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Nga mihi nui ki a koutou whānau, and a warm St Leo's blessing on you all

Welcome to week 6 of Term 2! What a fabulous and busy two weeks we have had. It has been great to welcome some beautiful sunshine for a change.

## More about Pentecost

Happy birthday to the Catholic Church! Happy birthday to you, who are the body of the Church! We're all familiar with our own birthdays, and we celebrate them because they mark the day of the year in which we entered into this life. But did you know you have a second birthday?



Because you are part of the body of the Church, Pentecost is the Church's birthday, and yours as well. And like any birthday, it's a cause for celebration. The word Pentecost is Greek and it means "50th day." Fifty days after Easter Sunday, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and their followers, and the beginning of their Earthly ministry to make disciples of all nations. (*Catholic.org*)

## Board of Trustees Community Information Evening/PTFA Movie and Pizza

Thank you to all who attended the evening. It was great to see whanau and friends enjoying the event organised by the Board. Our new strategic plan will be available on the website. It was also wonderful to see the tamariki enjoying the pizza and movie night which was organised by the members of the PTFA.



### St Clare News

Last week St Clare tamariki read the book 'The Giant Pumpkin' by Joy Cowley. They were inspired by the story so they decided to make pumpkin soup because at the end of the story the pumpkin exploded! One way to use the pumpkin pieces was to make pumpkin soup and I must say when I walked past the staffroom, it smelt delicious.

### Matariki Festival

On 24 June, our wonderful Kapa Haka group will be performing at the Bayswater Matariki Festival at 5.20pm and need to be there at 4.35pm to get ready. This is where our carving will also be displayed. Please come and support our students and have a look at all the wonderful things that have been organised for the day.



### St Catherine News

This week St Catherine made cupcakes with Miss Forrest who is a student teacher in St Clares. This was part of their writing programme and a trial run for SPCA cupcake day.



### Waterwise Regatta

I was lucky enough to pay a visit to the waterwise regatta which was held last week at Narrow Neck Beach. Four students represented our school. Congratulations to these amazing tamariki for winning the regatta; May Upton, Nicolas Busch, Maddie Atkinson and James Farrell. I was proud to be part of this wonderful event. The students showed awesome leadership skills and team work. They reflected the St Leo's values in how they presented themselves and their attitude towards each other and the other students from the different schools.



### Rippa

Last week Mr M took some keen students to take part in the Rippa Tournament. They had fun and displayed great sportsmanship and attitude towards their peers and students from other schools.

### SPCA Treat Week (12-18 June)

I met with the Year 6 leaders a couple of weeks ago and they are keen to organise, bake and sell cupcakes on Friday 16 June to raise money for SPCA. They are really excited to raise awareness of looking after our furry friends.





### School/Parish Mass

On Sunday 11 June the school will be joining the Parish to celebrate Mass together. We are looking forward to seeing all families at the Mass at 9.30am. The children will be in their school uniform. After the Mass the school/PTFA will have a sausage sizzle at the hall and whanau are able to join in for a cup of tea and shared morning tea. Please bring a plate to share. The school will provide the sausages.

### Garden to Table

This week St Patricks students used the bananas from the garden to make gozleme which is a savoury turkish turnover. The students designed their own gozleme. I was thinking that mine would have feta and spinach...yum!!



### Swim Bags

Our St Leo's marketing team are putting together branded swim bags to distribute to preschools around the area to promote our wonderful school. We are filling the bags with fun activities for children and we are seeking families to contribute \$20 towards the contents. If you would like to support this idea and contribute \$20 towards the contents please either donate via school bank account or cash.

12-3015-0474771-00. Thank you for your support.

These have already had an impact as some of the parents whose children received these bags came to our recent open day.

### Policy Review

Each term the Board of Trustees reviews a number of our policies. Some of these are reviewed by the Board, some are also reviewed by staff and for some policies feedback is sought by parents.

