



Week 6, Term 2
7 June 2022

NEWSLETTER

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

Kia ora whānau

I hope you had a wonderful Queen's Birthday weekend with your whānau.

Our teachers really appreciated the opportunity to come together last Friday for our Teacher Only Day. Teacher wellbeing was the focus for the first half of the day along with introducing our new Bounce Back Programme for our children. Our Curriculum leader, Vivienne Fuaaletoelau also introduced the Aotearoa NZ Histories curriculum. 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 today along with Mrs Ashley Shearer who will be their teacher in Room 10.



Friendly reminder

A friendly reminder, that if you are coming into school for any reason, please sign in at the office as this is for Health and Safety purposes. This is not for drop off before school starts or pick up after school finishes but rather for any other purpose during the school day. I suggest that if you have something to drop off to your child e.g, forgotten lunch box, you can deliver this to the office who will ensure that your child receives it. This will save you time and avoid disruption to learning.

PTFA meeting on Thursday 9th June

Our PTFA will meet **THIS** Thursday, 9th June in the staffroom at 7:00pm, please feel free to join us. This is an opportunity to meet other members of the community, to see if you may be able to help out in some small way and to have a bit of fun.

God bless, Viki Trainor, Principal.

YUMMY APPLE STICKER PROMOTION



We are once again participating in The Yummy School Sticker Promotion.

Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cut-out label is worth 10 stickers) and individual Yummy apple stickers for our school's share of the \$200,000 free Sport sports gear prize pool.



Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'nSAVE and participating Four Square stores.

The more we collect, the more sports gear we get so please start collecting your Yummy cut-out labels and stickers now! Stickers can be brought into school and placed on the sheets in each classroom.

There are double points for Sweet Tango, Ambrosia and Lemonade apples.

This promotion will run until the end of Term 3. If you would like a sheet to use to collect stickers at home please visit https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/Sticker_Collection_Sheet.pdf

YES, we are still collecting **Bread Tags** at the school office!

To help with the sorting process Mr Dixon has made a wonderful new 'sorting station' which is now located just outside the sick bay. Children are very welcome to come and deposit any breadtags that they have collected at any time of day!

BREADTAGS

for wheelchairs



For more information visit: <https://www.breadtagsforwheelchairs.co.za/> or the New Zealand Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/nzbreadtags/>

NO cardboard, Baker's Delight, or colours other than these please:



HAUORA WELLBEING



If just getting food on the table is a struggle in these challenging times, then perhaps a food parcel or a helping hand is what you need.

See <https://www.foodbank.co.nz/north-auckland> or <https://paerangi.nz/services/kai-food-banks> (who also have a wonderful resource of support agencies across Tamaki Makaurau – available in Te reo Māori and in NZ Sign Language).

NGĀ KĀKAHU O TE KURA - UNIFORM REMINDER OF THE WEEK

We ask that hair, which sits below the collar, is tied back for health and safety reasons. Hair ties should be plain elastic bands coloured black, brown, navy blue or white.



Kupu o te Wiki

WORD OF THE WEEK

Kuini meaning 'Queen'

SCHOOL DUES

Term 2 fees were due on the 30th May. We would appreciate your early attention to this if you have not already made a payment or have an arrangement in place for staggered payments.

Any queries please contact Michele Nash in the school office, Email: MicheleN@sjmb.school.nz



LIBRARY NEWS



I am hoping that you were all able to enjoy this long weekend and it allowed you some extra time to relax in front of the heater with a cracking read.

Look out for overdue notices coming home on Friday. If you have an overdue notice and have had a good look at home and they are not there, please email Library@sjmb.school.nz and let me know. With student librarians and class librarians doing the returns they are sometimes not processed correctly and reshelfed. If I know they are not at home the class teachers and I can keep a lookout for them in the library or classroom. In most cases books are found eventually either at home, in the classroom, in the library and in one case the TENT!

Above all we want our children reading, by the school being informed that the books have been misplaced the children can go back to getting out their full number of books instead of just one.



In case you missed it last week the finalists for the New Zealand Children's Book Awards have been announced. I am sure that you will recognise many on the list as I have shared many of them in the school newsletter as either new additions to our library or our book of the week. The [Sapling](#) have written an informative [article](#) with an interesting piece on this year's awards and a small blurb on all the finalist books.

There were a couple of books I seemed to have missed being published and I can't wait to add them to the library. I am looking forward to getting a copy of *Moose the Pilot* in my hand as well as *Spark Hunter!*

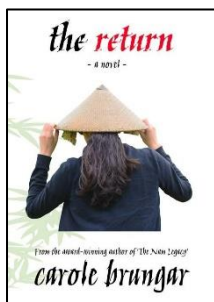
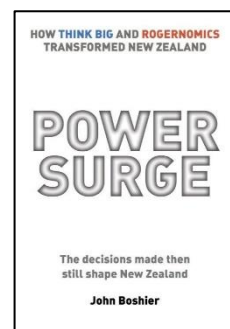
Matariki is the Māori name for the cluster of stars, that rises in midwinter and for many Māori, heralds the start of the new year. For the first time in Aotearoa, it will officially be celebrated as a public holiday on the 24th of June 2022. It is an opportunity for all people of Aotearoa to come together and reflect on the year that has passed, celebrate the present, and plan for the future. With Matariki being acknowledged as a public holiday this year, you may wish to celebrate with a great Matariki book. [Read NZ](#) and the [Sapling](#) have curated lists of some of the many Matariki books available.



