

Newsletter – Week 7, Term 3

4 September 2018

Kia ora whanau

Although I managed to chat with many of the dads who attended our Fabulous Father's Day Out I would like to formally thank all the Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles, our Parish Priests and significant men in our children's lives who took time from their busy day to come and be with their children. There were so many 'dads' on site playing and 'being' with their children. The weather was wonderful and the playground was full of noise and laughter. Our children had a fantastic morning!

THE EXAMPLE **WE SET**
FOR OUR KIDS
— **HOW TO ACT**
WHEN THINGS DON'T
GO OUR WAY —
IS MUCH, MUCH
MORE IMPORTANT
THAN THE RULES
WE SET FOR THEM.

Leo Babauta



STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

A reminder that Student Led Conferences will be held **THIS Thursday, 6th September**. School finishes at 12 noon with the conferences beginning at 1pm. There will be no school buses running. The children will need to come to school in their uniform to conduct the Student Led Conference.

When you arrive at the classroom with your child, the classroom teacher will be there to greet you and help you begin. They will be a rewarding experience for everyone taking part and we hope you enjoy them and learn a lot about what your children are achieving at school.



BEST FOOT FORWARD – 18th to 20th September

The Year 5 and 6 children are working hard to bring this musical to our school stage. It will be a team effort with singing and dancing and music to get your feet tapping. It is a lot of hard work and demands commitment and perseverance from all the children and staff. If you are a parent of a Year 5 and 6 child, encourage them and support them to 'Be the Best They Can Be' in this school activity.

You are all invited to attend and enjoy the show with **tickets on sale from the school office.** Fill out the form available from the school website or office.

AFTER SCHOOL PROCEDURES

We would like to take this opportunity to inform and remind you of the after school procedures for the children. These can also be found on the website under School Rules.

- All children must go home straight after school unless their parents have previously contacted the school or they are involved in a sports practice.
- All bus children assemble at the front gate.
- Children being picked up by parents at the school carpark must wait in the shelter at the carpark.
- Children being picked up by parents at the front gate must wait at the gate for their parents.
- No children are allowed to wait for their parents at the Church carpark. Children being picked up by parents parking in the Church carpark must wait on the top court for their parents.
- Children staying on at school after 3:10pm must remain on the top court and observe normal school rules. This includes not playing on the banks outside Rooms 1, 2 and 3 and Rooms 4, 5 and 6. No games are to be played until after the 3:10pm bell.
- All children not collected by parents after the 3:10pm bell will be brought to the area outside the office.
- There is no supervision after 3:10pm as teachers have meetings and school obligations to fulfil.

These procedures are designed and reinforced with the safety of your children in mind. We appreciate your support in this.

Viki Trainor – Principal

DAFFODIL DAY



What a great day we had for Daffodil Day 2018! The children brought a gold coin to place on a daffodil coin trail. Each child received a special fabric daffodil which they wore to be part of this national appeal. Our day was led by our latest group of school leaders, the Young MacKillops. These children painted the large daffodil and led the day well by guiding classes through the coin trail. Many thanks to the Young MacKillops for their great leadership on this special day.



We raised a total of **\$333.60**

God's Blessings, Laura Baddeley – DRS

YOUNG LEADERS DAY

What an amazing day our student leaders had at Kristin School on Wednesday, 29th August. The Young Leaders Day is an opportunity to inspire children to dream big, not to give up on their dreams and be truly awesome like the high achieving role models who speak at this event.

Neve Harvey quotes: *"Last Wednesday a group of Year 6 children went to the exceptional Young Leaders Day. My favourite speaker was Brylee Mills. She lost her arm in a horrendous car accident when she was six years old. Even though she only had one arm she thrived to achieve her dream of becoming a professional dancer. Wow! She was very inspiring and is a great role model. She made me remember that I should never give up no matter what."*

Mary Haddad quotes *"Young Leader's day is a day where Year 6 leaders from multiple schools go to Kristin school and listen to inspirational stories from leaders. My favourite speaker was William Pike. He lost a leg while climbing Mount Ruapehu but continued to climb even though he had one leg. There was an eruption on the mountain while he was sleeping and his leg got hit with rocks. His leg got stuck and his friend had to climb down to save William. His inspirational story helped me realise that if something stops you from accomplishing your goal, you should never give up and strive to complete your goal."*

HOCKEY SUCCESS



"Our Year 5 and 6 Advanced girls hockey team (Gabrielle Warner, Ciara Morley, Jamie Ramsey, Ruby Gabriel, Ella Aguas, Poppy Kostan, Zoe Kroft, Rebecca Robertson) came top of the A grade. I have to say after managing this team for many years I am so proud of their achievements. Every year they have been getting better and better and it is fantastic to see them get top of the A grade and finish on such a high - Well done girls!. We have had a phenomenal coach - Jess Hardy who has helped the girls develop their skills and further develop their love of the game over their years. Thanks to Jess for her patience and perseverance." Audrea Warner – Hockey Co-ordinator

CANS FOR CHRISTMAS

On Friday 14th September, we will be having a **mufti day** at school. Children are asked to please bring in a can for St. Vincent de Paul and the Mercy Hospice. Many other Catholic Schools from Auckland, Wanganui, Wanaka and Alexandra are participating in this and last year 19,000 cans were collected. Cans for Christmas is a registered Charitable Trust and we look forward to contributing to those in need.

