

## Sacred Heart School Petone

*Te Kura o Ngākau Tapu ki Pito-One*

# NEWSLETTER

### DATES TO NOTE

**Thurs 12 Mar**

- Weetbix Tryathlon

**Fri 13 March**

- Wheels Day

**Sat 14 Mar**

- Mission Expo

**Tues 17 Mar**

- St Patrick's Day  
'Green' Mufti

**Wed 18 Mar**

- Early Risers Session 5  
2pm
- FOSH Meeting 7pm

**Thurs 19 Mar**

- Hutt Primary Sports  
Festival (pp 26 Mar)

**Fri 20 Mar**

- Boostrix (Yr 7) and  
Gardisal (Y8)
- Assembly 2pm

**Wed 21 Mar**

- Working Bee 2pm  
onwards

**Wed 25 Mar**

- Junior trip to Botanical  
Gardens
- Newsletter

**Thurs 26 Mar**

- BoT Meeting 7pm  
(note change of date)

**Fri 27 Mar**

- Touch finishes

**Fri 3 Apr**

- Assembly 2pm

**Wed 8 Apr**

- Newsletter
- Easter Play 1.45pm

**Thurs 9 Apr**

- Term 1 ends 3pm

**Fri 10 Apr**

- Good Friday

**Mon 27 Apr**

- Anzac Day

**Tues 28 Apr**

- Term 2 begins

Number 3

Wednesday 11 March 2020

Talofa lava Parents and friends

It's hard to believe it's Week 6 of the term and we are well on our journey towards Easter! We are now entering the 2<sup>nd</sup> full week of Lent and this week we can focus on the following principles of Catholic Social teaching:

#### **COMMON GOOD/ HE PAINGA MŌ TE KATO A**

Rather than just focusing on ourselves, we are called to work for the good of all. This means respecting the rights and responsibilities of all people.

#### **STEWARDSHIP/ KAITIAKITANGA**

God calls us to care for all of his creation – those who walk on the Earth, and the Earth itself. We need to be stewards – kaitiaki – of the treasures that our creator has gifted us.

#### **PREFERENTIAL OPTION FOR THE POOR AND VULNERABLE /HE WHAKAARONUI MŌ TE HUNGA**

We need to find ways to help those who are poor, vulnerable, or less able than ourselves. We must care for them as part of our human family.

#### **How is God challenging us to put these principles into place this Lent?**

Kakapo had an amazing time at camp and I was very proud of all of them. We had lots of compliments about their behaviour on both the Abel Tasman Walk and on the ferry. Special thanks to Whaea Katy for all her hard work with the organisation. Thanks also to Matt Lewer, Ake Ioane- Perez, Anna Wilson, Hamish Stenhouse, Rob McNeill and Ralph Leafe who came along to camp as parent helpers. Without their help it would not have been possible to go to Camp or to do so many activities.

Good luck to everyone who is competing in the Weetbix Tryathlon today! Great to see you all participating and giving it a go!

Congratulations to all our Senior school students who participated so well in the Swimming Sports last Friday. Thanks to Penny Martell for her organisation and to the parents who came and helped on the day.

We offer our prayers and sympathy to the Fitzwater family on the recent death of Kate's sister. Our thoughts are with you at this time.

Well done to everyone who is participating in Movin' March! Lots of people walking, biking and scooting to school!

We all enjoyed the visit of Andrea and Harold in the Life Education van last week. Everyone learnt lots of new things. We look forward to their return in 2 years.

Congratulations to everyone for achieving our second Caught Having Good Values reward for the term. Our "Wheels Day" reward will be this Friday. More details later in the newsletter. Don't forget your safety gear!!

**"Green Mufti"** Next Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March is St Patrick's Day and we are having a green mufti day in support of the NZ Principal's Federation Bushfire Appeal. **Gold coin donation please.** We have all been shocked and saddened by the terrible bush fires in Australia over the summer and our Australian colleagues have shared with us the devastation of losing schools and everything in them. We will forward our

HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY

Toutai Vaka  
Ryder Liut  
Emily McKegg  
Timo Ahelemo

**R** Respect

**I** Integrity

**S** Sense of  
Community

**E** Excellence



### An Opportunity to Pray and be together:

Organised by St Francis of  
Assisi LFT and Challenge  
Youth Ministry Team  
Please invite ALL your  
family and friends along:

- to pray for those affected by the Christchurch Mosque shooting last year,
- to remember war and disasters throughout our world,
- to pray for the end of violence in our society and
- to face and seek healing for the abuse in our church and country

**St Peter's and Paul's,  
Johnsonville. Sunday  
15 March, 3pm**

contribution to the Principal's Federation as part of this appeal. We will let you know the total raised nationally at the end of the term.

