



Week 10, Term 3
27 September 2022

Kia ora Whānau



Today is the feast day of St Vincent de Paul. Saint Vincent de Paul was a French Catholic priest who dedicated himself to serving the poor. The Society of Vincent de Paul in Aotearoa strives to serve the most vulnerable in our communities whilst promoting human dignity. St Vincent de Paul are always great supporters of schools. I wish to thank the East Coast Bays branch of Vincent de Paul for their generosity to our school. May God continue to bless them in their work.



I hope you all enjoyed the public holiday yesterday in memory of our long serving Queen. We were blessed with lovely weather which always makes these days so much more special.

The end of the term is fast approaching and what a great term it has been. It is this term that has made me realise how much we have learnt from Covid. St John's staff and students have taken the positives from the Covid experience and used this to further improve our school and our curriculum. Whilst we still believe that face to face interactions are so important, we now utilise digital technology to provide opportunities for our children to interact with groups from other schools and for our teachers to engage in online professional development. Most importantly, and what cannot be replaced by Zooms, is having our whānau back on-site, fully engaged in their children's learning.

SPORTS CO-ORDINATORS AND COACHES

In particular, I would like to thank our parents who co-ordinate and coach our many sports teams. It is a big commitment, and our coaches give so generously of their time to teach our children a sport but also to teach them about sportsmanship. I wish to also thank Mrs Karen Dorrington for her dedication to sport at our school.

CLASS PLACEMENTS 2023

It is time once again to organise our classes for the following year. Teachers and Senior Leadership are now in the process of placing children into classes. Our teachers spend a lot of time getting to know your children as little people and in a learning capacity, therefore, their professional judgment is critical when placing the children in classes. If you wish to share any information about your child that you think we need to know when finalising placement please email classes@simb.school.nz by Friday, 21st October 2022. Confirmed placements for 2023 will be included in your child's end of year school report.

FOUND

Gift card found last Friday. Please come to the office to claim it. If you believe it is yours, you will need to know where the Gift Card is for and the value.

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 uniform top.



Please contact [NZ Uniforms](https://www.nzuniforms.co.nz) (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.

On behalf of the St John's team, I wish you all happy holidays with your children. If you are travelling – safe travels.

God bless, Viki Trainor – *Principal*

CLASS MASS AND LITURGY DATES

MASS - at 9.15am on Wednesday in St John's Church unless indicated otherwise

Date	Wk	Room
Wednesday, 26 th October	2	2
Wednesday, 2 nd November	3	5 & 12
Wednesday, 9 th November	4	9 & 13
Wednesday, 23 rd November	6	6, 10 & 11
Wednesday, 7 th December, 11.00am	8	Year 6 Graduation Mass

DIARY DATES FOR TERM 4

OCTOBER		
Thursday, 20 th	:	PTFA Meeting, 7.00pm in the Staff Room
Friday, 21 st	:	Mission Fair
Monday, 24 th	:	Labour Day – school closed
Thursday, 27 th	:	Andrew Chinn Concert, 7.00pm Tickets available on Kindo
NOVEMBER		
Tuesday, 1 st	:	Interschool Swimming Tournament
Tuesday, 8 th	:	Year 6 visit to watch Aladdin at MBIS
Thursday, 10 th	:	PTFA Gala Meeting, 7.00pm
Friday, 11 th	:	Twilight GALA, 4.00 – 8.00pm
Wednesday, 16 th	:	School Athletics Day, Millennium Stadium
Friday, 25 th	:	Interschool Athletics Competition
DECEMBER		
Wednesday, 7 th	:	EOY & year 6 Graduation Mass, 11.00am
Monday, 12 th	:	Year 6 Graduation Dinner & Dance
Wednesday, 14 th	:	Last Day of Term, school closes 12:00 noon

ANDREW CHINN CONCERT – 7.00pm Thursday, 27th October

FREE Tickets available now from Kindo (www.mykindo.co.nz)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Today we celebrate the Feast day of St. Vincent de Paul.

Since the early 1900's, young people have been involved with the work of the St Vincent de Paul Society in New Zealand. The Society was founded by seven people, most of whom were teenagers. The object of having a youth arm of the Society that caters for people from age about 11 to 30ish is to help them to realise that there are people in society in need, and to encourage them to help those people. They are also encouraged to realise that the reason Vincentians help people is not just because they feel good doing this work, but because of the Gospel message to love your neighbour as yourself. Something to think and pray about these holidays



Prayer for young Vinnies

We have full and busy lives, Lord, and may not know what it is like to sit alone,
longing for a knock at the door and someone to talk to.

We are young and fit, Lord, how can we understand what it is like to be old and helpless
with eyes that are dim, ears that are deaf and limbs that are stiff and clumsy.