During Term 2 the policy we are seeking parent feedback on is '**EOTC Communicating with Parents**', '**EOTC External Providers**' and '**EOTC Risk Management**'

Please visit our school docs website <http://www.stleos.school.nz/policies.html>.

Click on the St Leo's Catholic School Policies User name: StLeos Password: mercy

Click on the green current review tab at the top of the page.

Select the Student Attendance policy at the bottom of the page.

Read the policy content

Click on the blue 'Start your review' at the top of the page. Here is a link to "**How-to**"

**YouTube videos:** [Taking part in reviews](#) and [Viewing review feedback](#).

Ma te atua manaaki

God Bless,

*Vimi Chandra*



## **Other notices**

### **Parking**

Please do not park across any of the driveways in Victoria Rd or Owens Rd when dropping off and picking up your child. We have had complaints from neighbours who are not able to get in and out of their driveways.

### **Sickness**

With the winter ills and chills starting to affect us, could we please ask that if your child is unwell you keep them home if possible to avoid the spread of illness through the class. If your child has a cold or sore throat please Covid test them just to be on the safe side. If you need covid tests please feel free to get some from us as we have hundreds.

### **Kapa Haka Performance**

The Kapa Haka group will be performing at the Bayswater school Matariki festival on June 24th. Our whole school community is a part of the group and it would be good to have them all there if possible. We are performing at 5.20pm and need to be there at 4.35pm to get ready. If your child is unable to attend please let us know.



### **Signing in and out**

When you are picking your child up early please remember to come to the office and sign them out. If your child is late, you also need to come into the office to sign them in. If you are on the premises for any reason you need to sign in for health and safety reasons.

### **Give a Kid a Blanket**

We will be collecting donations of new and excellent condition pre-loved blankets, sleeping bags, duvets, baby sleep sacks, winter bedding, duvet inners and covers, pyjamas, beanies, socks, jumpers, winter coats, rain coats, Moses baskets, new pillows and new hot water bottles (No other types of clothing please). All preloved donations must be washed by the donor before donating. We will be collecting from now until June 25th. Please drop any donations to the school office and we will pass them on.





**Timetable of events**

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| Saturday 3 June   | No netball   |
| Monday 5 June     | King's Birthday<br>No hockey   |
| Wednesday 7 June  | Netball practice<br>Peninsula Cross Country<br>PTFA meeting 7.30pm                               |
| Thursday 8 June   | Hockey practice  |
| Friday 9 June     | Save Day Peninsula Cross Country   |
| Saturday 10 June  | Netball game   |
| Sunday 11 June    | Family/Parish Mass   |
| Monday 12 June    | Hockey game  |
| Wednesday 14 June | Netball practice 8am<br>Assembly 10.15am<br>BOT meeting 6.30pm                                   |
| Thursday 15 June  | Hockey practice 8am  |
| Friday 16 June    | SPCA cupcake day   |
| Saturday 17 June  | Netball game   |
| Monday 19 June    | Hockey game  |
| Wednesday 21 June | Netball practice   |
| Thursday 22 June  | Hockey practice<br>Year 3- 6 to CATS show  |
| Friday 23 June    | Sausage sizzle lunch   |
| Saturday 24 June  | Netball game<br>Bayswater Matariki Festival Kapa Haka<br>performance 4.35pm for 5.20 performance |
| Monday 26 June    | Hockey game  |
| Wednesday 28 June | Netball practice<br>Assembly   |
| Thursday 29 June  | Hockey practice<br>Whole school to Science Roadshow  |
| Friday 30 June    | Caritas mufti day<br>Term ends   |

**2023 Term dates**

Term 2 ends Friday 30 June

Term 3 starts Monday 17 July

## PTFA NEWS

### Sausage sizzle

There will be a sausage sizzle lunch on Friday 23 June. Order forms will come home closer to the time. \$6 for a sausage in bread, treat and a drink. Please send along a cup for the drink.

### Next PTFA meeting Wednesday 7 June 7.30pm

It would be great if all class reps could attend along with anyone else that is interested. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

We will be discussing future fundraising events such as a possible quiz night, the fair and other opportunities.

