECB Catholic Book Club www.AucklandCatholicLibrary.Org.NZ
Parish Contact: Iona Breinhorst, Tel: 021 222 9662

For links and more information go to: www.eastcoastbayscatholic.org.nz; About Us; Groups.

We need seven people to register before we can access materials. At this stage there have been no decisions made about when or how we meet, and which book we will read first.

Executive Assistant – Fixed Term Contract NZ Marist Brothers Trust Board are looking for a proactive & highly organised Executive Assistant. This is a 7-month fixed term contract for maternity cover. This is a pivotal role supporting the Business Manager • Penrose Location • Parking Provided • June 2021 Start To apply please contact: nzmarist@fmspacific.com

Vinnies Needs Helpers to help us make a difference for people in our local community by sorting & pricing donations & helping customers. Contact Wanda, Tel: 09 443 5274 or 021-248-0629, Email: glenfield.vinnies@gmail.com. Non food items can be taken directly to 8/75 Ellice Rd, Glenfield. Mon. - Fri. 9.30am - 4pm; Sat. 10am- 2pm.

Confirmation Classes: For the younger group starts on Sunday, June 13th at 8.00am at St. John’s Church.
