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11 April 2024

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

What a wonderful and fun term we have had. As we reach the end of another exciting term, I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible journey we've shared together.

This term has been filled with boundless opportunities for growth, discovery, and of course, fun! From exploring the wonders of science through garden to table, navigation, learning about the charism of our school and the showcasing of Holy Week through St Catherine's dramatisation of the stations of the cross, every moment has been a treasure trove of learning.

Our classrooms have buzzed with enthusiasm as students eagerly embraced new challenges and expanded their horizons. But beyond the amazing learning in classrooms, it's the aroha, laughter, creativity, and sheer joy of discovery that have truly made this term unforgettable. We are looking forward to a bright and exciting Term 2. Have a safe school holiday break.

Stations of the Cross

On Holy Thursday, St Catherine tamariki re-enacted the journey of Jesus to the cross. I was truly moved by the way the children wholeheartedly showed us how Jesus and his people around him felt, as they moved around the school dramatising the stations of the cross. This left a lasting impression on all who were present.



St Catherine News

On Friday, St Catherine visited the Navy Museum as part of their STEM programme. They learnt about the history of navigation and what the sailors use now when navigating the massive ships.



St Clare News

On Monday, I spent the day in St Clare. We had an amazing time doing garden to table. This week we made potato chips. The potatoes were of course from our garden! We also harvested some other vegetables from the garden.



St Patrick News: St Patrick's Interesting Questions

St Patrick has been asking interesting questions about the world around them. Every day we start with a question. This is discussed, researched and then answered. Here are a few interesting questions that were asked and answered by Isaac and Eva.

Why is the sky blue?

Did you know that the sky is blue because the sun makes the colours of the rainbow when it mixes with our atmosphere. The blue is spread about most and fills the sky.

By Isaac Talbot



How does the television work?



Televisions are amazing. They work by having a sender, receiver and a player. The transmitters send radio waves to our homes and we receive the radio waves through our antenna. We can then play our tv and watch our favourite programmes.

By Eva Rumble

Birthday treats

Some children in our school have severe life threatening food allergies and so we ask all parents to ensure that no nuts are included in their children's lunch boxes – this includes peanut butter and nutella. We appeal to you as parents and request your cooperation with this. We appreciate this is an inconvenience. We would also like to ask parents to not bring cakes or sweets to school to share with the class on your child's birthday.

After school care

We offer after school care from 3 - 5pm Monday to Thursday. If your child has not been picked up by 3.15pm and the school has not been informed, your child will be put in after school care. The cost for after school care is \$12 per day or \$20 for 2 or more children and includes afternoon tea.

Ma te atua manaaki
God Bless,

Vimi Chandra

Other notices**Sushi**

If you would like to order sushi for the term next term there are 10 weeks in the term at \$4.50 per week. Orders can also be placed on a week by week basis on a Tuesday morning.

Winter uniforms

Children may transition into winter uniforms between the beginning of term 2 and King's Birthday weekend. Please no combination of uniforms but all summer or all winter to be worn.

For those that have ordered winter tunics and boys long sleeved shirts, sorry but our supplier has not got these ready yet. I will let you know as soon as they arrive.

Vector works

Vector have advised us that from April until October there is going to be work to strengthen the electricity network carried out in our area. They are doing it in blocks and stage 1 from April - May will involve works around Shoal Bay Rd, Lake Rd from Albert to Owens Rds, Lake Rd and the beginning of Old Lake Rd and Lake Rd and the corner of Alamein Ave.

Stage 2 from May June will involve Patuone Ave and Lake Rd from Allenby Ave to Seabreeze Rd and Lake Rd into Egremont St & Westwell Rd. Stage 3 June to October will involve Owens Rd and Lake Rd Seabreeze to Old Lake Rd. Please be aware that parking around the school could be at a premium during some of this work. Please respect the neighbours and do not park across their driveways. There will be traffic management in place.

