

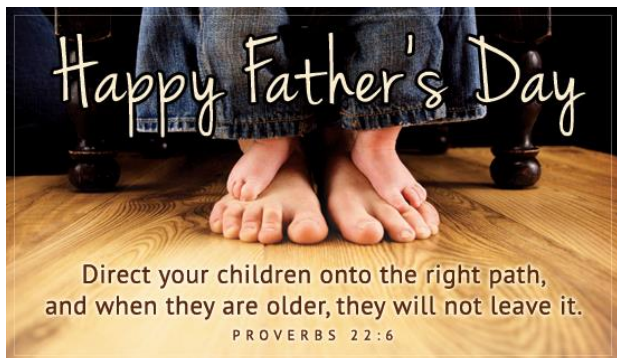


**Week 6, Term 3**  
**30 August 2022**



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

Kia ora whānau



As we enter September and the second half of this term we are blessed with beautiful weather, giving the children the opportunity to get out in the sunshine. School life continues to be busy at the moment with many exciting events. In the past week we have seen teams go out to represent the school in Basketball, Hockey and Football and as a school we continue to prepare for the Knowledge-a-Thon and Fabulous Dad's Day Out on Friday. The children have also been working hard to prepare for their student led conferences and look forward to sharing their learning with you this afternoon.

It was a real pleasure to share in the Sacrament of Initiation on Sunday, with many of our children making their First Holy Communion. It was a truly blessed time and I ask that you all, as part of our faith community, continue to pray for them, that they will continue to feel the warmth and comfort of God's love as they grow in their faith journey.

We look forward to having a 'full house' on Friday when our Fabulous Dads join us for a time of learning, fun and play. I would like to take the opportunity to wish all our wonderful Fathers, Grandfathers, Godfathers, and those who take on the special role of fathering in our whānau, a Happy Father's Day for Sunday. May God bless you on your parenting journey.

Viki Trainor – *Principal*

### **FABULOUS FATHER'S DAY OUT**

Celebrating Father's Day is a time to celebrate and acknowledge our dads and father figures.

**THIS Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 8.50am to approximately 11.00am**

we would like to invite fathers or a father figure to join us at school from 8:50am until approx. 11:00am.

Children should have recently brought home a personal invitation.

**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.*

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**LAST DAY OF TERM 4, 2022** will be Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> December, school will close at 12.00 noon

#### **TERM DATES 2023**

TERM 1	31 <sup>st</sup> JANUARY	TO	THURSDAY, 6 <sup>th</sup> APRIL
TERM 2	24 <sup>th</sup> APRIL	TO	30 <sup>th</sup> JUNE
TERM 3	17 <sup>th</sup> JULY	TO	22 <sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER
TERM 4	9 <sup>th</sup> OCTOBER	TO	DECEMBER (date tbc)

- The next PTFA meeting will be Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm in the Staff Room
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## 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)



## 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)

## KNOWLEDGE-A-THON FUNDRAISER

**ONLY 3 DAYS TO GO!**  
**The Fundraising total is now at an incredible \$17,118**

**Congratulations and gratitude to the 179 students that have contributed to this impressive level of fundraising for our School's Knowledge-a-Thon.**



Last Friday we held a spot prizegiving, on the photograph you can see the winners of the underwater camera and rugby ball. **Keegan** House had raised the largest fundraising total to date and enjoyed 15 minutes extra playtime to celebrate their efforts.

It's not too late for you to join in this incredible community fundraising effort. Each child can sign up for their very own fundraising web page to send out to collect online sponsorship. Sponsorship can be collected from anyone, anywhere and sponsors can choose their own currency to donate in, if they wish. Just go to our School Fundraising Hub page at: <https://stjohnsknowledgeathon.raiseit.nz/hub>

Finally, please practise the Knowledge-a-Thon questions with your children at home, especially those Dads who will be helping their children to answer the questions at the Fabulous Dads Day on Friday. If you are still not sure of the name of the strait that separates the North and South Islands or what ANZAC stands for, you have three more days to build your knowledge and help your children.

## CLASS, INDIVIDUAL, SIBLING AND SPORTS PHOTOS

### Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September



- 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.

## Family Photographs

This week the eldest children in each family will bring home a 'Sibling Photo Request' form so that the children can be photographed together. Please keep an eye out for them in your children's school bags.

No family will be photographed without this form which should be completed and returned to the school office by end of school day on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> September. Sibling photograph packs (12 items for \$30) can be ordered and paid for, in due course, in the same way as the individual and class photos.



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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### First Holy Communion

On Sunday, a large group of our Senior School children made their First Holy Communion. We were so pleased that this special day could finally go ahead after all the Covid restrictions last year.

Thank you to Mrs Anne Howard and Mrs Beverley Harper for their support alongside the Parish Pastoral Co-ordinator Liz George.



