

#### **Sacred Heart School Petone**

Te Kura o Ngākau Tapu ki Pito-One

## **NEWSLETTER**

#### **DATES TO NOTE**

#### Thurs 22 Oct

Loud Shirt Day – Gold coin donation

#### Fri 23 Oct

 TEACHER ONLY DAY school will be closed.

#### Mon 26 Oct

• Labour Day

#### 27 - 30 Oct

 Tokelauan Language Week

#### **Tues 27 Oct**

Battle of the Bands

#### Wed 28 Oct

- Badminton
- Early Risers Session 1 2pm
- BoT Meeting 7pm

#### Fri 30 Oct

- School Athletics (pp Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov)
- Assembly 2pm
- Touch starts

#### Sat 31 Oct

 Family Portrait Photo fundraiser

#### **Mon 2 Nov**

All Saints Liturgy

#### Wed 4 Nov

- Early Risers Session 2 2pm
- Newsletter

#### **Tues 15 Dec**

Last day of Term 4.
 School finishes at 1pm

#### Wed 3 Feb 2021

• 2021 Start Date



Genevieve Fuhrer
Ollie Thomson
Eli Smith
Alesana Malaeulu
Tekeliua Pereria
OJ Fitzwater
Yanni Papadopoulus
Noah Duncan
Blessing Faasoa
Olivia Bain
Malia Ahelemo
Harriet Rosemergy

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Wednesday 21 October 2020

Malo ni Parents and friends

Welcome back to Term 4! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday with your families. We are looking forward to a term with hopefully no interruptions! Next week is Tokelauan Language Week. We are looking forward to learning about the language and culture as our Senior students lead us in this learning.

We have welcomed 3 new Tuis, 2 new families and Miss Donnelly to school over the past 2 weeks. We know you will make all our new people welcome. Kate Wasson is working with us 1 day a week to help with students who need a little more support. We received some funding from the MOE for this programme from the Covid 19 fund.

We offer our prayers and sympathy to Jan and Rachel Davidson, Lance Scurrah and family on the recent death of Jan's Mum. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

We have implemented the new Accessit programme in the Library which was purchased with a grant from the One Foundation and a new sunshade should soon be appearing over the Tui deck.

Thanks to everyone who sold chocolate. We have made over \$3200 so far and if you would like another box to sell at your workplace, we still have a few boxes left. We will have the Lucky Draw for all those who have sold a box next week.

Congratulations to our Sacred Heart 1 Netball team who came first equal in their Grade in the second round of the competition.

Good luck to our school band who will compete at the Battle of The Bands next Tuesday. Thanks to all the parents who are helping with transport and to Penny Martell for all her work with the band this year.

We will be celebrating an All Saints Liturgy at 2pm on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. All are welcome to join us for this celebration.

This **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October we are going to support Loud Shirt Day.** Children may wear Mufti, which includes a Loud Shirt. The cost of the Loud Shirt mufti is a gold coin donation.

Loud Shirt Day is a national fundraising campaign by The Hearing House and the Southern Cochlear Implant Programme that raises much-needed funds to give the gifts of sound and speech to Kiwis with hearing loss. At Sacred Heart we also do it to support our students who have a hearing loss.

**2021 Class Placement:** We are currently looking at our school organisation and classes for next year. In a school this size sometimes, children have to spend two years in the same classroom but not at the same Year level. We will be emailing any families over the next week, whose children may be in this situation. If you would like to talk about the placement of your child next year then please speak to Jacqui, Katy or myself. School organisation is a Management decision and one which a lot of time goes into and is a decision

#### REMINDER School starts at 9am!

Please make sure your child/ren are here and ready to start school BEFORE then.



which is affected by many factors including numbers in classes and year levels.

**Teacher Only Day:** This Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October we are having a Teacher Only Day and school will be closed. Please make sure you have made arrangements for your children on Friday.

**Helping the Vinnies:** Due to the impact of Covid 19 in our parish community the St Vinnies food bank has very low stocks. We have been asked if there is any way we could help as a school. We are going to put a box in the office and if you can help by donating a non-perishable food item, we will collect them and deliver them to the Vinnies. They will be very grateful for the help.

**Touch Rugby:** This begins on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October and **all fees (\$23.00) are due by this Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October please.** Thanks to all those people who have paid already.

