

Sacred Heart School Petone

Te Kura o Ngākau Tapu ki Pito-One

NEWSLETTER

DATES TO NOTE

Tues 10 Nov

- Project Jonah Visit
- FOSH Meeting 6pm

9 – 13 Nov

- Road Safety Week

Wed 11 Nov

- SWZ Athletics (pp 13th)
- Early Risers Session 3 2pm

Fri 13 Nov

- SBC Orientation Day
- Assembly 2pm

Wed 18 Nov

- Early Risers Session 4 2pm

Tues 24 Nov

- Interzone Athletics (pp26th)

Wed 25 Nov

- Early Risers Session 4 2pm
- BoT Meeting 7pm

Fri 27 Nov

- Assembly
- Petone Christmas Parade

Mon 30 Nov

- Loving for Life (Yr 7/8 girls)

Tues 1 Dec

- Loving for Life (Yr 7/8 boys)
- Regional Athletics (pp 3rd)

Wed 2 Dec

- Yr 7/8 Retreat Home of Compassion

Fri 4 Dec

- Touch finishes

Sat 5 Dec

- Future Ferns Y1/2 finishes

Tues 8 Dec

- TTT Day whole school

Wed 9 Dec

- Road Patrol Pool Party

Thurs 10 Dec

- End of Year Mass 9.30am

- School Picnic 11am

Sun 13 Dec

Number 15

Wednesday 4 November 2020

Talofa Iava Parents and friends

The month of November is traditionally the month of the Holy Souls when we pray for all our deceased relatives and friends. Our parish has a tree in the church to which you can add the names of your family and friends who have died and they will be prayed for over this month. On Monday we held an All Saints Liturgy where we remembered the Saints including all our deceased family and friends who are part of the Community of Saints. We spoke at school prayers of the fact that no-one is born a Saint and to become a Saint you need to live your life following The Beatitudes. A Saint is an ordinary person who did extraordinary things!

Last week we celebrated Tokelauan Language week and we were very proud of all our Tokelauan students who proudly shared their language and culture with us including a wonderful Dance performance at Assembly.

Congratulations to our school band "Undecided" who competed at the Battle of the Bands. They were unplaced but certainly made us all proud. The school has enjoyed two performances by the band this year. Thanks to Penny Martell for all her work with the band this year.

Well done to everyone for your great participation and efforts at our school Athletics last Friday. Thank you to the parents who helped with the running of the day. We certainly couldn't have done it without you. Thanks also to Whaea Katy and Miss Donnelly for their organisation of the day. Well done and Good Luck to everyone who has been selected to participate in next week's SW Zone Athletics.

This week at Sacred Heart School we have celebrated the 25 years of wonderful service that Janet Whalen has given to our school. We are very lucky to have such a great Office Manager who often goes above and beyond her job description. She is a vital part of our school and she certainly exemplifies our RISE values. Over her 25 years Janet's job has certainly changed and she has always been willing to learn new things and share her many talents with all of us- staff and students. Congratulations and many blessings Janet as you celebrate this milestone at Sacred Heart Petone!

We recently entered 4 teams in the Lower Hutt STEMM challenge organised by Hutt Science. The students involved had a great time and represented us very well. Ms Mahony said it was a pleasure to take them to the competition.

Touch Rugby began last Friday and I would like to thank all the parents who are giving up their time to coach and manage our teams. Please make sure that if for some reason your child cannot play that you notify their coach.

Congratulations to Apai Tatafu who was one of 10 national finalists in the Fred Hollows Humanity Awards sponsored by the Fred Hollows Foundation. Last week Apai was presented with his certificate at a special Assembly. The award honours the work of Fred Hollows and is given to a child who shows the same values of kindness, compassion and service that Fred Hollows did in his lifetime. Well done Apai! We are very proud of you!

Well done to everyone who participated so well in the Badminton lessons over the past 3 weeks. It was great to see the skill and the enthusiasm on show in classes.

- Leavers Dinner Y8s and parents

Mon 14 Dec

- Christmas Newsletter
- Prizegiving Liturgy 6.30pm

Tues 15 Dec

- Last day of Term 4. School finishes at 1pm

Wed 3 Feb 2021

- 2021 Start Date

REMINDER

School starts at 9am!

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



Megan Cardie
Charlotte Gendall
Lilly Lysaght
Eros Perez
Amaris Livingston
Noelleena Savelio

Congratulations to Ana So'otaga!

Ana has won Administrator of The Year at the Hutt City Awards.

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**.



Thanks to everyone who helped sell chocolate. We made about \$3200 -a great result. We held the lucky draw for everyone who sold a box. The winners were Sammy Tufele (Junior) and Gabriel & Samantha Griffiths (Senior).

RNDM Mission Mufti Day: As a Mission Sister's school we are going to support the RNDM Mission Appeal by having a **Mufti Day on Friday 13th November. Gold coin donation for the Mufti please.** The Mission Sisters taught in our school for over 100 years and we keep up the tradition by including their charism in our RISE values. This year the money raised will be used by the Sisters in missions in Kenya and Bangladesh which have also been hit very hard by COVID19. The money will be used to purchase PPE for health care workers and patients at Matuu Mission Health Centre, Kenya and financial support for people in Maria Polli, Bagerhat, Bangladesh who have been affected by COVID19 and the cyclone Amphan 2020. Thank you for supporting this Mufti Day.

