

# BARFOOT&THOMPSON

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

Welcome to week 8 of Term 2! Winter has definitely arrived. Although we have had cold mornings, the days have been beautiful with the sun shining and the children being able to enjoy the weather outside.

# Feast of Corpus Christi

Among the many glorious feast days of our Catholic faith, Corpus Christi is arguably one of the richest! This is so because of what we're celebrating — namely, the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. The Feast of Corpus Christi, also known as the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, is a special celebration in the Catholic Church. It is a day when we honour and remember the gift of the Eucharist, which is the body and blood of Jesus Christ. On Sunday, the school gathered together with the Parish and celebrated this special occasion.

Corpus Christi Sunday Hesus, Body and Blood, we are grateful for the gift of your life and the way it strengthens us to live ours. Teach us to draw on the gift of your Body and Blood for energy, renewal, strength and grace. May we never take the gift of your presence for granted. Amen.

It was great to see so many families join us for Mass. The children read beautifully and we presented St Leo's candles to the new students and their whanau. Thank you to all who were able to join us on Sunday.

# **St Clare News**

St Clare children have been busy working with Mrs Christy creating cushion covers which reflect our native New Zealand bird, the kiwi.

# **Devonport History Walk**

Last week St Catherines students shared their learning about some of the history of Devonport with the students of St Patrick and St Clare. It was great to hear aspects of the New Zealand Histories

curriculum delivered through the lens of the students. St Catherines have been learning about Mt Takarunga in particular and were lucky enough to have some Te Ao Maori perspectives shared to them by Matua Ngahiwi Walker.







## 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. Please return the notice letting us know if your child can attend by Monday 19th June.





# SPCA Treat Week (12-18 June)

On Friday the 16th of June, the Year 6

leaders will be baking and selling cupcakes to raise money for SPCA. The two flavours available are chocolate and vanilla. They will be selling for \$4 each. So please support this wonderful cause.

## 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 <u>http://www.stleos.school.nz/policies.html</u>.

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 appropriate 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: <u>Taking part in reviews</u> and <u>Viewing review feedback</u>.

Ma te atua manaaki God Bless,

Vimi Chandra

TATOU WHANONGO PONO OUR VALUES



MANAAKITANGA HOSPITALITY





## 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.

## 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

One week left to donate 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. Please drop any donations to the school office and we will pass them on. Last day of collection is 23rd June.



# CATS

A reminder to parents of year 3 - 6 children that the children will be attending the CATS show at 12.15pm on Thursday 22 June. Please remember to pick your child/ren up from the Devonport ferry building at around 3.10pm as we will be on the 3pm ferry. If you haven't already sent back your permission slip please do so by Monday 19th June.

#### **Science Roadshow**

The whole school is attending the Science Roadshow on Thursday 29 June. Again if you haven't returned your permission slip please do so as

soon as possible. We are still looking for parent help for the trip. Leaving school at 10am and returning around 12.30pm. Please let Renee know if you can help.

#### Fees

Next week invoices for term 2 activity fees will be sent out. Term 3 Attendance dues will also be due early in the new term and invoices will be sent out for this too. These are now sent via email so watch out for them please.

#### **Reward Hub**

New World now belongs to Reward Hub so if you do online shopping please do it through Reward Hub so a donation comes to the school.



## Timetable of events

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 Year 3- 6 to CATS show 11.15am
Friday 23 June	Sausage sizzle lunch
Saturday 24 June	Netball game Bayswater Matariki Festival Kapa Haka performance 4.35pm for 5.20 performance
Monday 26 June	Hockey game
Wednesday 28 June	Netball practice Assembly 10.15am
Thursday 29 June	Hockey practice Whole school to Science Roadshow 10.40
Friday 30 June	Caritas mufti day Term ends

# 2023 Term dates

Term 2 ends Friday 30 June 3pm Term 3 starts Monday 17 July

# **PTFA NEWS**

#### Sausage sizzle

There will be a sausage sizzle lunch on Friday 23 June. Order forms have been sent home. \$6 for a sausage in bread, treat and a drink. \$2 for an extra sausage. Please send along a cup for the drink.

# Next PTFA meeting Wednesday 19 July 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.

Our main focus this term will be getting the fair preparation started.

