

Week 9, Term 3 20 September 2022



The voice of St John's School

Kia ora Whānau

REMINDER

School will be closed next Monday, 26th September for Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day Public Holiday.



Last week Miss Binns and I attended the New Zealand Principals Conference in Christchurch. The conference was entitled 'Aotearoa ki te Whai Ao - Aotearoa and Beyond'. This conference was attended by over 800 NZ principals. Each day an array of excellent speakers provoked, challenged, and inspired our thinking. We had opportunity to select workshops of interest to attend and ample time to collaborate with colleagues from around the country. I wish to thank our Board for supporting us to attend the conference as not only did we gain new and exciting leadership ideas; Miss Binns and I had uninterrupted time to focus on St John's 2023.

School was well looked after while we were on Conference by our wonderful Mrs Marsh and the leadership team. I understand the children's disco was a great success. I know how excited the children were for this event and I thank our PTFA for their mahi to ensure this event would go ahead.



CULOTTES

We have been informed that our new additional item of uniform, navy culottes, will be available for purchase from NZ Uniforms from the start of Term 4.

They will be \$55.00 and may be worn all year round with either the short or long sleeve top.

Please contact <u>NZ Uniforms</u> (Tel: 09 477 6300) directly to ensure they have arrived and are in stock before visiting the store which is located at 19A Douglas Alexander Parade, Rosedale.

God bless, Viki Trainor – *Principal*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Cans for Christmas was established in 2015 as a community building project between the Catholic Schools in Auckland. It has now grown nationwide with schools in Wanaka, Alexandra and Wellington joining in.

We are collecting cans this week!

Please bring your can(s) to the office and place them in the boxes provided.

Over the past three years Cans for Christmas have collected approximately 31,000 cans of food for the St Vincent de Paul Society and The Mercy Hospice Centre, meaning they have been able to help over 2,000 families with canned food over the Christmas period.

Ngā mihi, Laura Baddeley - Director of Religious Studies





CHILDREN'S MASS – Third Sunday of each month, 9.00am Mass at St John's Church

If you are school aged and would like to participate in our **Children's Mass** every 3rd Sunday of each month, **please arrive at St John's Church at 8:30 am** where you will be given a special role in the mass such as reading or being a part of the offertory procession. Arriving at 8:30am will allow us enough time to practise your part so that you feel confident when mass starts at 9.00am. Ideally, we need about 14 children each time.

If you would like to be on an email list and receive a reminder of the Children's masses each month, please email me – lindy@willplan.co.nz. If you have any queries at all, please do not hesitate to contact me. These masses are an opportunity for the children to play a leadership role in the mass and to make it a special occasion for our parish.

Dates for the remainder of the year – 16th October, 20th November, 18th December. We look forward to your support. Please remember to arrive by 8:30am. Thank you. Lindy Williams.

A message from the Parish Office

CHURCH CARPARK ABUSE OF USE

NUMBER PLATES OF CARS WITHOUT A MOBILITY STICKER WILL BE RECORDED AND, IN AN ENDEAVOUR TO STOP THIS BEHAVIOUR, FOLLOW UP ENFORCEMENT ACTION MAY BE TAKEN.

Use of mobile phones while driving in the school and Church carparks IS UNACCEPTABLE AND DANGEROUS FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS.



UMBRELLAS FOR SALE

Don't get caught out in a spring shower! Grab your stylish, blue, St John's umbrella for only \$35.00.

Available from the School Office during normal office hours. Cash or EFTPOS accepted.

THE ST JOHN'S TWILIGHT GALA - FRIDAY 11th NOVEMBER 2022

VOLUNTEERS WEEK

We know you can't wait to get involved on Gala Day (11th November), so here is your opportunity! There are three ways you can join in on the day:

- 1. Sign up to help set-up the Gala on the 11th. If you have a volunteer day, a spare annual leave day from work or can be flexible with your hours, then why not join the set-up crew this involves putting up gazebos, raising bunting and helping set up stalls.
- 2. Do you have a great idea for a stall you'd like to run at Gala? We'd especially love to hear from you if you would like to put together a food stall. In the past we have had Indian, Malaysian, Sushi, and Asian noodles, but many of the parents that ran these stalls have now left St John's.
- 3. Join the parents and caregivers from your classroom to run your classroom's allocated stall (see below) on Gala Day. Parents/caregivers are asked to give 30 mins of their time to run the stall. Once you've had your turn you can pass to the next person on your roster and show them the ropes (which we promise are super easy).