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.

Summer Uniform: This should be worn by everyone now. All children need a school sunhat. Please no multi coloured thermals under the 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

"To my mind, having a care and concern for others is the highest of the human qualities." **Fred Hollows**

Faamanuia atu le Atua

God bless
Liz

School Notices

- ◆ **FOSH Meeting** – Tuesday 10 November, 6pm. All welcome!
- ◆ **THANK YOU for your Gold Coin donations! We raised \$229.10 for Loud Shirt Day.**
- ◆ **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 - Thursday 3 December.** 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 would be very grateful for any donations 😊. See back page for further information!
- ◆ **HOLIDAY PROGRAMME** – FOSH will be operating another holiday programme on 16th, 17th, and 18th December. Hours: 8.30am to 3.30pm. Cost: 1 child \$30 per day, 2 children \$50 per day, max per family \$70 per day. BYO lunch and limited spaces. If you are interested please contact maadsandjared@gmail.com or Kate Wasson on 021374335. More information coming!

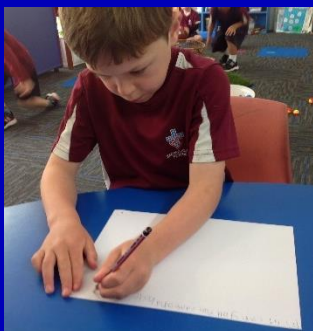




Busy bees in our school garden planting some of the New World Little Garden plants.



Fun games at lunchtime!



Toby from Ruru writes to Mr T (Tristram), asking him to come to school and do some science experiments!



Cataldo and Joshua from Ruru build an awesome skeleton!



Celebrating Our Students

School Athletics Day

Despite the terrible wind, everyone had a great time at school athletics! Congratulations everyone on some great results. You can look at the placings on the notice board, and a notice will go home to those who have qualified for the SWZ Athletics. Thank you to those parents who stepped up and helped us run events and took part in the Parent-Staff-Student race.

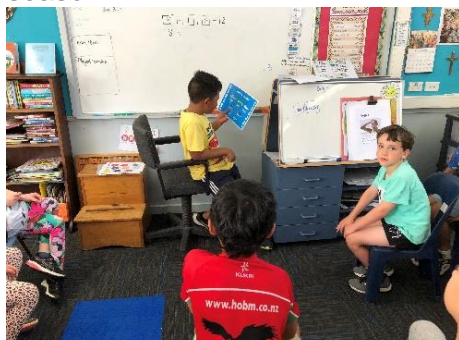


Welcome back to Sacred Heart School and community to Puanau Ioane and her family.



Battle of the Bands – some of our band members with Shaan Singh from Drax Project. We sang one of their songs at Battle of the Bands.

Sacred Heart Petone Raiders vs Sacred Heart Petone Knights on Friday's first Touch game for the season.



Aquino sharing his language and culture for Niue Language week. Well done Aquino!

HEADS UP!

Note these dates on your calendar!

- * **Art Evening** –
Thursday 3 Decemeber
- * **End of Year Mass** –
Thursday 10 December
9.30am. All welcome.
- * **School Picnic** –
Thursday 10 December
11am. Students travel
by bus.
- * **School PrizeGiving
Liturgy** – Monday 14
December 6.30pm.
All students expected to
attend in school
uniform.
- * **Last day of Term** –
Tuesday 15 December
Please note early finish
- **1.00pm.**

**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

Sacred Heart Petone's (FAMOUS)

Art Auction



Thursday 3rd December
Sacred Heart School hall

5pm - 6.30pm – parent art viewing, silent
art auction, wine & cheese, \$5 entry incl. glass
of wine and your child's beautiful artwork to keep

(FOSH thank you in advance for donations of
unwanted framed art that can be auctioned on the night, or wine to
be used for the evening event, both currently being accepted at the
school office)



Our Year 1 & 2 Panthers
Touch team listening to
Lance Scurrah.

**A big THANK YOU to all our
wonderful coaches and
managers.**

**Our students would not be
able to enjoy touch without
your help.**

*'From the first day we walked into Sacred Heart School we felt a sense of
belonging. The values that you teach will remain engraved in Ryder and
River's hearts for the rest of their lives. We are eternally grateful for
everything you have done for them. Thank you!
The Liut Family''*

Board of Trustees

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

The Board is pleased to announce that Genevieve Hanify and Helen Mollo were appointed by the Board at our October meeting to fill the vacancies. Genevieve was previously a proprietor representative on the Board and has stepped down from that role to take on the parent representative role.

The board would like to congratulate Janet on her 25 year anniversary with Sacred Heart School. Janet is a valued member of our school community and we appreciate all her hard work. Thank you, Janet.

Helen Kneebone
Board Chair