



Week 2, Term 2
10 May 2022

NEWSLETTER

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

Kia ora whānau,

I thought it might be a good idea to share our new school prayer (2021) with you all again.

Due to the disruption of lockdowns, we have not really had a good opportunity to embed this beautiful prayer as a community. It might be a nice idea to pray it with your children at home as it really embodies our school. This prayer was developed through the collaboration of our Parish Priests, our staff, and our children. The children were adamant that we include the wise words of Mary MacKillop "*let us never see a need without doing something about it*". I too love these words as there is always a need if we are open to seeing, and we can always do something, regardless of how small, if we are willing.

Ngā mihi nui, Viki Trainor, Principal

E te Atua o ngā mea katoa,
We pray for your blessing on St. John's School.
Guide us in the footsteps of Mary MacKillop.
Following our school values,
may we never see a need
without doing something about it.
Inspire us to be like John the Baptist,
preparing the way of the Lord.
May we always speak the truth
and do what is right.
Let us never forget
that Your love surrounds us
as we journey through life.
May we share Your aroha with our kura,
our whānau and with all those we meet.
Amen

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Last week, we were so pleased to be able to welcome our Parish team back onsite to school. We celebrated a birthday morning tea for Fr. Emile (January) and Fr. Alejandro (May).

Prayer for Vocations

Almighty and eternal God, in your unfailing love you provide ministers for your Church. We pray for those whom You call to serve the Church of East Coast Bays Parish as priests and leaders.

Inspire in them a generous response.

Grant them courage and vision to serve Your people. May their lives and service call Your people to respond to the presence of your Spirit among us. May they be faithful to the Gospel and share hope of Jesus the Christ.

Amen

Month of Mary

The month of May is a special time to honour our Blessed Mother Mary. Marian devotions may include singing Marian hymns, readings, homilies, and reciting the rosary.

*Awe Maria e ki ana koe,
e te keretia,
kia koe e te Ariki,
kia whakapainga koe.
I roto i nga wahine ae whakapainga hoki.
A Hehu te hua o tōu kopu.*

*Hata Maria te Matua wahine o te Atua
inoi koe mo mātou mo te hunga
e hara ana aianei a te hoara o tōku matenga rawa.
Amen.*

Laura Baddeley - DRS



NEW ENTRANT ENROLMENTS FOR 2023

You are reminded that applications for New Entrant enrolment for next year (2023) will close on 31st August 2022. Children applying for enrolment after applications have closed for the forthcoming year will not be considered until the following year unless vacancies still exist on the roll after all previous applications have been accepted. If you have not yet made application for a New Entrant enrolment for 2023 then please email Michele Nash (MicheleN@sjmb.school.nz) for the application forms. Confirmation, or otherwise, of New Entrant enrolment will be sent to all applicants by mid-September 2022.



PTFA Annual General meeting THIS Thursday 12th May 7.00pm in the school staff room.

As restrictions ease, the PTFA are starting to think (excitedly) about ways to get us together socially as a community... and to make sure our children have some cool events to look forward to. Why not be part of the fun and come along to our AGM on May the 12th? We'll have wine and cheese on offer and would love to hear your ideas and thoughts. As it's the AGM we're also taking nominations for the following roles:

LEAD TALKER: commonly known as a Chairperson, someone who can chair the meetings and take charge where needed.

LEAD NOTE TAKER: commonly known as a Secretary. Someone who can take minutes of the meeting and deal with any incoming correspondence.

LEAD MONEY COUNTER: commonly known as a Treasurer, someone who will look after the PTFA Bank Accounts, bank money & reconcile the accounts.

Please email ptfa@sjmb.school.nz with your nomination or pop along to the meeting to offer your support.

There are also a few pop-up jobs that would be perfect for anyone who is keen to help with a one-off event. These include the ANNUAL CHILDREN'S DISCO, the PARENTS NIGHTS, SCHOOL BBQ'S and one-off fundraising events.

We look forward to seeing you! Rachael O'Brien – PTFA committee Chairperson

OPEN EVENING AND TOURS AT CARMEL COLLEGE

Now that schools are permitted visitors and parents on site, an Open Evening has been scheduled at Carmel College on Thursday, 26th May along with daytime tours during Week 5, 30th May to 2nd June 2022.

Open Evening, Thursday, 26th May

4.00 – 4.30pm Presentation by staff and students in the college hall.

4.30 – 5.30pm Tours of the school

The college is asking participants to wear masks while attending this event.

