

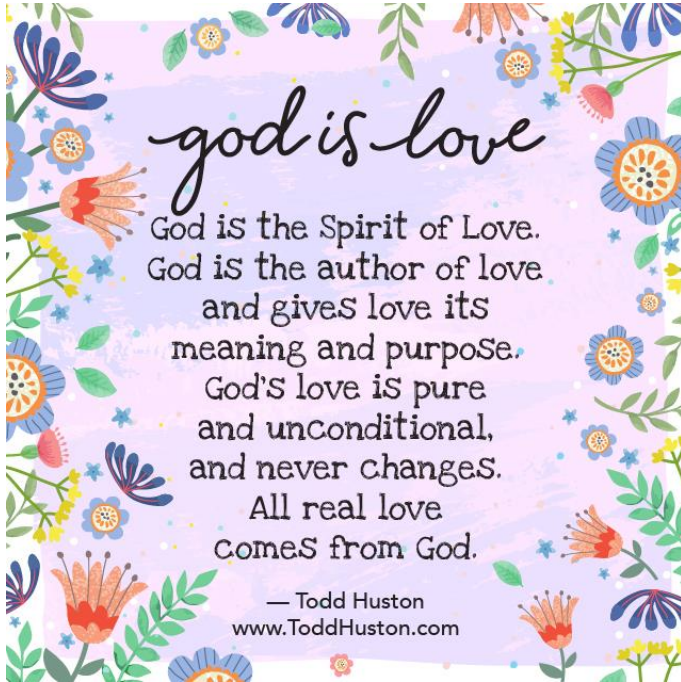


Week 5, Term 3  
23 August 2022

# NEWSLETTER

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

Kia ora whānau



**We welcome Mrs Bridges** back from the UK. The children were pleased to see her and made her a 'welcome back banner'. We also thank Mrs Binns (Miss Binns' Mum) for holding the fort in Mrs Bridges' absence.

**BARK NZ** visited school yesterday and performed two shows for our children. They brought three gorgeous dogs with them. A black Lab, a Huntaway and a giant Mastiff (it was huge!). The show was excellent and great learning for our children of how to safely behave around dogs, both known and unknown to them.

**Our Board** has recently had wheel stops and speed humps installed to further ensure the safety of our children and community. The wheel stops are by the front entrance footpath to prevent cars mounting the curb and the speed humps have been placed on the driveway leading to the turning circle, hoping to slow traffic.

### Student Led Conferences

This time next week your children will take great pleasure in sharing their classroom and their learning with you. The children and their teachers put a lot of effort into preparing for this occasion and we look forward to seeing you on-site.

### KNOWLEDGE-A-THON FUNDRAISER

Thank you for your ongoing support of this fundraiser. This week, teachers will be checking that the children have all the answers, giving them time to learn them. I would like to acknowledge and thank all those families who have already registered and begun collecting sponsorship. It is an amazing effort and result so far.

### FABULOUS FATHER'S DAY OUT

Celebrating Father's Day is a time to celebrate and acknowledge our dads and father figures. On Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September we would like to invite fathers or a father figure to join us at school from 8:50am until approx. 11:00am. Children brought home a personal invitation last Friday. **We ask that RSVPs are returned to each class teacher as soon as possible.**

We acknowledge that Father's Day can be an emotionally difficult time if your father has passed away. While no one can replace dad, whether it is a grandfather, a godfather, an uncle, an older brother, or a family friend, we hope that someone will be able to come to help the children celebrate. We also realise that, for some, fathers may not be able to join us due to distance or unavoidable commitments. Please be assured that no child will be left out. Please feel free to contact the class teacher, myself, or Miss Binns if you have any questions or concerns.

God bless,  
Viki Trainor, Principal.

## STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Student Led Conferences will be held **next Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> August**. School will finish at 12 noon and conferences will begin at 1.00pm. There will be no school buses running. Bookings will be available every 15 minutes.

These conferences are an opportunity for your children to share their learning with you. Your child will show you their work and you can ask your child questions and join in activities they may show you. The children will need to come to school in their uniform to conduct the Student Led Conference. There are three bookings available for each time slot.