Book Giveaways

To enter to win any or all of the books below, please email communications@read-nz.org with your name and address, and the book's title in the subject line.

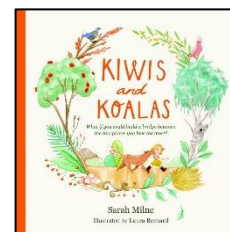
[Power Surge](#): *How Think Big and Rogernomics Transformed New Zealand* by John Boshier. An insider who worked in the Ministry of Energy with ministers from both sides of the political divide, Boshier records this turbulent era and its relevance to today's problem of climate change.



[The Return](#) by Carole Brungar. In the days leading up to the fall of Saigon, Operation Babylift saw the mass evacuation of thousands of babies and young children, the result of relationships between soldiers and Vietnamese women. Although Jackie in *The Return* was one of those children, she is rescued by her father's family and returned to New Zealand.

In this, her fifth novel featuring the Vietnam war, Brungar's true-to-life characters have become well-loved by veterans and others. While featuring characters from previous stories, *The Return* can be read as a complete stand-alone story.

[Kiwis and Koalas](#) by Sarah Milne and Laura Bernard (illustrated children's book). This is a charming and whimsical tale of a little girl, her furry best friend, and a big imagination. It takes readers on a magical journey around Australia and New Zealand, stopping to sightsee along the way



Library News continued...



This month's schools and libraries **giveaway** is a copy of picture book [*That's Not a Hippopotamus*](#).

To enter, [email Gecko Press](#) with 'Hippopotamus' in the subject line and include your postal address. Your entry will go into a prize draw, and Gecko press will pick a winner at random after the closing date on 30th June 2022

KINDO – OUTSTANDING CHARGES

To check if you have paid all outstanding expenses, please visit www.mykindo.co.nz and click on the 'my orders' tab at the top of the screen.



All 2022 EOTC and online learning charges (R.E., Mathletics, Maths Buddy, Steps, SeeSaw) are now overdue.

If anything is outstanding for your child(ren) we would greatly appreciate payment prior to **the end of Term 2**.

If you have any questions or queries please either contact Kindo directly at Tel: 0508 454 636 or Email: hello@mykindo.co.nz or Anneliese Bridges in the school office Tel: 09 478 7734, Email: office@sjmb.school.nz

PARISH NEWS



Midwinter Christmas celebration Saturday, 25th June. If you and your family are keen to join in a fun mid-winter Christmas celebration, please contact Lindsay Brand on the following email address to reserve your places: lindsay.brand3@gmail.com



Tuesday Morning CATCH-UP: Join us at the White Flower Café, Browns Bay on Tuesday between 9.30 & 11.00am. If anyone would like to join us. This is an opportunity just to meet socially & chat.

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 12 3059 0241398 00**



We now have a new database for the parish. Two parishioners, Jo Ramsay and Anthony Moorcroft have stepped forward to support us in keeping our database up to date. If they call you, please be nice to them. **We will not ask you any personal questions over the phone.** The main task for our two volunteers is to find out who is still part of the parish and who has moved on.

Volunteers Catechists Children's Sacramental Programs. As you know with Covid many of our sacramental programs in some way may have suffered. Our children are still very much in need for all you do for them in preparing them for their first sacraments. We wish to cordially invite you to a ½ day retreat on Saturday, 9th of July 2022 from 9am to 12:30pm. In our time we will look at resources, share morning tea together, talk and can be prayed with for a refresh of the Holy spirit. Please register with Deacon Steve on stephenf@cda.org.nz or call on Tel: 021 439 407

Harbour Hospice – North Shore is seeking a SPIRITUAL CARER. Walk alongside patients, family and whānau, supporting them with their spiritual needs to provide quality end of life care. If this sounds like you, have appropriate experience and qualifications, Harbour Hospice welcomes your application. <https://tt.harbourhospice.org.nz/jobs/1786765-spiritual-carer>

Chief Executive The Interchurch Council for Hospital Chaplaincy (IHC). IHC is committed to governing, managing, and providing Christian ecumenical hospital chaplaincy services throughout Aotearoa. Reporting to the Trust Board Chair, the Chief Executive will provide strategic leadership & oversight of the organisation's operational activities to ensure that effective, efficient and compliant chaplaincy services are provided throughout the hospital network. <https://mclaren.co.nz/vacancies/?ja-job=3913396>