Daytime Tours, Monday, 30th May to Thursday, 2nd June

Timing of the tours will be 9.00 – 9.30am and 1.45 – 2.30pm

The tours will be led by student leaders and are aimed at prospective students and their families and would be helpful to those who have already made the decision to enrol at Carmel College for 2023 and those who are yet to decide. Instructions on how to book a tour will be posted on the Carmel College website by Thursday, 12th May.



There are still places available for preference applicants for the 2023 year at all levels.

Please see the [Carmel College Enrolment Link](#) on the website for further details and to enrol online.



ROSMINI COLLEGE

Legis Plenitudo Charitas

ENROLMENTS FOR 2023

Enrolments for Year 7 pupils for 2023 are open. limited spaces available in Years 8-13. Please phone Helen on 488-3750 for an enrolment form. **Open Day** at the college on **Thursday 17 May at 1.30 pm.**

NGĀ KĀKAHU O TE KURA - UNIFORM REMINDER OF THE WEEK



ALL the children should be in FULL winter uniform by next Monday, 16th May

You are reminded that the changeover to winter uniform takes place from the beginning of Term 2. This includes appropriate school winter shoes and knee-high black socks which should be worn when arriving or leaving the school grounds.



Additionally,

- All children should have their full **NAMED** St John's PE gear at school Monday to Friday every week.
- **If children wish to play on the grass field during the lunch break in Terms 2 & 3, they must bring a change of non-uniform clothing.**

School Beanies for Winter

School beanies are an optional uniform item which children can wear to and from school, during break times, and at school sporting events in Terms 2 and 3. The beanies will be on sale from the school office in Terms 2 and 3 for \$12.50 (EFTPOS & cash accepted). Mum and Dad may want one too! They come in three colours as pictured.

WORD OF THE WEEK

Karaka meaning **'Orange'**

Kupu o te Wiki

HAUORA WELLBEING

If finances are affecting your wellbeing, then check these websites that offer lots of information about resources that might be available to you.

You can check your eligibility for government support at https://www.workandincome.govt.nz/covid-19/index.html?utm_source=redirect&utm_medium=159

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.

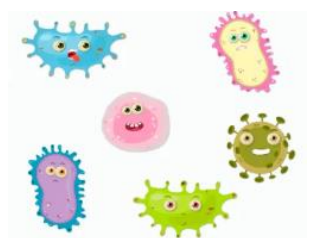


WINTER BUGS

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:

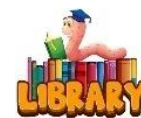
- Phoning (09 478 7734) and leaving a message (OPTION 1) with your child's name, room number and the reason for their absence.
- Alternatively, you may notify the office using the button  on the front page of the school website. www.sjmb.school.nz
- You can also notify the school via the Skool Loop app.



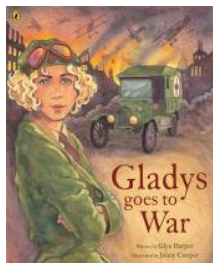
Ministry of Health guidelines, in the case of vomiting and diarrhoea, are that you keep your child away from school for 24hrs following the last episode. In the case of Impetigo (School Sores) your child should have begun a course of antibiotics before returning.



LIBRARY NEWS



Kia Ora whānau and what a wonderful start to term two. The library is open for lunchtimes again and it was time for our Student Librarians to shine, which they did. Issuing books, reading stories, organising board and card games, shelving books and being responsible for our special raffle (I hope that special Mum had a wonderful surprise!). All the training we did while the library was closed at lunchtime has turned them into Librarian Extraordinaires!



Gladys Goes to War

Last week classes were treated to the story of Gladys Goes to War. The author, NZ Historian, Glyn Harper and illustrator Jenny Cooper have created a fabulous accessible story detailing what life was like more than 100 years ago. Gladys Goes to War tells the story of real-life New Zealander Gladys Sandford and her participation in the war as an Ambulance Driver. When I read out loud that Gladys was told men were better drivers there were gasps of shock from the different audiences. I am delighted our tamariki did not agree with THAT statement. Gladys broke through many barriers that were in place for women in the early 1900s.

Scholastic

Just a quick reminder that this Sunday is the last day for ordering from issue #3 for delivery to school.



SJMB Book Battle



Term 2 marks the start of the Year 5 and 6's Book Battle. This is open and optional for all students in Year 5 and 6. They have this term to read five required books. There will be two copies of each of these books in the school library. The children may need adult assistance to find alternative copies (perhaps at local libraries or borrowing from friends) as these books will be in high demand this term.