Bookings can be made through the following [link](#) or online at [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) with our case sensitive code being **m67tw**

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

- The next Board meeting is this Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> August at 6.30pm in the Staff Room
- The next PTFA meeting will be Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm in the Staff Room
- Class, Individual and Sibling Photographs will be taken at school on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> September
- Sports Team Photographs will be taken at school on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> September

Coaches and Managers are very welcome to join their teams for their photographs, however, we are unable to provide a specific running order or indication of what time of day specific teams will have their photograph taken. If you would like to attend and have some flexibility, please email Karen Dorrington at [sports@sjmb.school.nz](mailto:sports@sjmb.school.nz) who maybe able to give more guidance on timing closer to the date.

## SAVE THE DATE

**PTFA Twilight Gala on 11th November**

If anyone/business is willing to donate items for small raffles or silent auctions please email the PTFA directly at [ptfa@sjmb.school.nz](mailto:ptfa@sjmb.school.nz)



## KNOWLEDGE-A-THON FUNDRAISER

**Congratulations, our current fundraising total is \$14,285  
154 students signed up**



**SPOT PRIZES** Last Friday the PTFA, using a random number generator, picked twelve student names from the list of those that have created fundraising accounts with Raise It for our Term 3 fundraiser.



Sienna, from Houpara Room 1, won the top prize of a smartwatch. This was collected on her behalf by her brother, Sienna was at home sick. We hope this prize cheered you up!

Other prizes included Westfield vouchers, a netball, a sparkly glitter ball, water bottles and clothing. See the photos of some of our prizewinning students who are helping to support our fundraising goal.



Teachers are going through the Knowledge-a-Thon answers with their students in class. We encourage all students to set up an account with Raise It to gather sponsors for their Knowledge-a-Thon.



Students in **Keegan** house have currently raised the most sponsorship money (an impressive **\$5,845**) and earned themselves an extra ten minutes of playtime today. All the houses are keen to win the overall top house prize of a pizza lunch, kindly supported by our PTFA.

# Daffodil Day 2022

The day we take  
back from cancer



**THIS Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> August, we will be participating in Daffodil Day.**

Daffodil Day symbolises hope for the 1 in 3 New Zealanders affected by cancer.  
We invite the children to bring in a **gold coin donation to place on a coin trail** we will be doing.

Your donations will go towards vital scientific research into the causes and treatment of all types of cancer, as well as providing a wide range of support services for people affected by cancer.

Ngā mihi,  
Laura Baddeley – *Director of Religious Studies*

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I would like to take the opportunity to share this prayer with you. It was written by James, one of our Year 6 students, as part of a Religious Education lesson on different types of prayer.

## THE HOMELESS MAN

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WHENEVER I WALK PAST HIM, I TUG MY MUM'S SHOULDER,

WHENEVER I WALK PAST HIM, I SEE HIM FREEZING,

WHENEVER I WALK PAST HIM, I KNOW HE HAS NO MONEY,

WHENEVER I WALK PAST HIM, OTHER PEOPLE DO AS WELL,

WHENEVER I WALK PAST HIM, I FEEL FUNNY INSIDE,

WHENEVER I WALK PAST HIM, I FEEL HIS PAIN.

HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO GET A JOB,

HE HAS NO MORE FAMILY.

GOD, PLEASE BLESS THE HOMELESS PEOPLE, AND GIVE THEM A HOME IN HEAVEN.

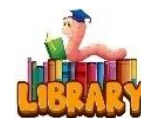
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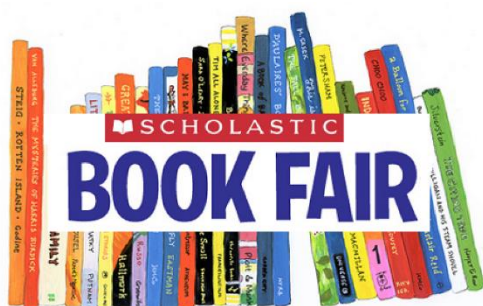


## SJMB Year 5 and 6 Book Battle

Wishing luck to our two competing teams at Book Battle on Friday. Mrs. Marsh and I have enjoyed the very bookish Wednesday afternoons prepping with likeminded people. Thank you to the parents of our competing students for your valuable support and encouragement of our tamariki. I hope that you have enjoyed this book journey with your children.



## Scholastic Book Fair



Next week will see the Scholastic Book Fair taking place in the School Library. This has been postponed the last two years. It is wonderful to see it going ahead this year. I can't wait to see you all!