Your CLP (Classroom Liaison Parent) will be in touch this week to sign up volunteers for the class stalls, but if you would like to help set-up on Gala Day, or you have a stall idea, then please let your CLP know, or email ptfa@simb.school.nz.

| CLASSROOM | STAND |
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| 1. | Hot chips and drinks |
| 2. | Smash a plate |
| 3. | Inflatable soccer challenge |
| 4. | Hot chips and drinks |
| 5. | Nail painting and tattoos |
| 6. | Nail painting and tattoos |
| 7. | Kids games |
| 8. | Kids games |
| 9. | Sausage sizzle |
| 10. | Bouncy castle |
| 11. | Cupcake decorating stall |
| 12. | Inflatable jousting challenge |
| 13. | Rugby challenge |

Every donation and every hour of help makes a huge difference to the success of our biggest fundraiser. Thank you for your generosity.

KIDS ART WORKS

The PTFA have joined up with **Kids Art Works** and our wonderful classroom teachers to turn your child's art into a unique keepsake for you and your family to enjoy.

Each child has created their own piece of artwork to be displayed on a range of products available for you to purchase. The range includes a calendar, set of 8 cards, a diary, mouse mat and sketch pads. You will shortly be able to review your child's art adorned on these products online (using a child specific code) and order directly through the website. Final products will be available in early November - just in time to meet those overseas posting cutoff times for Christmas!



Watch out for a notice in your child's bag later this week.

We have received the following information from Subway:

This message is to confirm that our online ordering services are changing.

Our current Subway® app was discontinued on 9th September 2022 and we launched a new version of our Subway® New Zealand app on Monday, 12th September 2022.

To access the new Subway® New Zealand app, you will need to download the new version and login with your previous details to enter your existing account.

The Subway® Team

SCHOOL DUES - END OF TERM 3

The Diocesan Finance Office has asked that we forward to them, by the end of this week, the remainder of Attendance Dues collected on their behalf for Term 3. If you wish to discuss any matters relating to fees for 2022, please contact, in confidence, Viki Trainor vikit@sjmb.school.nz or her PA, Michele Nash. If you would like to clarify any balance of fees, please email michelen@sjmb.school.nz

Attendance Dues are a compulsory charge, and this is the reason that if you pay your fees by instalments, you will notice Attendance Dues are receipted first.

For online payments our School Board ASB account is: 12-3042-0320348-00. Please use your child's surname as reference.

RECENT SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

YEAR 4 WEARABLE ARTS





This term as part of our Technology focus, the Year 4 classes have been learning about Wearable Arts. We learnt what the purpose of Wearable Art is, and where we can find examples of Wearable Art in different communities. We worked in groups to design and construct an item of Wearable Art that was durable and easy to wear.

This week, the Year 4 cohort came together to showcase our hard work and designs. It was really interesting to see how different materials were used to create outstanding pieces of art! All the materials that were used were recycled either from home or the North Shore Resource Centre in Birkenhead (which is highly recommended to take a trip to for school holiday craft – fill a bag for \$5.00).

This was an excellent unit of work, and I was amazed by the creativity of these Year 4 children – Mrs Trainor

SPORTS NEWS

TERM 4 TOUCH LEAGUE - UPDATE

Parents were recently sent an email confirming the placement of their child into a Touch team for the Term 4 League. Many of our formed teams are currently **without coaches and managers**, and this was informed to parents in the same email.

Unfortunately, children placed in teams without a coach will not be able to play Touch in Term 4 as it is a requirement of the league that teams entered **must have** a coach.

We urgently request your help to come forward and offer to coach one of our teams. **Our coaching roles will need to be filled by midday this Thursday** to allow us to enter the teams that are currently without a coach. If you are able to fill the role of coach in your child's team please email our Sports Co-ordinator Karen Dorrington asap at sports@simb.school.nz.

SPLASH POLO NEWS

Wishing the Year 3 Dolphins Splash Polo team the very best of luck for their final match this Sunday afternoon for the A grade, competing for 1st/2nd place! The team is very excited and hoping to win the season! From Michelle Burdett



FOOTBALL NEWS

The ECB Raptors football team, made up of Year 3 and Year 4 St John's players, had their last game of the season on Saturday. The boys thoroughly enjoyed their first full season as a team. Coach Brendon Murphy said he'd seen a big improvement in all the boys' skills throughout the season and saw great examples every week of good sportsmanship and looking out for each other on the pitch. Well done, boys! From: Kath Murphy



Louvel Armiger, James Barrett, Lewis Doh, Finn George, Zack Hanabadi, Michael Harris, Tait Keegan, Luca Moss, George Murphy, Wonai Shoniwa, Louie Straka, Andre Wartanian

ATTENTION NETBALLERS!! Holiday Netball Skill Sessions



Karen Dorrington, our Sports Co-ordinator, will be holding Netball Skills sessions during the school holidays on the Thursday and Friday of the second week, for any of our netballers who would like some extra netball during the break and ahead of the Spring Leagues that are starting in Term 4. The sessions will be held on our school court and will consist of all aspects of court play, teaching, demonstrating & breaking down of the rules, various tips; technical aspects of the game (age dependent); netball team drills and games. The sessions will be structured and run according to the age of each group and will be fun. The times and days are as follows:

Thursday 13th October - Year 5 & 6 players Friday 14th October - Year 1 & 2 players Friday 14th October - Year 3 & 4 players from 12.30pm - 3.30pm (3hrs) from 9.00am - 11.00am (2hrs) from 12.00pm - 2.00pm (2hrs)

The cost of the sessions will be \$20 per child and each session is limited to 20 players. However, if the response is favourable and there are more than 20 players per session then the groups may be split up, and the times or the day adjusted.