### Prayer After Holy Communion

O Lord,  
may my eyes that behold You elevated above the altar  
only look upon what is pure and good.  
May I use my eyes to see others as You see them,  
as Your precious and beloved children.  
May my hand that holds Your precious body  
touch others only with love and compassion.  
May my tongue which touches  
Your Precious Body and Precious Blood for a moment  
only speak truth, kindness, and love.  
May my mind which contemplates You  
understand the value and great love You give me.  
May my heart understand  
the true and sacrificial love You have for me.  
May my soul one day  
be in Heaven with You.  
Amen.

TOBY ALLEN, SUMMER ANTWAN, HARRIET ASHTON, JAMES BARRETT, MAXIMO BOXALL, IZAAC CHUA, XAVIER CORRO, MAGGY CUNDELL, ZACHARY DEI-CONTI, LACHIE DRURY, SPENCER DRURY, MASON EKSTEEN, AVIGAIL FERNANDO, SOPHIE HAYWARD, QUINN HOFMA, CHRISTIAN KALOOTI, HARA KANG, ZARA KO, ANNABELLE KO, BOSTON LEONARD, ANNALIESE MADGWICK, OLIVIA MCCOOL, OLIVIA MCKEWEN, ISLA MCQUEEN, MARTINA MENA, ISABELLA MITCHELL, GRAYSON MUDFORD, YOUSIF NAKAR, MARIKA PERERA, BRODIE PERRY, FYNN POLLOCK, ISAAC READE, JACOB ROBERTSON, TERESA ROTAECHE, TED SAGAR, DOMINIC SARRAF, AMBER SAXON, JACKSON SMITH, MEESOL TAK, ASHTON TORIZO, ISAAC TREEBY, ANNABELLE VINK, VINCENT WIDJAJA, ERIN WILES.

### Day of prayer for the Care of Creation – Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> September

Pope Francis established 1<sup>st</sup> September as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, asking the Catholic community around the world to pray for our common home.

He calls us all to celebrate this opportune moment to “reaffirm [our] personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore God’s help for the protection of creation, as well as God’s pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live.”



Religious Education news continued...

## Daffodil Day

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations for Daffodil Day last Friday.

**We raised \$440.10**

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. Daffodil Day symbolises hope for the 1 in 3 New Zealanders affected by cancer.

Thank you to Mrs Taylor and the Young MacKillops for leading the coin trial.



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



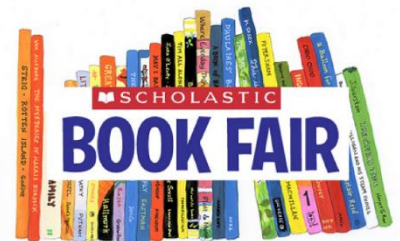
# LIBRARY NEWS



## Scholastic Book Fair

**THIS** 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 have walked around the book fair with their class this week and have been given a leaflet to show the types of books available.



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

### PAYMENT VIA EFTPOS, CREDIT CARD AND CASH ALL ACCEPTED

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.

[Library news continued...](#)





The annual Harcourts North Shore Book Battle took place at Northcross Intermediate School last Friday. St John's were represented well by two teams of passionate and knowledgeable readers from Y5 and 6. The teams had been training for a long time with the support of Mrs Dunn, our School Librarian, and Mrs Marsh.

The Book Battle was a 6-round quiz for 24 teams from schools across the North Shore. The questions were really tough, fortunately our teams knew the set texts really well. St John's Team A scored full marks on their round about "Because of Winn-Dixie" by Kate DiCammello. St John's Team B really showed their outstanding knowledge of the book "Goldilocks: Wanted Dead or Alive" by Chris Colfer.

After 6 exciting rounds our two teams had exactly the same score! A very respectable 58 which put them in 6th equal place with Westminster and Chelsea Schools.

This year's Book Battle was a very close competition and Mrs Dunn, Mrs Marsh and the parents that accompanied us to Northcross Intermediate School were very proud of the way the teams worked collaboratively. We all celebrated our hard work with an ice cream and a quick play at Sherwood Park.

*We were all in a big hall that had a big screen which projected the four answers A, B, C or D. So, there were six rounds with ten questions about books. The hall was at Northcross Intermediate, and we had two teams, A and B. Amina from team A had sat on a chair that had a spot prize card under it. She won \$10.00. After the Book Battle we went to get ice cream from the Sherwood Dairy.*

**By Nina Harris**

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# SPORTS NEWS

## Interschool Hockey Tournament

Last Wednesday our Year 5/6 Blacksticks girls' hockey team and our Year 5/6 Defenders mixed hockey team headed off to the National Hockey Centre to compete in the Super Cluster Interschool Hockey Tournament. This was the first Interschool tournament that our hockey players have had the opportunity to attend in over two years because of the Covid-19 pandemic, so our teams were very excited.

There were 11 teams at the tournament from 6 schools, who all battled with the less than favourable weather conditions at the start of the day. Our teams played 3 games in "round robin" play and then our Blacksticks played a 4<sup>th</sup> game which was the final. Below are the comments from our team coaches.