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

We will also be having a Quiz Night on Friday 11 August so save the date now and start inviting family and friends. ATTENDANCE MATTERS Notify Us Of Your Child's Absence Within Seconds On Our Skool Loop App



# CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL, AVONDALE

Calling all ex-students, staff and supporters of St Mary's Avondale. Momentum is gathering for our school's 100th birthday celebrations with lots of exciting events planned for Friday 8th - Sunday 10th September 2023.

Friday 8th September - early afternoon	Liturgy to open the weekend of celebrations, student led school tour and open classrooms, special assembly led by the current students and afternoon tea for the Adults/Guests. (Times TBC)
Saturday 9th September	Back to the Future Gala run by ex students 11am – 3pm Junior Rugby League Tournament on the field
Saturday 9th September	Mix n Mingle Social Event From 6pm – 11pm at Avondale RSA R16
Sunday 10th September	Mass of Thanksgiving 10am on the field followed by a potluck picnic

If you are interested in attending any of the events sign up <u>here</u> to ensure you are kept up to date, or email smcps23@gmail.com for further information.



As part of their Scouts Jamboree Camp fundraising efforts, Gigi, Chiara and Bella Albrecht are offering a babysitting service so you can have 3 hours to yourselves to do whatever you like on Friday 30 June (last day of term)!

Details and cost in poster - please book your children's places asap with Sarah (0212094911 or

sarahalbrecht71@gmail.com) Thx!



#### **Community Notices**

# **NEWCOMERŚ MEET-UP** THURSDAYS 9.30AM-10.30AM **DEVONPORT COMMUNITY** HOUSE

Jazz School, School holiday Big Band workshop This will be an exciting three day school holiday workshop where year 6, 7 and 8 students will learn to play in a Jazz Big Band and then perform a concert for family and friends on the final afternoon. The Big Band is for Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone and Clarinet players plus Electric Guitar, Piano, Bass and Drums. The music we play will range from jazz standards to modern pop classics with an emphasis on having fun while producing music at a high standard. July 3, 4 and 5.

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Please visit jazzschool.co.nz or email jnrjazzschool@gmail.com for more information.



# HELD speech & drama HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

dates & location?

Ponsonby Community Centre, OR Pinehurst School (Albany)

Monday 10th - Thursday 13th July 9am - 3pm each day

#### prices?

- 1 day = \$80
  2 days = \$150
  3 days = \$210
  4 days = \$280

Siblings = 10% discount. Bring-a-friend = Mention the friend who recommended our holiday programme to you and you'll both get a 10% discount.

who for? For students in Year 1 to Year 5. Open to children from all scho

please bring Morning tea, lunch, water bottle.

enrol or enquire <u>www.headheldhigh.co.nz/holiday-programmes</u>

what's in it for the kids?

WITH THANKS TO THE

Devonport-Takapuna

Head Held High holiday programmes are full of fun, learning and creativity for students aged Year 1 to Year 5. The programmes are tught by the same professional, enthusisatic and caring teachers who teach our speech and drame lessons across Auckland during the school terms, and they pack the day with speech and detained textuities that speech and drama games and activities that kids love

Designed by HHH founder - Kate Laurence -each day will be as FUN as possible for the children, whether they're having their first taste of speech and drama or are experienced campaigners with Head Held Wich

It's really important to us that all students feel It's really important to us that all students teel welcome and comfortable, regardless of their level of previous speech & drama experience or interest. Our teachers are experts at reading the individual requirements within a group, and the holiday programme games and activities will be delivered in each teacher and activities will be delivered in eacher and activities will be delivered i delivered in ways that are engaging and challenging to all individuals' skill levels, simultaneously.



MATARIKI TAMARIKI WHĀNAU DAY

SATURDAY 22 JULY



# Linku2 School Holidays



NORTH SHORE DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN invites all women to join us at our fellowship to praise and thank God for the many blessings He has bestowed upon us on Wednesday, 21st June, at St Thomas More Church hall, 336 Wairau Road, Glenfield. Cuppa will be at 7:15 pm.

Scripture: Acts 4:33 "With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all."







School Holiday & Term 3 classes Ages 8+ Creative Sewing fun! See website for all sewing classes & holiday workshops: www.threadroom.co.p.z

