

Kia ora whānau,

"We are called to see and treat people not just in justice but in charity, we are asked to see people through God's eyes rather than our own human vision of the world" (Fr Tony King-Archer)

This Thursday, 24th June is the Feast Day of St John the Baptist.

2021 is a special year for St. John's School as it marks 60 years since our school opened. It is a great opportunity where both past and present can join together and celebrate 60 wonderful years.

MASS

To honour this special occasion and celebrate St. John the Baptist Feast Day, we invite you to our **whole School** Mass at 9.15am in St John's Church.

BLESSING OF ART INSTALLATION

As part of their legacy, the current students and staff have created a collaborative artwork which will be blessed following the Mass. We would like to thank Mrs Claire Taylor for her design, organisation, and artistic talent in the creation of this piece and Mr Paul Dixon for his work in its construction and installation.

MORNING TEA AND ART DISPLAY

Following the blessing of the art installation, we invite all adults to join us for morning tea in the hall. During morning tea, you will have a chance to catch up with other parents and community members; past and present. You will also have the opportunity to view the display of artwork created by the children. If you are unable to attend the mass, the art will be displayed for viewing after school on Thursday and before school on Friday.

HAVE A LOOK AROUND THE SCHOOL

Following morning tea, you are most welcome to visit the classrooms to view the school in action. Please feel free to wander around yourself, alternatively, our student ambassadors will be available if you wish for a guide.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Celebrations will conclude with a sausage sizzle for the children at lunchtime. Thank you to the PTFA for organising this treat for the children.

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Progress Reports

When you receive your child's progress report at the end of this week you will notice that we are using a different way of reporting for Writing for Years 3 - 6. We are using an assessment tool called PaCT. Mrs Marsh and Mrs Perry are experts in the use of this tool to improve teaching and learning and have provided some excellent information for parents. Please see below to link to their videos if you wish to know more.

Important information for whānau of Year 3 - 6 students

This year, the mid-year report format for the subject of Writing has changed for students in Years 3-6.



Click the image (left) to access <u>our site</u> where you can view videos and additional information explaining these new changes.

If you would like to find out more, please scroll to the bottom of the site to submit a question or sign up for one of two parent information sessions happening today **Tuesday 22nd June**.

Session times are 2.00 - 2:45 pm or 6.00 - 6:45 pm and will be in the Staffroom.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Conferences will be held <u>NEXT</u> Tuesday, 29^{th} June. The conference times will be from 1.00 - 2.50pm, 3.30 - 5.20pm; and 6.00 - 7.20pm. Classes will finish at 12.00 on this day and you are asked to make arrangements to pick your child(ren) up promptly at this time. School buses will not be available.

Conference Focus These conferences are for parents and caregivers <u>only</u> and will give you an opportunity to meet with your child's teacher and discuss how your child is progressing. The conference will be 10 minutes in length and a bell will indicate the end of each. Please be on time. If, after 10 minutes, you feel further time is required with the teacher than please arrange another appointment.

To Book a Conference

- Please go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the code j2tf7 (it is case sensitive)
- An email confirming the time of your conference(s) will be sent directly to the email address entered at the time of booking.
- If you do not have internet access please contact the school office Tel: 09 478 7734 or via email on <u>office@simb.school.nz</u> and they can make a booking on your behalf.

Ngā mihi nui, Viki Trainor - Principal



BOARD MEETING

The next school Board meeting will be on Thursday, 24th June at 5.30pm in the staff room.

PTFA MEETING

The next PTFA meeting will be on Tuesday, 6th July at 7.00pm in the staff room

SENIOR KAPA HAKA – THURSDAY 24TH JUNE - CANCELLED

PREFERENCE NEW ENTRANT ENROLMENTS FOR 2022

Applications for Preference New Entrant enrolment for 2022 close on 31st August 2021. If you have not yet made an application for a New Entrant enrolment for 2022 then please email Michele Nash (<u>michelen@simb.school.nz</u>) for the Application forms to be sent to you. All siblings of current pupils need to have their own Application for Enrolment lodged. All successful/unsuccessful applicants will be notified in writing by mid-September 2021. Unsuccessful applicants are invited to put their child's name on a Preferential Waiting List. Should you have any queries, please contact Mrs Michele Nash, Tel: 09 478 7734 Xtn 203





A GENTLE REMINDER

We are hoping to reconcile our accounts for the term. This term has been an extremely busy time for everyone and we understand if these expenses have been overlooked. We would appreciate it if you could take a moment and look over your Kindo account (www.mykindo.co.nz) when you have a chance.