**Emergency Packs:** Thanks to everyone who has provided their emergency packs. If you have not done this yet, could you please do it this week.

**Pasifika Proud:** Our after school study centre has not begun yet as we are having trouble finding a teacher. We will let you know what will be happening this year as soon as we know.

**RISE Challenge:** Folders have been set up for most participants. If your child has signed up but has not brought their clear file to school, could you please send it this week.

**Netball 2020:** Notices were due back today for this season. If you have forgotten to get yours back, I will accept them until this Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March.

**Working Bee:** We will be holding a working bee on Saturday 21 March from 2pm to tidy the back of Kakapo room and the school garden behind Kakapo. If you can help please see the notice later in the newsletter. We appreciate any help you can give us. A reminder notice will come home next week.

**Sacramental Programme 2020:** A notice about this programme has been sent out this week to all eligible students at our school. Any questions regarding the programme please speak to either Maree Mahony or myself at school. Enrolments close on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April.

*Thought for the Week*

"You pray for the hungry, then you feed them. This is how prayer works"

**Pope Francis**

Faamanuia atu le Atua

God bless

Liz

## School Notices

- ◆ **HELP-** has anyone got any spare time one weekend to go through the wood box on Tui deck, pull out the nails and give it a good sort. If anyone has a skill saw it would be great to cut up the bigger pieces to make them easier to use. Please see Jacqui if you need access to power.
- ◆ **PLEASE** could you remember to let school know if your child is going to be absent from school. The MOE requires us to record a reason for the absence, **so please include a reason.**  
You can do this easily either via the school App, text 0225115419, phone 5686711 or admin@sacredheartpetone.school.nz. Thank you.
- ◆ **WHEELS DAY** – Friday 13 March. This is a reward for reaching our Caught Having Good Values goal. Students to wear PE uniform, no mufti! Bring safety equipment (**helmets compulsory**) and skates, skateboards, scooters and bikes.
- ◆ **SCHOOL APP** Go to either to the Apple App Store or Google Play Store where the SchoolAppsNZ app will appear. Download and select Sacred Heart Petone. **OR** you can use a QR Code Reader if you have this on your phone to scan this barcode which will take you directly to our App.



Once you have our school App you can receive important messages and reminders by signing up for Alert Subscription groups relevant to your child's activities eg Touch, Junior Syndicate, Whanau Support Group etc. You can send an absentee notice (this comes directly to Janet's email), view the school newsletters. In an emergency all users will receive important Alerts.

**WHEELS DAY!**  
Friday 13 March  
Don't forget to bring  
your 'named'  
helmet!



### Movin'March Parent Photo Comp

Snap a photo of your family's journey to school during Movin'March & win! It might highlight a small adventure or wonder discovered along the way, or simply capture a moment in your journey. Post your photo publicly on Facebook or Instagram with #movinmarch. All entries will go in the daily draw to win a family pass to a fun destination in the Wellington region.



Junior students  
creating their own  
mountains.



Even our big girls  
have fun with the  
Lego friends!

- ◆ **EASTER RAFFLE** – We are having an Easter Raffle as a school fundraiser. Please send any donations to the office. Thank you!
- ◆ **WORKING BEE** – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2pm onwards. We will be cleaning up the school garden and the area behind Kakapo. Please bring your own tools. **Many hands make light work!**
- ◆ **FOSH (Friends of Sacred Heart) Meeting** – Wednesday 18 March, 7pm in the library. All warmly invited and welcome with lots of ideas!
- ◆ **St Patrick's Day 'GREEN' MUFTI** – Tuesday 17 March. **Gold coin** donation for Australian schools affected by bushfires.