Other ways you could support your tamariki are encouraging their knowledge of nursery rhymes and traditional stories. All Year 5 and Year 6 children have been emailed access to a Google classroom from previous years Book Battles. This is filled with digital escape rooms, Kahoots and quizzes that you might like to do as a family. There will be a few small spot prizes for participants during the term and small prizes for the children who make up the top 20 as decided by a Kahoot quiz in the final week of term 2. The final 20 will then take a more challenging second Kahoot quiz to determine our top ten readers. From this challenge, the top ten will be trained into two teams. They will then go forward to represent St John's at the North Shore Book Battle which takes place at Northcross Intermediate in August.

There can be only 10 team members - will you be one of them?

Two teams of 4 (plus 1 reserve) will be chosen on Wednesday, 6th July.
Will you be ready?

Here are the required texts, You will need to read all of these books in full

- 1. *Because of Winn Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo**
- 2. *The Memory Thief* by Leonie Agnew**
- 3. *Mophead* books 1 & 2 by Selina Tusitala Marsh**
- 4. *Goldilocks: Wanted Dead or Alive* by Chris Colfer (graphic novel)**

This is what else you will need to know:

- Nursery Rhymes
- Traditional Fairy Tales
- Māori Myths and Legends
- The Dewey System
- A range of NZ Picture books
- Classic NZ chapter books
- Popular books

Elimination rounds to be one of the final ten team members will take place on Wednesday, 6th July. Book Battle will take place on Friday, 26th August at Northcross Intermediate



CONGRATULATIONS

Jackson Smith – East Coast Bays, under 9 Soccer PoD
Annabel Ko – Netball PoD
Maria Hale – Basketball PoD
Orlaith Burns – Splash Polo PoD (Awesome Attacking)
Orlaith Burns – completed Fundamental Level at Snow Planet



Cecilia Zeng – awarded St John Penguin badge, East Coast Bay Youth Division.

HOCKEY UMPIRES NEEDED

Due to the pandemic, North Harbour Hockey have advised there is likely to be a shortfall of umpires for the Primary and Intermediate competitions this winter. They are calling for anyone who is interested in umpiring hockey games at this level to register and be available on a Monday (Primary) and/or Tuesday (Intermediate) after school. The attached flyer is a link to the Junior Umpire registration page. Hockey umpires will be paid.



FOUND

The items picture have recently been found on the school grounds, please contact office@sjmb.school.nz or Tel: 09 478 7734 and speak with Mrs Anneliese Bridges if you believe any of them may belong to you.



St John's is using the online 'shop' Kindo for additional charges for trips, stationery items, online learning subscriptions etc.



FAMILIES NEW TO ST JOHN'S

If you have not already set up an account with Kindo please visit www.mykindo.co.nz as soon as possible to sign your children up. It is vital that the email address used for your Kindo account is exactly the same as the one the school has listed on our database for your child's first caregiver (in most cases this is usually Mum).

If you have any queries at all, please do not hesitate to contact Anneliese Bridges in the school office or if you have difficulties with the Kindo website their helpdesk is but a phonecall away (Freephone 0508 454 636).

TERMLY SCHOOL FEES will continue to be dealt with separately by Mrs Michele Nash, michelen@sjmb.school.nz and should be paid either via bank transfer (12-3042-0320348-00) referenced with your child's name and 'Fees', or via EFTPOS at the school office. Any families paying in instalments do not need to make any changes to arrangements already in place.

PARISH NEWS



Dear volunteers, thank you for your valuable contributions to our parish - I know there are many people doing many important things. Your constant inputs are vital to the masses, the upkeep of the buildings and grounds, the sacramental programs, and the committees to name a few. ***Without you the Church would not function.***

So, a big thank-you in these difficult times but also a request that you may continue in these ministries. A further request is that you may approach and ask other suitable people as we need to encourage more people to volunteer - especially as altar servers as we resume a more comprehensive mass timetable. I am certain your contributions put a big smile on Jesus' face. ***Peace and grace in Jesus' name.*** *Michael Bravenboer Chair of the Parish Pastoral Council*

ECB St. Vincent De Paul FOODBANK Last year we gave out 91 food parcels plus 23 Christmas food & gift hampers. Our stocks are very low; we especially need **BAKED BEANS AND TINNED FISH**. We very much appreciate all the donations we receive. *Please leave your donations in the basket in the church foyer.* **ALSO: Monetary donations are very welcome and can be deposited into a/c number 12 3059 0241398 00**



Society of St Vincent de Paul: If you have any clothing donations for the **Society of St Vincent de Paul**, please drop them off at the St Vincent de Paul Shop in 75 Ellice Road, Glenfield. Opening hours - Monday - Friday 9:30am to 4.00pm & Saturday 10.00am to 2.00pm.