The following items from Terms 1 & 2 are now overdue:

Prime Maths Workbook; Mathletics; Maths Buddy; online RE Digital resource; STEPS online spelling programme; Nanogirl Superhero Science Presentation; Garden to Table, Magic Caterpillar handwriting book; Years 1 & 2 Shared Art & Play Based Learning Resources; Personal File (for students new to St John's this year)

We understand that these are unprecedented times financially and we do not wish to add any further pressure onto family life. If you are having difficulty in meeting your payments or if we can be of any assistance, please feel free to personally contact Viki in confidence.

If you have any questions or queries regarding Kindo please either contact the Kindo helpdesk Tel; 0508 454636, Email; <u>hello@kindo.co.nz</u> or the school office, Tel; 09 478 7734, <u>office@simb.school.nz</u>

Any school fee or donation queries should be directed to Michele Nash, Email: michelen@simb.school.nz

GARDEN TO TABLE

We are in the process of setting up a Worm Farm to add to our Garden to Table garden and are in need of a sack made from natural fibres (not synthetic). If anyone has one they could donate we would be very grateful.



Ange Moore – Garden Specialist



ST VINCENT DE PAUL – Used toy and clothes collection

During the last week of term $(5^{th} - 9^{th} July)$, we will be having a used toy and clothes collection. These items will be donated to St. Vincent de Paul and distributed to families in need. Please ensure that the items are in good, clean condition.

There will be boxes in the office for donations to be placed in on any day during Week 10. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased." Hebrews 13:16



EMAIL ADDRESSES AND CAREGIVER PHONE CONTACTS

Please advise Michele Nash (<u>michelen@sjmb.school.nz</u>) in the office if you have changed your email address or phone contacts. With the increasing use of mobile and email for the school to contact you and/or send documents to you, it is essential we have a robust, up to date database. Thanking you in advance.

LIBRARY NEWS

Authors coming to St John's School

We are very lucky to have four Authors coming to visit our school in the coming months.

Anne Kaye

Winner of the 2016 Storylines' Tom Fitzgibbon Award competition with her book Tuī Street Tales

Anne is the first of our author visitors and will be spending time with our Year 4 - 6 children on Wednesday next week (30th June).

Students will also have the opportunity to purchase a signed copy of Anne's books after her talk. Anne has kindly given us her Bank Account number and you may pre-purchase these before her visit. Alternatively, you may give your child cash (at your own risk) to purchase the book/s on the day.

If you choose to pre-purchase, please do so before Monday, 28th June.

Please use your child's name and SJMB as a reference. The account number for Anne Kaye is: 12-3125-0255430-00

Tūī Street Tales - \$18





The following day (July 1st) it will be the turn of our Year 1 - 4 children, with our school being lucky enough to be selected as part of the <u>Storylines</u> tour. <u>Swapna Haddow</u>, the award-winning author of the Dave Pigeon books and many others, along with <u>Raymond McGrath</u>, another award winning author who has written and illustrated many books have been chosen to visit our school.

The final author visiting our school in Term 4 will be <u>Des Hunt</u>. This visit will be for the Senior Students and promises to be very informative.

A small charge of \$2.00 will be added to your Kindo account (<u>www.mykindo.co.nz</u>) as a contribution to the cost of us hosting these authors.

Chantelle Dunn – Library Manager

Tūi Street Heroes - \$20

NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS WEEK

This week New Zealand is celebrating, and we are too, with a sincere thanks to the many volunteers who assist with sports teams, in the classroom, at school fundraising or one of the many ways you might volunteer at school. We celebrate the community volunteering that occurs across the school, the contribution it makes to the children's education and the assistance it provides to the staff.

A school is more than books and desk, And learning two plus two. It's people who share their skills and care and try their best in all they do.

Please accept our heartfelt appreciation, Our school's a better place because of your dedication.

HAUORA WELLBEING



There are many ways to look after ourselves and our whānau. Dr Mason Durie developed Te Whare Tapa Whā which speaks to the four cornerstones of Māori health (physical, mental, spiritual and family wellbeing).

Follow this link to find some good ideas about how to support your health following Dr Durie's guidelines. <u>https://covid19.govt.nz/health-and-wellbeing/te-whare-tapa-wha/</u>



LOST PROPERTY

Lost property will be displayed inside the school office next Tuesday, 29th June during Parent Teacher conferences. Please do come and see if there are any of your child's items amongst the many water bottles, uniform items and non-uniform items currently is Lost Property.