Please email Karen Dorrington at sports@sjmb.school.nz for further information, and to indicate your interest as soon as possible. An enrolment form will be sent to you and confirmation with payment will be required by Tuesday 11th October 2022.

PĀNUI WHAKANUIA - CONGRATULATIONS

Dylan Guan – Basketball PoD (x 2 for great teamwork) **Nina Harris** – Swimming, moved up to Development 2



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.

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

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.



Palliative Medicine Employment Opportunity

Mercy Hospice Auckland is recruiting for an experienced Counsellor & Social worker to join the psychosocial support team. part-time positions, & submissions are open through SEEK. Irat-tray@mh.org.nz, or Gwen Arago-Kemp: garago-kemp@mh.org.nz

BLESSING OF ANIMALS: Sunday October 9th; 3pm at St. John's School, Mairangi



9th; 3pm at St. John's School, Mairangi Bay. We invite you with your restrained pets to join us; to celebrate & give thanks for their companionship. Gather on the top court, weather permitting, otherwise in the school hall. Enquire Lysa 021 612 171

COMMUNITY NOTICES

KIDS CHOICE SCHOOL HOLIDAY bookings are now open. The programme will open on Monday 3rd October to Friday 14th October 2022. Days are full of fun activities and trips to stimulate and entertain your children in a safe, fully supervised environment. CYF's approved allowing you to apply for a subsidy. We are based at the Presbyterian Church, 10 Penzance Road, Mairangi Bay. Hours of operation are 7am til 6pm daily. Contact Barb 027 440 6363 or 09 478 3705 Email: kids.choice@infogen.net.nz

KIDS CHOICE OSCAR

Before and After school care for 5 - 14-year-olds.

Enrolments are currently available in our CYF's approved before and after school care programme. We currently operate from two sites:

St John's Primary School hall, 87 Penzance Road, Mairangi Bay.

Presbyterian Church hall, 10 Penzance Road, Mairangi Bay.

We give the children breakfast, and they take part in quiet activities until we take them to school each morning. After school we collect the children from school and take them to the programme where they have afternoon tea and assistance with their homework. We have several computers available for the children to use for homework purposes. Each day the children have a choice of various planned fun activities such as craft, art, cooking, knitting, cross stitch, games, sport etc. We spend time outdoors when the weather permits. Your children will be cared for by a great team of caring, professional, police vetted staff who love working with children. While our rates are reasonable, we are also **CYF's approved** enabling families to apply for OSCAR subsidies. Transport to or from sports activities can be available by negotiation. Call in for a visit and meet the team.

For further information Contact Barb 027 440 6363 or 09 478 3705 Email: kids.choice@infogen.net.nz





Join us for an in-depth free presentation:

What do we need to know about vaping and our rangatahi?

When: Tuesday September 27th, 6:15 pm start

Where: Murrays Bay Intermediate School, 37 Sunrise Ave RSVP: www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/407731284247 (click to register)

Join us for an in-depth session to learn more about vaping and the potential problem it presents for our children and young people.

The number of young tobacco smokers in NZ has reached an all-time low, but vaping products may be seen as an attractive alternative for young people. What do our young people need to know?

Dr Kelly Burrowes, from University of Auckland's, Auckland Bioengineering institute will share her knowledge and research into the health effects of vaping including:

- E-cigarettes and long term health impacts,
- Impacts on the body and lungs;
- Chemicals and how e-cigarettes work;
 - Regulation and marketing

Event timings 6.15pm Arrival / refreshments 6.30pm Seminar / Q&A 7.30pm Event concludes





Dr Kelly Burrowes, is an Associate
Professor at the Auckland
Bioengineering Institute. She has spent
20 years in research, with a focus on
smoking related lung disease, and is
currently working on a three-year
research project that aims to answer
questions around the potential health
impacts of vaping compared to
smoking regular cigarettes.



FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER GO TO WWW.KIWIKICKSTARS.COM



SOFTBALL DEMO DAY AT GLENFIELD CLUB

Following on from our successful Softball Demo Days at school we also wanted to make you aware of a 'Have a Go and Rego Day' at the Glenfield Softball Club. The registration day is Saturday, 24th September.

Whilst the club is based in Glenfield, we have been advised that all games and the majority of practices will be held at Rosedale Park.