Tamariki will walk around the book fair with their class on Monday and will bring home a leaflet to show the types of books available.

Book Fair will be open for parents for purchases during the following times.

Tuesday, 30th August (during student led conferences)	1.00pm – 3.00pm 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Wednesday, 31st August	1.30 – 3.30pm
Thursday, 1st September	2.50 – 3.30pm
Friday, 2nd September (during FDDO)	9.30am – 12pm

Please remember to bring a shopping bag and wear a mask.

## Overdue School Library Books

Lookout for overdue notices coming home on Fridays. 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](mailto: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 or in the library. Above all we want our children to read. 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 one.



# SPORTS NEWS



We are introducing a softball programme to our school which will be delivered to our children by coaching staff from Harbour Softball. They will do an 'Introductory Demo Day' for each class once, during school time next week on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August and Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> September.

Please ensure all children have their FULL PE gear with them on both days, so that whichever day their class is called up, the children are prepared. Children without their PE gear will not be permitted to participate.

Following on from the Demo Days, Harbour Softball will then run a 7-week programme during the school lunch break for families who would like their child to learn more about the sport.

The lunchtime programmes will take place on consecutive Wednesdays as follows:

<b>WHAT:</b>	Harbour Softball Programme
<b>DURATION:</b>	7 weeks
<b>WHEN:</b>	Wednesday Lunchtimes at school
<b>VENUE:</b>	On the School Turf
<b>DATES:</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> September to 9 <sup>th</sup> November
<b>COST:</b>	\$60.00 per child

## REGISTRATIONS:

Parents are to register their children **directly** with Harbour Softball after the Demo Days. A flyer with full details will be given to all children at the end of their class session. The registration email or link will be on the flyer.

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## NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING



The PTFA are offering an opportunity for local business people who have a child or children currently attending at St. John's School, to advertise at the back of the weekly Newsletter.

For further information please read this [letter](#).

Please direct all responses or queries to [ptfa@sjmb.school.nz](mailto:ptfa@sjmb.school.nz)

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## NEW ENTRANT ENROLMENTS FOR 2023

You are reminded that applications for New Entrant enrolment for next year (2023) will close on 31<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto: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.

Please encourage your friends, family members and other families you know at pre-schools and day-care centres with new entrants who may qualify for Preference Enrolment to lodge their applications before 31<sup>st</sup> August or to ring Michele at the school office if they have any questions regarding enrolment. Online applications can be made on the tab on the home page of the school website. Enquiries can also be made by email [michelen@sjmb.school.nz](mailto:michelen@sjmb.school.nz)

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## NGĀ KĀKAHU O TE KURA - *UNIFORM REMINDER OF THE WEEK*



LOST PROPERTY – we have been able to return several items to children this week, however, there is still a number of **unnamed** items in lost property. If you are missing items of your child's uniform, please do call into the office at any time of day to check in the lost property box kept under the bench in the Sick Bay.

Items not claimed by the end of the term are either donated to our second-hand uniform sales or a suitable charity.

## SECOND HAND UNIFORM

For any urgent needs please contact our parent co-ordinator: Fran Gilchrist, Tel: 021 488 279.



## Kupu o te Wiki

### WORD OF THE WEEK

**hui** meaning

1. (verb) (-a) to gather, congregate, assemble, meet.
2. (noun) gathering, meeting, assembly, seminar, conference.

## PĀNUI WHAKANUIA – CONGRATULATIONS

Netball PoD – Martina Mena, Arlo McGregor, Lauren Graham.

Netball Coaches Award – Isla McQueen, Ruby Beresford-Huey-Kher

Basketball PoD – Spencer Drury

Hockey PoD – Brooke Thornton



Have you noticed that the cardboard bread tags are very quickly replacing plastic bread tags? On 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022, the organisation is no longer collecting bread tags.

**Therefore, if you have any PLASTIC bread tags at home as per the picture, please bring them to the school office by the end of this week.**

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who has supported this initiative!



## PARISH NEWS

### Service Opportunity: Parish Finance Committee

Our Parish Finance Committee is called to support the Mission of the Church and work with the Parish Priest by helping with resourcing, planning, operations, and accounting. We are looking for new members. If you are financially literate, know your way around a P&L and balance sheet, are familiar with strategy and operations, and are willing to serve the Church by using your gifts in these areas then please get involved. Potential candidates are appointed by the parish priest after they are Police vetted. Please contact: Beate Matthies, Operations & Finance Manager, East Coast Bays Catholic Parish. Email: [beate@ecbcatholic.org.nz](mailto:beate@ecbcatholic.org.nz). Tel: (09) 478 4565.