We are fit and strong, Lord, and find it hard to imagine what it is like to be in bed day after day,
suffering pain that no one wants to hear about.

Lord, we will seek out the lonely the sick, the old, and bring them into the warmth of our lives.
Amen

MISSION FAIR Friday 21st October - Term 4, Week 1

We are thrilled to be able to hold our annual Mission Fair after a hiatus due to Covid restrictions.

In true Mary MacKillop fashion, *'Never see a need without doing something about it'*, the money raised will go to families at De Paul House in Northcote, who are less fortunate than us.



De Paul House provides housing and support services for those most vulnerable in our community, focusing on families with dependent children. Children will be able to wear non uniform clothes on the day at the cost of a gold coin donation.

We begin our Mission Day Fair after morning tea – this includes games, activities and raffles prepared by the children for the children. They pay to participate in the games and for this they will need 10¢ and 20¢ coins. Please prepare for this as change is not available from the school office. There will also be raffle prizes with tickets costing \$0.50 per ticket. Prizes include soft toys, stationery, arts, crafts, and sweet treats. **Tickets will be on sale all week at lunchtime during Week 1 and on the day of the Mission Fair.**

The spirit of the day is one of giving to children who are not as well off as we are. We have encouraged the children to do little jobs at home, especially over the holidays, to earn money to bring, spend and donate. Children are invited at the end of the fair to contribute 'left-over' money to the fundraising effort. Please speak to your children about the spirit of the day as being one of giving to others.

There will also be a sausage sizzle at lunchtime kindly sponsored by the PTFA – sausages \$1.00 each.



There will be a total of
TEN
RAFFLE baskets

CANS FOR CHRISTMAS

Thank you, St. John's, for the amazing generosity last week for our Cans for Christmas collection. The cans will go to help those who access the St. Vincent de Paul Society and The Mercy Hospice Centre. This means we have contributed to helping approximately 2000 families with canned food over the Christmas period.

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





CHOCOLATE WEEK (the best kind of week!)

This week we are collecting blocks of chocolate for the very popular Chocolate Trailer.
Drop your donations into the Gala box in your child's classroom

NON-UNIFORM DAY – This Friday!

Children, you have a wonderful opportunity to contribute to your favourite day of the school year – Gala Day!

THIS Friday 30th September, the last day of term, the students are having a non-uniform day.

For a gold coin donation, students can wear their own clothes, decorate a 'Lucky envelope' and enjoy the last day of term.

The envelopes will be decorated in class during the day and selections of different coins will be put into the envelopes. The envelopes will be part of the Lucky Envelope stall at the Gala on the 11th of November.

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.



We're halfway through the ordering period and want to make sure everyone that wants products made from their child's art can do just that! These make unique Christmas gifts for family and friends and are perfect for posting overseas.

Follow these instructions to place your order online:

1. Go to www.kidsartworks.com
2. Use the Entrance Code on your child's individual order sheet (bought home in bags last week). For St John's it starts with KZ1038
3. Enter your child's room & name

Ordering is open until Monday, 3rd October at 5pm (first Monday of holidays).
Payment can be made from the website or account2account.

UNIFORM REMINDER OF THE WEEK



You are reminded that the changeover to summer uniform takes place from the beginning of Term 4. Due to the fluctuating weather, there will be a period when either summer or winter uniform can be worn, however, all the children should be in summer uniform for the third week of Term 4, beginning Monday, 31st October. Please note that for this optional period, the children should wear either the existing summer uniform or the complete winter uniform which includes winter shoes.

Hats - These are a **compulsory item** and must be worn by the children during Terms 1 & 4. Hats must be the school uniform hat which can be purchased from [NZ Uniforms](#). Please ensure they are clearly named.

All St John's uniform pieces can be mixed and matched for all students, so long as the children are in full and correct St John's uniform. We want our children to always feel proud and comfortable in what they are wearing.

Uniform that can be worn all year round (Term 1, 2, 3, & 4)

- Long sleeve polo
- Short sleeve polo
- School shorts
- Culottes
- Polar fleece

Seasonal Uniform Term 1 and 4 only (summer terms)

- Blue checked dress
- School hat (compulsory)
- Black sandals

Seasonal Uniform Term 2 and 3 only (winter terms)

- School Beanie (optional)
- Navy blue tunic dress (over polo)
- Black knee-high socks
- Black school shoes.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE

The next sale will be held on Thursday, 20th October 2:30pm in the hall. Cash only.
For any urgent needs please contact our parent co-ordinator: Fran Gilchrist, Tel: 021 488 279.