God's Blessing, Laura Baddeley - Director of Religious Studies

ATTENDANCE DUES 2019

The Board has received notice from the Auckland Diocese that Attendance Dues will be raised by \$2.50 per term in 2019. This means that for next year they will be \$110 per term.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

The next sale of Second Hand Uniform will be this Thursday, 6th September, 2.30 – 3pm in the School Hall.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ✚

This coming Sunday 19 of our children celebrate their First Holy Communion. We keep the children and their families in our prayers and pray that the memory of this special celebration will remain with them forever.



PTFA FUN RUN – Monday, 10th September

We are hoping to get started by 9.30am. Further information regarding the running order of age groups and approximate times they will start will be advised by your CLP in due course. We expect the run to be completed by 12.00 noon.

Training is continuing. If you'd like some extra practice before Monday, then join Troy Gilchrist at the Turf in running shoes & PE gear **ready to go at 8.00am** on Friday!

We hope you've got your sponsors lined up to support you and our school during our Fun Run event. All funds raised will go towards the revitalisation of our school playground. Sponsorship forms came home in the newsletter, but feel free to grab one from the office. You can also fundraise online at www.everydayhero.com/nz and search for St John's Mairangi Bay.



Children should wear a top in their house colours for the Run!

UMBRELLAS



Back by popular demand – St. John's Umbrellas!

You asked and the PTFA have delivered! New St John's umbrellas are available to purchase from the office at \$35 per umbrella. These are perfect for sheltering under on the side line and are known as "The Beast", having been tested in wind tunnels to ensure they are sturdy.

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Players of the Day... **Orlaith Burns, Charlotte Moore, Amelie Phelps, Amina Deles** (Netball), **Maximo Boxall, Joseph Howard** (Soccer), **Karney Prendergast** (Flippaball), **DeAngelo Alsabie** (Basketball). Season Awards... **Thomas Moore, Xavier Smith, Munro Sievwright, Jake Stucki, Billy Hogan** (Rugby) **Billy Hogan, Jayden Ip** (Soccer) **Jayden Ip** (Basketball). Also to... **Thomas Moore, Leo Moore** (Swimming), **Gabrielle Warner** (Kiwi Guardians).

COMMUNITY NOTICES...

East Coast Bays United Softball Club 'Give It A Go Day' where all local children are invited to come along and try their hand at the great summer sport. There will be games, a sausage sizzle, prizes to be won, light refreshments, a bake sale and more. Location: Rosedale Park, Sunday, 23rd September, 12pm-3pm.

Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women, North Shore warmly invites all women to our September Meeting: Topic: Gentleness/Humility, Speaker: Sister Alba from Little Sisters of the Poor. Wednesday 19th Sept. 7.30 p.m. – 9.30 p.m., Parish hall, St. Thomas More Church, 336 Wairau Road, Glenfield, Auckland 0629. Contact: Sylvia 09 443 7477 www.dove.org.nz.

Holiday Writing Camp, Kristen School, Albany, 1st – 4th October, \$195 (early-bird price). For more information visit www.writelikeanauthor.com

Beginning Experience Grief Resolution Weekend Retreat. Friday evening 5th – 7th October Sunday afternoon. Cost \$295. Includes accommodation, meals and materials. Contact Carol 022-089-0458 or leave message on (09)360-3054. Visit www.beginningexperience.org.nz

Silverdale Adventure Park School Holiday Programme You can find more out about our rides www.silverdaleadventurepark.co.nz. Our prices are as follows (4 hours, minimum 50 kids). 0-4yrs - \$10.00; 5 yrs \$20.00; 6yrs+ - \$25. Rules and Regulations: Luge: 6yrs+ and 1.1m tall, Shooting star: 35kg – 105kg, 1.3m tall, Dual Zipline: 110 kg max, 1.3m tall.

Kids Choice School Holidays bookings are now open. The programme will open on Monday 1st October to 12th October 2018. CYF's approved allowing you to apply for a subsidy. We are based at the Presbyterian Church, 10 Penzance Road, Mairangi Bay. 7am til 6pm daily. Contact Barb 027 440 6363 or 09 478 3705 Email: kids.choice@infogen.net.nz

A flyer for East Coast Bays Cricket. It features the EC B Cricket logo on the left. The main text reads "EAST COAST BAYS CRICKET REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!" in large, bold letters. Below this, it says "Play Cricket for some FUN in the SUN!" in a script font. There are three bullet points: "New formats for more fun, more action & less time!", "Programmes for all ages & levels from Year 1-8", and "Year 1-4 only 1.5hrs on a Saturday morning @ Bays". At the bottom, it says "For more information or to register come along to registration day 11am - 2pm on 25 August or 22 September at Windsor Park, or visit: www.eastcoastbayscricket.co.nz/juniors". The flyer also includes logos for Harcourts, Cooper & Co, Kris Cunningham, Broderick, and Players Sports.

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