### Year 5/6 Girls Blacksticks Team

*On Wednesday 23rd August the Year 5/6 Girls hockey team took part in the Supercluster interschool tournament at the National Hockey Centre. The girls drew 0 - 0 with Browns Bay, beat Murrays Bay 1 - 0, and lost to Campbells Bay 0 - 2.*

*In the final we once more faced Campbells Bay, and played with great determination, but lost 0 - 1, securing second place in the girls' section of the tournament. The team were a credit to St John's in both effort and bearing.*

**Coach: Peter Hale**

Orlaith Burns, Sienna Gunn, Maria Hale, Bailey Le Maitre (Glamorgan), Ella Lester, Brooke Thornton, Amber Saxon.  
Peter Hale (Coach)



**Sports news continued...**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Overall in Supercluster Tournament – Girls Grade



### Year 5/6 Mixed Defenders Team

*The Defenders team played so amazingly well during the Supercluster interschool tournament last week, given they only had 6 players with no subs on the day. Definitely, "The little engine that could"! The Defenders team only started playing hockey in May but performed like they have been playing since forever. We are all so proud of them!*

**Coach: Nikki Deles**



### Interschool Basketball Tournament

*The St John's Warriors recently competed in the Super Cluster Interschool basketball tournament. After some good wins against Browns Bay and Pinehill, the team went down by two points to Campbell's Bay. Following the round robin pool play we were up against our nemesis from this season, the Murray's Bay All Stars, in the semi-final. Despite fighting hard until the end, we were not able to beat them. Our final game was against Sunnynook where we played off for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place overall. After another well-fought game, the Warriors finished up 4<sup>th</sup> in the tournament. The team should be proud of how they played and how they represented St John's on the day.*

**Coach: Sean O'Brien**



Thomas Duff, Maria Hale, Billy Hogan, Jonathan Ichwansyah, Jayden Ip, Isaac O'Brien, Liam Sayegh.  
Sean O'Brien (Coach) and Peter Hale (Manager)

Thank you to coach Sean O'Brien and manager Peter Hale who transported the team to and from the tournament and did such an excellent job of coaching them.

### Softball Demo Day

This week, on Wednesday and Thursday we are hosting North Harbour Softball who are coming into school to run Demo sessions, where all of our children, via their classes, will take part in one 30-40min "taster" session. Following on from the Demo Days we intend to run lunchtime sessions over a 7-week period for any children who may be interested in learning how to play softball.

Please click on the picture to the right for a link to **register directly with North Harbour Softball**.





# GARDEN TO TABLE



GROW,  
HARVEST,  
PREPARE,  
SHARE

It has been a wet start to the term in the garden, but the children have managed to get out there with gumboots and raincoats. We have also been doing a few indoor activities such as making seed tape and trying to grow microgreens in egg cartons and egg shells.

Now with warmer weather, we are focusing on getting our gardens ready for spring planting by adding lots of our compost, mulch and coffee grounds. We are also planting seeds in our greenhouse.

We are always looking for donations of any extra watering cans, garden secateurs or wood for building new gardens that you may have lying around.



Ange Moore – Garden Specialist

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



Please remind your children to check the Lost Property in the Sick Bay regularly for items they may have displaced.

A particular plea from Mrs Bridges to ensure that ALL items are clearly NAMED.

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## NEW ENTRANT ENROLMENTS FOR 2023

**You are reminded that applications for New Entrant (Preference and Non-Preference) enrolment for next year (2023) will close TOMORROW 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@simb.school.nz](mailto:MicheleN@simb.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@simb.school.nz](mailto:michelen@simb.school.nz)

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## SECOND HAND UNIFORM

The next second-hand uniform sale will be **THIS Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> September at 2.30pm** in the School Hall.

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

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### Kupu o te Wiki

## WORD OF THE WEEK

**Kamupūtu** meaning 'gumboot'

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## PĀNUI WHAKANUIA – CONGRATULATIONS

Netball PoD – Olivia McKewen (awesome defence), Eliza Mudford (good shooting), Aria Honey-Rerekura  
Hockey PoD – Amina Deles (excellent defending and goal)  
Soccer PoD – Florence Hill (good kicks and passing), Isaac Reade (good defence, hat trick)  
Netball Coaches Award - Irene Renoh  
Splash Polo PoD – Janneke Madgwick



## PARISH NEWS



**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.



**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 [treasurersvdpecb@gmail.com](mailto:treasurersvdpecb@gmail.com)

**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

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## COMMUNITY NOTICES



### 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.

**Based on school rolls St John's has the highest percentage of children registered with the club.**

Please contact the Club for more information at [ecbayscricket@gmail.com](mailto:ecbayscricket@gmail.com)



# TAKAPUNA BOWLING CLUB

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SPECIAL GUEST APPEARANCES FROM

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FLAVELL, IAN JONES & DUAL COMMONWEALTH  
MEDALLIST SELINA GODDARD.

## 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)

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