**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** Our stocks are very low; we especially need **TEA, RICE AND BISCUITS**. We very much appreciate all the donations we receive. Please leave your donations in the basket in the church foyer.



Parish News Continued...

**From The Society of St Vincent de Paul...** We appreciate your continued support so we can provide our service without judgement for those in need. Frequently the help required is for items other than food. To enable us to provide the best support we ask you to consider a donation to our bank account to allow us to manage the varied needs of the people we help. Bank account no. **12-3059-0241398-00**. We have Charitable Trust status with IRD & can issue a receipt, when making a direct credit, email us your relevant particulars. **Again thank you for your generous support.** Email [treasurersvdpcb@gmail.com](mailto:treasurersvdpcb@gmail.com)



**to those who supported the gardening working bee.**

**GENERAL WORKING BEE; Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> September, 10.00 am - 12.00 noon** around St John's and the Presbytery. Organised by Barry Rogers

**VACANCIES** – Please refer to the [Parish newsletter](#) for further information

- **Mercy Hospice - Palliative Medicine Employment Opportunity**  
Mercy Hospice Auckland is recruiting for an experienced Counsellor and Social worker to join the psychosocial support team.
- **Job Vacancy – Officer Manager – Holy Cross Seminary** is based in Ponsonby, is looking for an experienced Office Manager to be an integral part of our team.
- **Vacancy Kaiwhakahaere Matua Chief Executive** for Monte Cecelia Housing Trust
- **Tenancy & Property Coordinator at De Paul House** The position entails the ability to learn the skills to assist our tenancy team with over 45 units and houses.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**ALONE AGAIN? Widowed, Separated or Divorced?** The Beginning Experience is a non-profit organization with the motto a “Weekend Away for a Lifetime of Change” for adults. The retreat will help you work through your painful loss. The participants find new hope, increased emotional health and renewed energy. Date Friday evening to Sunday afternoon 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> September. Cost \$350. Includes accommodation, meals and materials. Contact Lynda 0274898003 and (09) 478 9742 or Kelly evenings 027 686 4416 [www.beginningexperience.org.nz](http://www.beginningexperience.org.nz)



### Play Cricket with East Coast Bays Cricket

Registrations for the cricket season are now open.

Please register online at  
[eastcoastbayscricket.co.nz](http://eastcoastbayscricket.co.nz)

East Coast Bays Cricket is one of the largest clubs on Auckland's North Shore, providing cricket for all ages and all levels. The Club is focused on fun, teamwork and performance providing children of all skill levels a chance to learn the game in an enjoyable environment. We cater for all children's cricket from Year 1 through to Year 8, both girls and boys.

The uniform comprises a club shirt, club shorts or trousers, and club cap. The Club has the clothing available for purchase and the full range will also be available on muster day. The Club provides all playing equipment required, although you are welcome to use your own.

## TRY TENNIS FOR FREE AT MAIRANGI BAY CLUB

### WHAT WE ARE OFFERING!

- **FREE Coaching** during Term 4 and 1 included in junior membership
- **10% OFF Junior Membership** if you join before 30th September 2022
- **10% OFF Term 3 Holiday Programme**



### UPCOMING JUNIOR OPEN DAYS

**Sunday 4th September 2-4 pm**

**Sunday 11th September 11-4 pm**

- Fun games and drills
- Suitable for all abilities
- Tennis racquets available to borrow
- Sausage sizzle
- Bar will open for parents with soft drinks for kids.



### FOR MORE DETAILS...

**Website:** <https://clubspark.kiwi/mairangibaytennis>

**Email:** [manager@mairangibaytennis.co.nz](mailto:manager@mairangibaytennis.co.nz)

**Phone:** 027 479 4329



## The naturopath for busy mums

Free "Busy Mum's Quick Meals" ebook for every St John's mum booking.

### Holistic healthcare:

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- hormones



Jane McClurg  
BNatMed

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5 Vega Place

## INTERESTED IN INTERNAL SHUTTERS?

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**09 475 5510**

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