There will be a zoom link sent out closer to the time for those that can't physically attend.

Renee is acting Chairperson until someone is found to take over the role however she will need a lot of support from parents in the running of events.

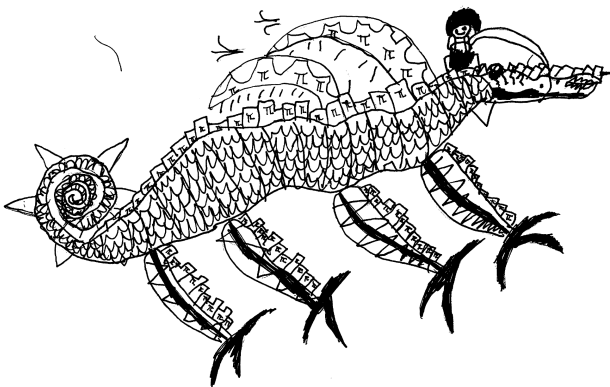
Please let us know if you can help.



## My Dragon

My dragon smashes the hard ground, breathes fire, and slumps down on the grassy meadow to sleep. I like my beautiful dragon because it protects me like a mother. It's smart and it makes me a very good campfire to roast marshmallows. My dragon is pearly green with delicate blue eyes and grey armour stronger than anything in the world. He is very curious and his favourite food is beef and human. He is a boy and he is the strongest dragon in all the world. He also is very mythic. My dragon has **spikes as sharp as his vision**, and he has great vision. His armour is very strong and he has a scar across his face that shows that he fought 1000 beasts so his name is Scar. His head is like an alligator and his body is like a scaly iguana. When you ride him it's like flying on the outside of the fastest plane in the world. He is stronger than 10,000 men.

My dragon by Joseph Radford in St Patricks



## Community Notices

# NEWCOMERS MEET-UP

## THURSDAYS 9.30AM-10.30AM

### DEVONPORT COMMUNITY HOUSE



### ST GEORGE'S COMMUNITY CENTRE

## SPEECH & DRAMA LESSONS

#### WHO?

Lessons for Years 1-13.

#### WHEN?

Students attend 1 x 30-45 min (age dependent) lesson per week during school terms. Lessons are at St George's Community Centre after school on Wednesdays, between 3.30pm - 7pm.

#### WHERE?

St George's Community Centre, 2 The Terrace, Takapuna.

#### LESSONS INCLUDE...

- Public speaking skills
- Acting skills
- Positive body language
- Speech writing & delivery
- Vocal skills
- Poetry recital
- Reading aloud
- Manners & relationship skills
- Building self-esteem & confidence

We also offer professional qualifications through our association with NZ Speech Board and Trinity College of London.

For more information

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In an ever-changing and fast-paced, technology-addicted world, it can be difficult to guess what skills our children need in order to prepare them for an uncertain future.

However, there is a bedrock set of skills that have always been essential throughout history, and will continue to be for all generations to come. That is, the skills that give us the ability to communicate, to be creative, and to have a grounded sense of self-confidence.

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[www.headheldhigh.co.nz/enrol-for-head-held-high](http://www.headheldhigh.co.nz/enrol-for-head-held-high)

Or, if you've got questions, we're happy to answer them! Simply email [jenni@headheldhigh.co.nz](mailto:jenni@headheldhigh.co.nz)

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## SATURDAY 24th JUNE - 3PM - 7PM

# Matariki

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<https://nsu.org.nz/first-kicks-5-8/first-kicks-registration>

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## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS SORTED.

Rippa Rugby School Holiday Programme  
8.30am-4.30pm Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th July 2023

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REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 25th JUNE 2023



**General Information:** We believe in giving children opportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. We provide quality childcare in safe and fun surroundings for children out of school. Our holiday programme is focused around sports, games, and outings to local attractions. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with training on behaviour management techniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

**Who can attend:** Children aged 5-13 yrs

**What do you need to bring:** Shoes and appropriate clothing, jacket or sweatshirt, hat, drink bottle and food.

**Food:** Please bring plenty of packed food and drink for morning tea/lunch/afternoon tea. Lunch will be from approximately 12:30pm to 1:00pm each day.