Rosmini College Open Day for new students in 2025

Thursday 16 May 2024 - The presentation will commence at 1:30pm in the Auditorium and the Open Day concludes at 3pm. The online application form is available on the school website (www.rosmini.school.nz) for enrolment for 2025. Enrolment queries to Eunice 09 488 3750 or email enquiries@rosmini.school.nz.

Timetable of events for Term 2

Thursday 11 April	Waterwise Fun Day/Whanau picnic 1pm
Friday 12 April	Whole school to midday mass End of term
Monday 29 April	Term 2 starts Feast day of St Catherine liturgy
Tuesday 30 April	Private Music lessons with Dominic
Wednesday 1 May	Assembly 10.15 - St Clare
Thursday 2 May	Year 6 Waterwise
Friday 3 May	Whole school to Science Roadshow
Saturday 4 May	High Tea 2 - 5pm
Sunday 5 May	Sacramental Programme 3.30pm
Tuesday 7 May	Private Music lessons with Dominic
Thursday 9 May	Year 6 Waterwise
Friday 10 May	Sausage sizzle lunch Whole school mass
Sunday 12 May	Mother's Day Sacramental Programme 3.30pm
Tuesday 14 May	Private Music lessons with Dominic
Wednesday 15 May	Assembly 10.15 PTFA meeting
Thursday 16 May	Year 6 Waterwise Rosmini Open Day 1.30pm-3pm
Tuesday 21 May	Private Music lessons with Dominic Open Day
Wednesday 22 May	BOT meeting 6.30pm
Friday 24 May	Whole school to midday mass
Sunday 26 May	Sacramental programme 3.30pm
Tuesday 28 May	Private Music lessons with Dominic
Wednesday 29 May	Assembly 10.15am
Friday 31 May	TEACHER ONLY DAY - MOE
Monday 3 June	King's Birthday - no school
Tuesday 4 June	Private Music lessons with Dominic
Friday 7 June	Whole school mass midday

Sunday 9 June	Sacramental programme
Tuesday 11 June	Private Music lessons with Dominic
Wednesday 12 June	Interschool Cross country Assembly 10.15am
Thursday 13 June	Rippa Rugby tournament
Friday 14 June	Save Day Peninsula Cross Country
Sunday 16 June	Sunday Mass and Confirmation & First holy communion practice after
Tuesday 18 June	Private Music lessons with Dominic
Friday 21 June	Whole school mass midday
Saturday 22 June	Matariki Festival Bayswater
Sunday 23 June	Confirmation & First Holy Communion 9.30am
Tuesday 25 June	Private Music lessons with Dominic Open Day
Wednesday 26 June	Assembly 10.15am
Friday 28 June	Matariki
Tuesday 2 July	Private Music lessons with Dominic
Friday 5 July	Whole school mass midday Term 2 ends

Things do get added to this calendar regularly so make sure you check each newsletter.

2024 Term dates

Term 2 starts Monday 29 April

Term 2 ends Friday 5 July

PTFA NEWS

High Tea

Save the date: **Saturday 4 May** at the Devonport Yacht Club.

Tickets will be on sale from **9am Friday 12 April** Get your ticket quickly as we have a maximum number of tickets we can sell and this event sells out fast.

<https://events.humanitix.com/st-leos-high-tea-2024>

Does anyone have contacts for prizes, goodie bags items or silent auction items that we could use for the High tea. Please let me know if you do.

If you have pretty china teacups that we could use for the High tea please let me know as soon as possible if we can borrow them.

Please drop your luxury items for our luxury hamper into the office either tomorrow or at the beginning of term 2.

Cookbooks

Don't forget we have our ongoing Cookbook fundraiser happening. \$25 per book. Stocks are limited so get in quick.

Next PTFA meeting May 15 7.30pm in the staff room.

Icon Photography

Save the date of **8 June** for our next fundraiser which will be family photographs. \$15 sitting fee which goes to the school and you get a free 10 x 13 inch family portrait. Further purchases can be made at a discounted price. Further details to come early next term.

