



SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Te Kura Ngakau Tapu

"Sacred Heart School is a Catholic Community enriching and empowering our students for life in the 21st century."

Newsletter: Thursday 5 July 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Nau mai haere mai. Talofa lava, Malo e lei lei, Jou sahn, Aubowan, Chao, Hola, Fakalofa atu, Kumusta, Salam Sejahtera

On the 24th April, during his address at the Mass in the Domus Sanctae Marthae, Pope Francis said, "*The church is like a bicycle -- it stays upright as long as it keeps moving.*" He prayed: "May we know how to open ourselves to new things, but only those that come from God. May he grant us, with the strength of the Holy Spirit, the grace to discern the signs of the times in order to make the decisions that we need to make in that moment." Enjoy your holiday break spreading the Good News to all you meet!



Absentees and Lateness

If your child is going to be late or absent can you make sure that you let us know before 9.00 am. Either use the SchoolApp or call the office on ph:3383247

Dancing Like the Stars



Room 6 were stunning on Monday night at the Isaac Theatre Royal. They have had nine weeks tuition by Hazel and performed like experts on stage. They are real credit to our school.

We are truly thankful to Mrs Gibson and Mrs Bourne for putting together the lovely outfits and to Mrs Williams for the encouragement, the organisation and preparing the children beautifully.

Building update

The Sacred Heart Board and Staff are looking forward to the construction phase of our fantastic new building. The contractor is currently setting up the site ready to start putting in the piles during the holiday break to minimise disruptions. We are delighted to have Jake and his team from Hann Construction doing our build.

The Sacred Heart Board and Staff are excited to present to our School Community a building that will transform not only our classroom environment but the surrounding landscape at Sacred Heart School for many years to come.





Swimming

Next term all children will be having swimming lessons at Pioneer Pool. Lessons begin on the Monday of Week 3 (6 August) and continue every day for two weeks. We aim to have all children swimming to maximise the benefits of this opportunity. Children must bring their swimming costume, a dry towel, goggles are recommended and a separate bag to take to swimming daily. We remind parents that the Board of Trustees budget carefully so that we don't pass on the costs of the lessons and buses.



Sport - Miss McFadzien

We are delighted with the work Steve and Ross from Kelly Sports are doing with our Year 1-4 children every Thursday to help develop their fundamental skills. Each class has a half hour session each week and we are seeing great progress and enthusiasm.

Basketball- Week 9

Year 7 and 8	
Celtics	26-12 win
Green	27-2 win

Canterbury Primary Schools Cross Country

Last week Malia and Jaedyn competed at the Primary Schools Cross-Country at Halswell Quarry. They ran their hardest and faced the best athletes from all over Canterbury. We are proud of your fantastic effort.

Hagley Sport

It was so lovely to head down to Hagley Park last week in the sun! We had some fantastic games and everyone had a great time. The previous weeks we had our winter sports rained off. During week 8 we decided to put our skills to the test and went out onto the school courts and field to upskill and learn from one another. This was a successful afternoon with lots of new skills learnt and a lot of fun in the sunshine.

5/6 A Netball	12 - 1 win
5/6 B Netball	12 - 2 loss
7/8 A Netball	31 - 4 loss
7/8 B Netball	Bye
5/6 A Hockey	8 - 2 win
5/6 B Hockey	10 - 0 loss
7/8 A Hockey	8 - 1 win
7/8 B Hockey	4 - 0 loss
5/6 A Football	3 - 6 loss
5/6 B Football	5 - 0 loss
7/8 A Football	Bye

Cultural Festival 2018

Those people who did not order tickets through the school, and would like to purchase more tickets for the Cultural Festival, you will soon be able to buy tickets from Ticketek. We will keep you informed when these become available

Teachers Union negotiations

As you will be aware from the media and your support of the Teachers Union Meeting recently that there is a nationwide crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers. While there are many more children coming into the school system, there are not enough new teachers being trained. Urgent and significant changes are needed to ensure that the teaching profession can attract the people it needs and to ensure class sizes do not start to increase.



The teachers from this school recently attended a NZEI Te Riu Roa paid union meeting regarding the *Kua Tae Te Wā* - It's Time campaign. The campaign aims to free teachers to teach and principals to lead, by getting the additional support and staff that schools need. The meeting allowed our teachers to discuss how the Ministry of Education has responded to changes that the union is seeking.

I appreciate that any industrial action such as strikes creates some inconvenience for families. However, I encourage you to support your teachers as they strive to achieve the changes which will safeguard quality education for all children and ensure we make teaching an attractive profession for graduates.

Car Safety

Please do not park on the yellow lines outside of school when dropping off and picking up children, it restricts the view of children crossing the road. Avoid parking on the bus stop. Please remember to keep children safe in vehicles by following New Zealand law. All children must be restrained when travelling in a motor vehicle. If you are unsure of the requirements please check the website below.

<https://goo.gl/xjKkXx>

Polar Fleece – new stock of large jackets have arrived

With a change in the weather we remind parents that Sacred Heart Polar Fleece jackets are available from Clare in the office for \$50.00. Please remember to name all clothing.

PARISH NEWS

Please make sure all Parish Attendance Dues for Term 2 have been paid to Judy in the Parish office. Please make an arrangement to pay any overdue amount you may have.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

From Tuesday 3 April 2018 the Parish Office hours will be as follows:
Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri: 8.30 am—4.00 pm *and*
Tuesday 8.30 am—12.30 pm.

Link to the Parish Website - <https://goo.gl/obKDKn>

Events

6 July	End of Term 2
23 July	Start of Term 3
31 July	SW Zone Winter Tournament
6 August	Start of 2 weeks of swimming lessons
5 September	Cultural Festival - Horncastle Arena
20 September	School photos
28 September	End of Term 3



**God Bless,
Frank and the Team at Sacred Heart School.**



Sacred Heart SchoolApp

Sacred Heart School uses a **Mobile App** for notices, events and other important School messages. To download the app for free on iPhone or Android click this link. <http://onelink.to/fkk4ze>
Or search the App Store with Sacred Heart Christchurch

Please make sure you are signed up to our facebook page.
<https://goo.gl/ZOSNPA>



Parents are encouraged to make healthy choices from the Sushi Factory or Pita Pit menus for their children from our Friday lunch provider.

Please visit <https://www.lunchonline.co.nz/> to join up and order for your children

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