**Programme activities:** Programme activities are adapted to suit children of all ages and children may be grouped by age depending on numbers. Programme activities may vary without notice dependent on weather conditions and programme numbers.

**Payment details:** Payment is required before the holiday programme begins. An invoice will be issued when a completed booking is received. All payment details will be included on the invoice.

**Work and Income OSCAR Subsidy:** Parents / caregivers that meet certain criteria will be able to access a WIPU subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information visit [www.workandincome.govt.nz](http://www.workandincome.govt.nz)

**Please note:** Every care will be taken to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Club accept no liability for any injury sustained to your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst at a programme. If your child/ren are collected late after the conclusion of the programme you will be charged \$20 per 15 minutes or part thereof.

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## JULY 2023 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

### BAYSWATER SCHOOL

|        | Mon 3 July  | Tues 4 July  | Wed 5 July   | Thurs 6 July   | Fri 7 July  |
|--------|---|--|--|--|---|
| WEEK 1 | <p><b>ARCTIC EXPLORERS</b><br/>Join us for a daring Arctic adventure where we will find shelter from the biting cold and embark on a trek to reach the North Pole.</p>    | <p><b>TOPSY TURVY TUESDAY</b><br/>Everything is inside out, upside down, back to front and topsy turvy this Tuesday! Embrace the silliness with our back to front and upside down fun!</p> | <p><b>MOVIE EVENT DAY</b><br/>Join us for an awesome trip day to HOYT's cinema. Please remember a big lunch, drink bottle, shoes and a hat. \$20 extra for the day.</p>                                  | <p><b>LET'S MAKE BELIEVE</b><br/>Unicorns, dragons, elves, or fairies, what does your imagination see? Together we will dive into the world of make-believe.</p>   | <p><b>CHOCOLATE DAY</b><br/>It's World Chocolate Day! A day to celebrate the world's most loved treat! Where does chocolate come from? Come along chocolateolics to find out.</p> |
|        | Mon 10 July   | Tues 11 July   | Wed 12 July  | Thurs 13 July  | Fri 14 July   |
| WEEK 2 | <p><b>TURN IT UP!</b><br/>Get ready to make some music and move to the beat. Shake your tail feathers with your own instrument, then join the band for a jam session.</p> | <p><b>MID-WINTER XMAS</b><br/>Let's bring some winter cheer by having a mid-winter Christmas - USA Style! Have a holly jolly time as we celebrate together!</p>                            | <p><b>STARDOME OBSERVATORY PLANETARIUM</b><br/><b>EVENT DAY</b><br/>Join us for an awesome trip day to Stardome. Please remember a big lunch, drink bottle, shoes and a hat. \$20 extra for the day.</p> | <p><b>MATARIKI CELEBRATION</b><br/>It's a time for reflection and celebration as the Māori New Year begins! We are going to share stories, make food to share and play some traditional Māori Games.</p> | <p><b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b><br/>Happy Matariki!</p>  |
|        | <b>FULL WEEK: \$260</b><br>7:30am-6pm   | <b>FULL DAY: \$55</b><br>7:30am-6pm  | <b>SCHOOL DAY: \$46</b><br>8:30am-3pm  | <b>HALF DAY: \$39</b><br>7:30am-12:30pm or 12:30pm-6pm   | <b>EVENT DAY: Extra \$20</b><br>(Not included in Full Week)   |



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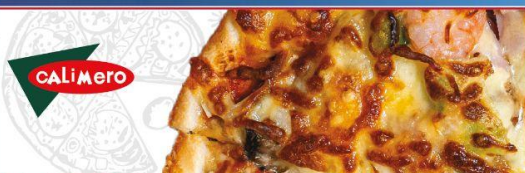
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