At the end of the term, we will be clearing the Lost Property bin. School uniform items, if not named, will be given to second hand uniforms for sale. Non-uniform items will be washed and given to groups that can make use of them. Sadly, most of the plastic water bottles & lunch box items must be thrown away for health & safety reasons.

WORD OF THE WEEK

kaumātua: elder

Hear this kupu spoken

PĀNUI WHAKANUIA – CONGRATULATIONS

Amelia Boxall (good court coverage) – PoD Netball Annabel Ko – PoD Netball Amina Deles (Fantastic shooting & movement) – PoD Netball Hara Kang (Wonderful Centre) – PoD Netball Beatrice Bage (Two goals) – PoD Netball Liam Sayegh – PoD Basketball



Cecilia Zeng's Artwork "the sad house" was selected for the 75th Anniversary of the Founding of the United Nations Art Creation Exhibition. Her work was awarded "Prominent Achievement of Art".

Her work was inspired by her love in nature. Here is a quote from her presentation about the artwork: "I painted this artwork because, I feel that not only ocean and fish need human's attention, but also nature needs help too! We should love the nature, such as wild birds and animals and protect their habitat. We shouldn't catch birds as our pets only because they look pretty."



YOU'RE APPRECIATED

MORE THAN YOU KNOW.

Kupu o te Wiki



Last week one of our Year 6 students, **Seth Storm**, took part in a national golf competition. By all accounts the standard was pretty high. Seth played well with rounds of 89 and 86 and came 7th. Top 2 quality for the worlds in the US. Congratulations Seth and best wishes for future success.





NGĀ KĀKAHU O TE KURA - UNIFORM REMINDER OF THE WEEK



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

The field is out of bounds during morning teatime in Terms 2 and 3.

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

PARISH NEWS



Hospitality Ministers URGENTLY required. It is such a gift to welcome people into Mass. A smile and words of welcome are beyond measure! Handing out the newsletter, putting the baskets out and organizing the offertory complete the ministry. Good family project!

Volunteers need for Mass Set Up 7.30am and 5.30pm: We have some long-serving volunteers standing down from these Mass set up rosters. The 7.30 am roster can be set up weekly, or however it works for the people involved. The 'set up roster' for 5.30pm Mass is monthly. Ideally, we would like to have 3 or 4 extra people to participate in these rosters so we can grow this ministry. You will need to come to the church 30 minutes before Mass in order to complete the set up. Training provided...it is not hard to learn!

Tuesday Morning Teatime Please join us at the White Flower Café this Tuesday between 9.30am and 11.00am for an opportunity just to meet socially and chat. We meet every Tuesday unless advertised otherwise in the Parish newsletter.





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.

PTFA CASINO ROYALE NIGHT

A great night was had by everyone who attended our James Bond themed Casino Night on Friday. The PTFA would like to thank our generous sponsors who helped to make the evening a great success.

- LC Designer Homes
- Mayfair Landscapes
- Airmark Services
- Regency Wardrobes
- Chris Reade Real Estate with Harcourts Cooper and Co, Mairangi Bay
- Sakura Relaxation Massage Mairangi Bay
- First Glass Takapuna



























COMMUNITY NEWS

Art Day for children in the holidays (ages 7 - 12 yrs.)

If your child loves drawing and painting, they will love this one-day workshop with artist Eion Bryant. With step-bystep 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, July 13th, 10.00am-3.00pm. Cost: \$55 **Bookings:** eion@eionbryant.com, mob 021 132 7033 or 021 060 6641



Brain Play coding, robotics, 3d printing and STEM classes. Holiday programs are now open. Free trials available. Ages 5+. Email us for more information on <u>info@brainplay.co.nz</u> or see <u>brainplay.co.nz</u>.



Please tick the boxes for the days you would like to book PTO for more info and details

Kids Care runs from 7.30am - 6pm. • Book more than two children and get 10% discount. Book for the full 2 weeks and get 5%. WINZ Subsidy available







\$70/child per day or \$200/child per 3 days

9am - 3pm for children aged 5yrs - 12yrs

Conscious Kids is proud to be safeguarding children's right to free play. Our programmes are designed as an antidote to the fast paced technology filled-world our children now inhabit. A chance to unwind and play as their parents did, climbing trees, building huts, exploring, and of course losing their imagination with CK JUNK PLAY!

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Spaces are strictly limited. For more information visit our website or email info@consciouskids.co.nz

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