**Summer Uniform:** This should be worn by everyone now. All children need a school sunhat. Please no multi coloured thermals under shirts. Also, all hair that is below the shoulder (boys and girls) must be tied up. No nail polish or jewellery should be worn with the uniform please.

Thought for the Week
"When life hands you a lemon, make lemonade."

Ke manuia kotou uma I te Alofa o te Atua God bless

Liz

Children are not to play on the adventure playground after school unless they are supervised by a parent or caregiver.

# STOPPING SCHOOL DAY AND PARKING NEAR A SCHOOL

When children arrive or leave school each day, make sure your driving behaviour is helping to keep them safe.

Children and drivers need good visibility around school to be able to see each other. Parking restrictions are in place for this reason. They protect our children against possible injury.

As a driver, you can help to reduce the risks:

- Park legally and safely at all times
- Do not exceed P5 or P10 time limits
- Park further away and walk with your child to or from the school gate
- If you need to turn around after dropping off / picking up, find a safe place well away from the school gate
- Always slow down as you approach a busy school or pedestrian crossing
- Choose alternatives to driving allow your child to walk to school, start a walking school bus, or find another family to carpool with

Please Note!
There is now a **School Zone speed** limit in
Britannia Street.

The maximum safe speed limit in a school zone is 40km/h.

#### **REMINDER!**

No bags of chippies or similar snacks in lunch boxes please.

#### **School Notices**

♦ REMINDER, Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>, we are taking part in Loud Shirt Day. This is an appeal for The Hearing House and the Southern Cochlear Implant Programme. We have a student with cochlear implants, so we would love everyone to support this day. Gold coin donation please.



- REMINDER Teacher Only Day this Friday 23 October, and Labour Day Monday 26<sup>th</sup>, school will be closed.
- ♦ If you won a trophy or cup at last year's prizegiving, could you please return it to school in preparation for this year's prizegiving. Thank you. This years prizegiving will be on Monday 14 December, 6.30pm
- ◆ FAMILY PORTRAIT Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October, Icon Photography. A stunning 10x13 inch family or children's portrait for only a \$15 sitting fee. An option to purchase further print packs will be available. You can choose colour or black/white. We keep the full \$15 per booking as a fundraiser for school. Please send your



voucher and payment (or pay online, quoting 'portrait') back to school as soon as you can. Appointments will then be allocated in 20 minute slots. There is a minimum number of bookings required for this fundraiser to take place, so let us know if you are interested.

♦ THANK YOU to the SHOE CLINIC in Lower Hutt for their generous donation of \$220 to our school.



Remember if you need perfect fit and awesome comfort and quality, they have a great range of school shoes, sandals, and sports shoes. You can nominate our school and we receive \$10 for every pair – Shoe Clinic School Rewards Programme.

## Holiday Programme activities









Congratulations
Christian!



Ex-pupil Christian
Stenhouse was selected in
the NZ Secondary Schools
Barbarians rugby squad
this year. Christian is a
talented first five-eighth
who has a promising
career ahead. Well done
Christian! We are all very
proud of you.

♦ HEIRLOOM TOMATO SEEDLINGS available again! To be collected from school after Labour Weekend. All orders to be emailed to sharonvaka@live.com or text 0275577168. Variety's available: Bandy Wine Pink, Gardeners Delight (Cherry size), Russian Red (limited



- numbers), Black Cherry (Limited numbers). Seedlings sold in pairs and the cost is by donation to FOSH. Thanks Sharon for growing them!
- ♦ FOSH ART EVENING SAVE YOUR ART! On Thursday 3 December FOSH are running a celebration of Art Evening. Please save any art works you no longer want and are happy to donate. If you know any artists you could tap on the shoulder, we'd be very grateful for any donations ⓒ. Further information to come from FOSH next week. Please note date change!
- SOCKS We have a large box of second hand school socks if anyone needs any extra. Don't forget we have a range of donated and second hand school shoes and sports shoes too.
- ♦ **HOLIDAY PROGRAMME** FOSH will be operating another holiday programme on 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup> December. More information coming!

## **Celebrating Our Students**



We had a great start to the term despite the weather by welcoming new students and staff to the school. It's great to have you here Ollie, Leyton, Caitlin, Joshua and Miss Donnelly.