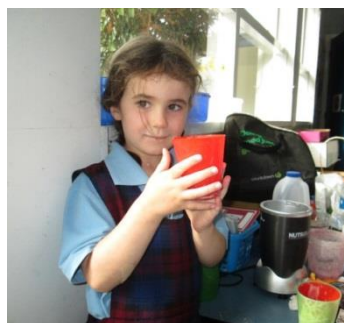
## Community Notices

- ◆ Come along to the **Mission Expo** at Bishop Viard College, Porirua, on 14 March between 10am and 4pm. Lots of free parking and public transport just across the road. While the children are having their faces painted, or playing some of the many organised games, adults can explore the booths and be entertained by a schedule of performances. The children may like to attend a workshop where they make and bring home either a bird box, insect motel, or planter box (need to register for the workshop with Ann Williams 496 1783. Come for lunch and enjoy multi-cultural food. Free entry and there are door prizes.
- ◆ **Calling all footballers - Register for Petone FC today!** Do you know any young people who would like to play football (soccer)? Registrations are now open for returning and new players at Petone Football Club. Season starts 5 April 2020. No experience is necessary as we have junior teams at all levels and abilities from ages 5 to 15. Players can either play in mixed teams (games on Saturdays), or there is the option for girls to play in Girls Only teams (which play on Sundays). Email juniors@petonefootball.org.nz or visit <http://petonefootball.org/junior-football/registration> for more information.
- ◆ **Sacred Heart College** are organising a '**clothing swap**' on Tuesday 17th March between 2:35pm and 4:30pm, this is a joint project between the sustainability team and the Relay for Life Organisers - so proceeds will be donated to Relay for Life. At the event the benefits of second hand fashion will be promoted. Cost \$5 entry.



## Celebrating our Students

**Good luck to all our students taking part in the Weetbix Tryathalon tomorrow.**



Tui class had  
great fun  
making yummy  
nutritious  
smoothies.  
Banana was the  
favourite!



**ART CITY** As part of the Junior Syndicate Art Rotation, one group of students are working collaboratively, using recycled materials and loose parts to create a city together.

## 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.

## School Bank Account

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Please note the child's name and what the payment is for when making an online payment. Thank you.

## 2020 TERM DATES

**Term 1** Mon 3 Feb –  
Thurs 9 April

**Term 2** Tues 28 April –  
Fri 3 July

**Teacher Only Day Fri 29 May** (Queen's Birthday Weekend)

**Term 3** Mon 20 July –  
Fri 25 Sept

**Teacher Only Day Wed 9th Sept**

**Term 4** Mon 12 Oct –  
Tues 15 Dec

**Teacher Only Day Fri 23 Oct** (Labour Weekend)

## UPCOMING EVENTS!

**Wheels Day** Friday 13 March. PE Uniform. Compulsory helmet.



### 'Green Muffi'

Tuesday  
17 March  
Gold coin donation

for Australian schools affected by bush fires.

### FOSH Meeting –

Wednesday 18 March, 7pm Library. All welcome!

On Thursday, years 6, 7 and 8 went to see the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra in concert. There was a murder of the composer and the detective had to investigate all the sections of the orchestra. Who did it? The conductor!! **Andres**



## Coronavirus

As a school we receive regular updates and information from the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Education.

All schools and early learning services are still in the Keep it Out phase of a pandemic plan.

The **preventative measures** the Ministry of Health is encouraging schools and early learning services to practice is those of good hygiene, which include:

- Washing hands with soap and water before and after eating as well as after attending the toilet
- Covering coughs and sneezes with clean tissues or with an elbow
- Putting used tissues in the bin
- Encouraging staff and students to stay home if they are unwell

We will keep you informed of any changes to this situation.

## You can be an anti COVID-19 ninja!



If we panic we can't be a very good ninja- ninjas stay calm and in control. We need to take this seriously and not be all silly about it. Don't run off to the shops and buy ALL the toilet paper, water, soap, facemasks. Just use what you need to stay safe.

Wash your hands, everytime you think about the nasty little virus.

Catch your cough and sneezes, and keep your boogers to your self. Wash your hands if you touch your snots and coughs. Throw tissues away carefully.

Wash your hands before and after eating.

Drink lots of water, eat healthy foods, sleep well. Keeping your body healthy will help fight the virus and stop you getting to sick.

If you or your family have to spend time at home because you might have COVID-19, don't feel bad. You are doing a great job protecting other people from getting it! You are a great COVID-19 ninja! Take the time to learn something new, invent something, create a new game... there are loads of ways to enjoy your time while you protect others!

All information was researched through WHO, Int, health.govt.nz, and worldometers.info.

Prepared by Amy Brov

## Board of Trustees

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