SPORTS NEWS

NETBALL NEWS

Supercluster Netball Tournament – Wednesday, 21st September

"The girls in 6/1 had a fantastic day last Wednesday. They played three really tough and physical games in pool play, coming away with two good wins and a close loss, which put them into the finals playoffs for 1st/2nd. It was a hot day and everyone was tired, but the girls showed some real determination and everyone dug really deep for the final. We were leading for the first half but it just slipped away in the second half. Although very close, we finished 2nd in the Year 6 competition. A very pleasing end to the season. Well done girls!"
Coaches: Jill Lockwood & Heidi Miller



"The 5/1 netball team played so well in the super cluster netball tournament with everyone contributing to their 3 wins out of 4 and finishing 5th. This was a great finish to a season where we have improved a lot, and everyone gave 100%." Coaches: Cheryl Burns and Nikki Deles

Kidzplay Junior Netball

"Our Year 2 Violets netball team had a great season this year, and the girls all gave 100%! Their hard work and determination paid off and they were lucky enough to place third in their Matai Kidzplay grade at their prizegiving this weekend. Big thanks to the girls and their cheerleaders/families for all the giggles, goals and great attitudes!"

Coach: Alysia Luxford





"I just wanted to let you know about the great achievements of our Mini Mystics Netball Team. Our girls came together this year to play social netball at Kidzplay and they have achieved so much this winter season. Not only did we come 2nd in our Grade we also received the prestigious 'Maureen Mulcahy Cup for Fair Play and Sportsmanship' for the entire Year 4-6 competition. This is award to the team who gets nominated by other team coaches, managers, umpires and mentors at Kidzplay."

Alayna Allen, Mia Beresford-Huey-Kher, Megan Billings, Niamh Bonnici, Bonnie Davey, Maria Hale, Katrina Hamde, Rachel Qazanchy, Ella Whiteman and Sophie Cardno (ex St Johns Student)

Coach: Vicky Billings

SPLASH POLO

Splash Polo finished up for 2022 for St John's over the weekend. Congratulations to our teams who have all improved during the year. We've seen some outstanding results with several teams placing well in their respective grades. Special mention to our Year 3 Dolphins who finished 1st in Newbies A grade. Congratulations!

As always, many thanks to parents for their commitment to getting players to training and games. And an extra BIG thanks to our coaches and managers who have enthusiastically supported and encouraged their teams this year - St John's Splash Polo wouldn't exist without you! Thank you!

Leanne Deuchrass – Parent Co-ordinator

"The Year 3 St John's Dolphins are the North Harbour Splash Polo Newbies A Grade Champions after winning their final on Sunday afternoon! It was an outstanding game against Kristin who have dominated all season, but the team really put everything they had learnt into practice to win 9-4!"

The team have learnt so much in their first year of playing, shown great dedication and awesome teamwork. Big congrats to our Most Valued Player for the season, Joshua Casio-Lee, and our Most Improved Player Sean Jung!

Special thanks to coach Ray Lee for all her great training and support. Go Dolphins!!"

Report from Michelle Burdett



BASKETBALL

"Congratulations to the St John's Year 5 Heat who played a fantastic game of basketball against the Pinehurst Blazers last Thursday night. The teams were evenly matched, and it was a hard-won victory. At halftime, the score was level at 6 – 6 but St John's Heat won in the second half 14 – 10. This was their second win of the season, and it was very well deserved. They have put in a tremendous effort this season." Report from Imelda Moss

(Carter Gilchrist, Conrad Grayson, Sienna Gunn, Benjamin Moss, Thea Straka, Leo Moore, Thomas Moore, Ethan Yick)

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@sjmb.school.nz.

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	from 12.30pm - 3.30pm (3hrs)
Friday 14th October - Year 1 & 2 players	from 9.00am - 11.00am (2hrs)
Friday 14th October - Year 3 & 4 players	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.

RECENT SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



Year 4 Matilda dress up day

This term, the Year 4 cohort have been reading the novel, 'Matilda' by Roald Dahl.

We celebrated finishing our novel with a dress up day, character hot seating and a parade.



PĀNUI WHAKANUIA – CONGRATULATIONS

Scarlett Hill – Gymnast of the Term

Xavier Hayward – End of season Coaches Choice, Barracudas Rugby League

Isaac Reade – Swimming, achieved Swim 50 moving up to Transition



LOST PROPERTY

At the end of this week any unnamed items of uniform in Lost Property will be passed to our Second Hand Uniform Sale. Any other non-uniform items will be donated to a suitable charity. At the moment there are a LARGE number of lunch boxes and water bottles that are unnamed that I am unable to return (as pictured)!



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

BLESSING OF ANIMALS: Sunday October

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



BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE:

PARENTS WANTING THEIR FIRST CHILD BAPTISED. held at St John's Church;

Tuesday October 11th; 7:15pm. Attendance is a pre-requisite for parents wanting their 1st child baptised. Email liz@ecbcatholic.org.nz

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

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.

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

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Best wishes for a happy and healthy holiday.

Your Newsletter Editor
Mrs Bridges





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