This week we welcomed Marlee, Alesana and Genevieve to our Sacred Heart Petone school community.





We had a great netball season, it was a lot of fun playing with the team and thanks to our coaches Ana and Cathy who taught us lots of skills. Olivia

Your talent is God's gift to you. What you do with it is your gift back to God.



Entries are open for the Hutt City Weet-Bix Kids Tryathlon on 17th March 2021 at Hutt Recreation Ground. The TRYathlon is all about giving it a TRY and is a rewarding and fun day out for you and your child. Participants need to be aged 7-15 years old on event day and can complete the TRYathlon as an

individual or in a team of two. Participants need to be aged 6 years old on event day to complete the Splash&Dash. Our school has created a School Group which you can join when you enter from home. Search for **Sacred Heart School Petone** when prompted. By linking to our school group, it will give us the chance to win some great prizes. The direct link to register into our school group is:

http://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=40600&G=118767

If someone you know requires financial assistance to enter the TRYathlon, should it

#### **HEADS UP!**

- \* Art Evening -Thursday 3 Decemeber
- \* End of Year Mass -Thursday 10 December 9.30am
- \* School Picnic -Thursday 10 December
- \* School Hangi Friday 11 December
- \* School PrizeGiving **Liturgy** – Monday 14 December 6.30pm
- \* Last day of Term -Tuesday 15 December 1.00pm finish



The great token sort out after we've hit the big taraet!

Search 'Schoolapps NZ' and download the free app -

'Sacred Heart Petone'

An easy way to send absentee messages straight to admin, view newsletters and notices, and urgent school 'alerts'.

PLEASE NOTE - this is different from the HERO App!

#### **Uniform Shop**

Mondays 2.45 – 3.15 pm Tuesdays 8.45 – 9.15am Uniform must be paid for at the time of purchase, or within 2 days if making an online payment.

> Contact Us Tel 568 6711 Text 0225115419

admin@sacredheartpetone. school.nz

> School Bank Account 12 3142 0121485 00

be subsidised entry fees or funding for necessary equipment, then you can apply to the Weet-Bix TRYathlon Foundation for assistance.

Visit www.tryathlon.co.nz/foundation for details. If you have any school related questions please contact Lucy Miller on miller@batup.co.uk or 021335391 otherwise contact the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon team; email Sophia@smcevents.co.nz or phone 0800 WEET BIX (0800 9338 249).

## **NEXT WEDNESDAY - 28 October** Unchonline Pita Pit orders will available!



Dear Mary Mary you were very kind and I admire how you were kind, so please can you make me kind just like you.

Can you please ask your son Jesus to look over my family and keep them safe and happy. Amen Jackson Mother of God you are loving and you are beautiful. Brody



### **Board of Trustees**

Welcome back to Term 4! The Board would like to thank Liz and the staff for their work in successfully managing the Covid alert levels at school in the past three terms - a great effort in a very unusual year.

At our last meeting in September we said farewell to Board members Anita McKegg and Anna Redfearn and their families from school - both have relocated to Cambridge and Upper Hutt respectively. Their families will be missed by the school community, and we thank both Anna and Anita for their involvement with the school, the Board and FOSH.

We advertised the vacancy left by Anita last month and the Board's intention was to fill the position by selection if 10% of the school electoral roll did not object.

Anna's departure leaves us with another casual vacancy for a parent representative. The board has resolved to also fill this position by selection. If 10% of the school electoral roll objects to the selection process then an election will be held. If you wish to object, please contact Janet on admin@sacredheartpetone.school.nz by 27 October.

Both selections will hopefully be confirmed at the October Board Meeting

Currently our Board make up is:

Liz Heatley

Helen Kneebone - Chair, and proprietor representative

Onieka Tristram - Staff representative

Mark Fairfield, Henio Koloi, Kate Wright, (2 vacancies) - Parent representatives Vaka Lemisio, Genevieve Hanify, Tane Wilson - Proprietor representatives

The Board would also like to thank FOSH for their fundraising efforts in what is a difficult year. The school disco and holiday programme were a great success - well done. We encourage everyone to get involved in the upcoming art auction and family portrait fundraisers this term.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 28 October at 7pm.

Kate Wright