DOVE Fellowship for Women meet Wednesday, 18th May, 7:30pm. St Thomas More Catholic Church, 336 Wairau Road, Glenfield. Topic: Be His Light, Scripture: 2 Cor. 4:5-6 Speaker: Judy Olsen *Please wear a mask.* For more information, please contact Sylvia, Tel: 021 088 22990

Parish Secretary Vacancy - Glen Eden Parish

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish is looking for a new parish secretary. The role involves general administrative tasks, managing invoices and reporting processes. Applicants must be able to handle updating and maintenance of our website and be proficient in MYOB. This is a part-time role between 25-30 hours per week. Please submit your CV and covering letter outlining your interest in this role to Darinjohnston710@gmail.com

De Paul House Vacancy for a caring & experienced community support worker/social worker to join their growing & passionate team. Ideally, you will have some experience in the community/social work sector, but if not, they would still love to hear from you if this is a career you want to pursue and you have the right 'can-do' attitude. Applications will remain open until the right candidate is hired. Visit: www.depaulhouse.org.nz/work-with-us then submit your CV & cover letter to admin@depaulhouse.org.nz

Catholic Education Services – Religious Education & Catholic Character Advisor: Vacancy for a full time Religious Education & Catholic Character Advisor, starting Term 3. The role is to develop, strengthen & support the leadership role of the Directors of Religious Studies & HOD's Religious Education in Catholic Schools. The role will also provide professional development, formation, and resources for teachers in Religious Education and Catholic Special Character. Applicants will have a tertiary qualification in Religious Education or a commitment to undertake appropriate study, hold current NZ Teacher registration, interest in and experience in teaching religious education in Years 7 to 10, would be advantageous.

Please visit our website <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/> to view the full advert and to apply. Applications close 13th of May

COMMUNITY NOTICES

RANGITOTO KINDERGARTEN

Mini Market
A fun morning for the family!

SUNDAY 15th MAY 10am-12noon
Rangitoto Kindergarten Backyard - 2a Hythe Terrace



CASH ONLY!
Cash Out Available

Pre-loved Toys • Chocolate Trailer • Fresh Produce
Face Painting • Sausage Sizzle • Jolly Jars • Lucky Dips
Coffee • Tender Items • Cakes • Raffles

E rere i tō haki – Fly your flag Art Workshop



Emily Karaka, 'D.N.A.', 2022, mixed media, 1828 x 1828 mm

Learn how to express what matters to you through flag making. Northart Art Educator Carolyn Pomeroy will take you through a series of steps to design a flag unique to you. Inspired by our current exhibition 'Wahine Māori: The Art of Resistance'. All ages welcome.

Saturday 14 May 11am – 1pm
\$20 non members, \$15 members and children

Northart Taupuni Ako | Learning Studio and Community Room,
Norman King Square (Opposite the Library), Ernie Mays
Street, Northcote, Auckland

RSVP to staff@northart.co.nz

NORTHART



NORTH HARBOUR SCHOOLS SOFTBALL FUNDAMENTALS

Our fundamentals program takes place at the school grounds making it easy for children and parents to access.

These sessions take place at lunchtime or after school, depending on what has been organised with the school.

During each session, the children will work on the various skill sets involved with softball.

The skills are learnt through interactive exercises and games that help the children stay engaged and have fun.

The children will be taught by experienced/qualified coaches who are passionate about the sport and the children have a positive experience.

7 week programme starting...

Huapai District School – Monday 9th of May 3pm

Whenuapai School – Monday 9th of May 3:15pm

Manuka Primary (Softball/Football) – Tuesday 10th of May 12:30pm

Sherwood School – Tuesday 10th of May 3:15pm

Westminster Christian School – Tuesday 10th of May 3:15pm

Forrest Hill Primary School – Wednesday 11th of May 12:45pm

Sunnybrae School – Wednesday 11th of May 3:15pm

Vauxhall Primary School – Wednesday 11th of May 3pm

Orewa Beach Primary School – Wednesday 11th of May 3:15pm

Kingsway Junior Campus – Thursday 12th of May 3:15pm

Silverdale Primary School – Thursday 12th of May 3:15pm

Click on the school to register