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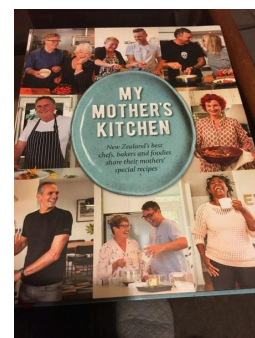
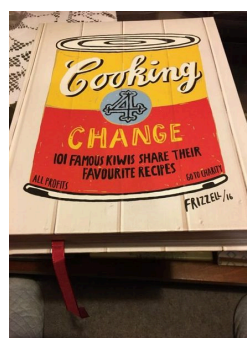
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We are currently coming 2nd in this. Thank you to those who are supporting us. Ends 14 April



Situations Vacant

Accountant – Graduate Role

The Accountant role will assist the Diocesan Accounting Manager and CFO with operational leadership for the financial management of the Diocese and its related entities. In this role, you will be responsible for ensuring all financial reporting requirements, imperatives are delivered accurately and add value to the organisation. You will provide accurate, timely and relevant statutory and monthly management reporting information for entities which ensures the Diocese both fully meets its statutory requirements and to support the Diocese in the achievement of its strategic goals. This role will suit a recent graduate of a Bachelor's degree or relevant tertiary qualification (Accounting).

To view the full advert and the position description please go to our website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz under Diocesan Services and Staff Vacancies.

Applications close 12 April 2024

Credit Controller & Administration Support – Part Time – Parental Leave Cover

The Catholic Diocese of Auckland are seeking a motivated credit professional to join their Diocesan Finance team, located in St Marys Bay, Auckland.

This is a part time (20 hours per week), fixed term Parental Leave position, responsible for providing credit control and administrative support to the Operations Manager for the collection of Attendance Dues for schools in the Catholic Diocese of Auckland.

This is a varied role, that will be responsible for a variety of tasks within the credit and collections process. The ability to effectively multi-task, strong problem solving and relationship building skills will be essential, as well as a well-developed sense of initiative, and the ability to work independently.

Key Tasks include:

- Collection of compulsory school Attendance Dues
- Contact with school parents via outbound phone calls
- Follow up of unpaid accounts
- Debtor ledger management

Applicants should have previous credit control experience, or similar transferrable commercial experience. Sound collections skills and relevant legislative knowledge would also be advantageous. The ability to effectively juggle multiple priorities, an organised approach to work, excellent attention to detail, and a high level of numerical literacy will be required.

The Diocesan Finance team is close-knit and high performing, so the successful applicant will need to be optimistic, resilient, and driven to succeed – both in terms of achieving their targets and developing and maintaining excellent relationships. Adaptability, transparency, and a collaborative approach to work will be critical for performance in this role, as well as a strong sense of integrity and dependability.

A strong command of written and spoken English will be essential. The ability to speak Samoan and/or Tongan would be advantageous, but not essential.

The role requires a strong sense of empathy, emotional intelligence, and commitment to upholding the values of the Catholic Church.

Only people with the right to work in New Zealand, need apply.

Please send a cover letter and CV to Leanne Killgour – People & Support Manager – leannek@cda.org.nz. For more information on the Catholic Diocese of Auckland, please visit their website www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz.

Applications Close 10 May 2024

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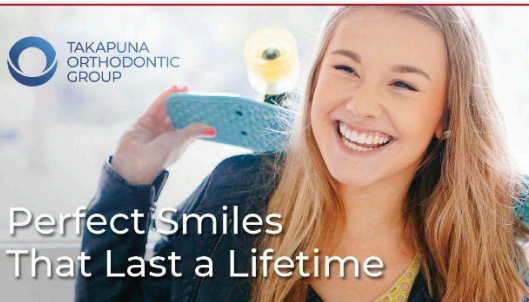
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