



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 2 August 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

It has been a good start to the term weather wise with the days being just that bit warmer and the sun in the sky a bit longer. It was a delight to see all the children back after the holidays and they are all straight back into their learning.

This term is gearing up to be exciting, busy, and full of learning. Next week swimming begins at Pioneer Pool, please read the notes below so that you know what to send along each day. The Board of Trustees budgets very carefully so that we don't have to pass the costs of buses and lessons on to families, so make sure your child takes full advantage of this opportunity. Please check your Seesaw accounts for times if you want to watch lessons.

The First Reconciliation/First Communion Programme begins this week, so if you know of anyone wanting to be part of that please contact the school or parish.

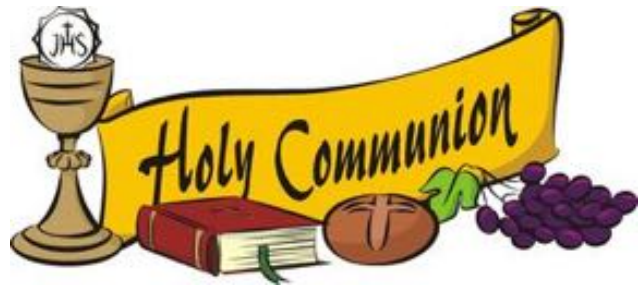
Our Kapa Haka group, our Filipino Performing Arts group and our Choirs are all working hard for upcoming performances at Horncastle Arena. Make sure you have your tickets sorted for these events.

In our Learning we continue to look at our Addington area for our Deep Learning before turning our focus to 'The nature of Science' where teachers are organising a science day with some really interesting guests coming in to run workshops with the children.

Go Crusaders!

First Reconciliation Communion Programme 2018

As advised last week the First Reconciliation/First Communion Programme starts this Sunday. It is not too late to enrol in the programme. If you would like your child to receiving these sacraments, please let us know as soon as possible so that the forms can be completed. If your child has not been baptised and you would still like them to receive these sacraments please contact the Parish - Judy 3388395..



Buildings Update

The builders are progressing nicely. The floor framing is completed, insulation and flooring is going in and framing will go up next week. They will have a roof on in no time!

Water Only

As part of our school being a healthy eating accredited school through The Heart Foundation, we have a policy of being 'Water Only'. Can you ensure that you do not send your child to school with anything other than water.

Absentees and Lateness

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

2019 enrolments

If you know of anyone looking for a space for their child at Sacred Heart School for next year, could you please get them to contact us as soon as possible to avoid missing out. If they are overseas could you pass on our details so that they can contact us.

Car Parking

As you have probably noticed, we are using the staff car park as an extra play area for the children while the court space is out of action as a building site. This has meant that teachers and service vehicles are parking on the road. To ensure children's safety please do not park on the yellow lines or close to the crossings when dropping off or picking up your children. Also, please respect the neighbours of our school by not parking on their grass outside their houses. For the safety of all your children and for the sake of an extra minutes walk please park further down the road to collect your children instead of putting people at risk.



Policy Review

We have all our policies and procedures on School Docs. At present we have a policy on **Behaviour Management** and **Complaints** that we would appreciate your feedback on. Please follow the link below and review this policy.

1. Visit the website
<http://sacredheartchch.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm> (note that there is no "www"!)
2. Enter the user name (sacred) and password (heart).
3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
4. Read the policy.
5. Click the Policy Review button at the right hand top corner of the page.
6. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
7. Enter your name (optional).
8. Submit your ratings and comments.

Cultural Festival

Our awesome Filipino Performing Arts Group and our stunning Kapa Haka Group have been working hard polishing their performances ready to show them off to Canterbury at the Christchurch Primary School's Cultural Festival on Wednesday 5 September. If you have not got your tickets yet, either use the link below to book them online or visit Ticketek.



<http://premier.ticketek.co.nz/shows/show.aspx?sh=CULTURAL18>

Mufti day for Sheppard House

As a reward for being the winning house in Term 2 all children in Sheppard House can come to school in mufti clothing tomorrow.

Swimming

Next week all children will be having swimming lessons at Pioneer Pool. Lessons begin on Monday 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 do not pass on the costs of the lessons and buses.



Sport - Miss McFadzien

Pioneer Basketball

The teams played fantastically against some tough competition. It is wonderful to see our players improving from week to week!

7/8 Celtics	27-28 loss
7/8 Green	15-18 loss

Hagley Sport

Our first week back at Hagley was a great one! Our teams played very well and are making big improvements in skill and teamwork.

5/6 A Netball	11-8 win
5/6 B Netball	14-8 loss
7/8 A Netball	23-11 win
5/6 A Hockey	3-2 loss
5/6 B Hockey	8-0 win
7/8 A Hockey	2-1 loss

7/8 B Hockey	2-1 win
5/6 A Football	2-2 draw
5/6 B Football	9-0 loss



South West Zones Primary Winter Tournament

On Tuesday 31 July our Year 7 and 8 Football team competed at Hagley Park. They played five games and placed 4th. Fantastic effort boys! Thanks to Mrs Williams and Graham for supporting and refereeing the team.

STRIKE DAY - 15 August (School will be closed)

Both primary teachers and principals have voted for full day strike action on 15 August. The very clear message of the vote to the Government is that our profession is facing a crisis that cannot be resolved with a business-as-usual approach to negotiations.

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.



Both groups of members voted by significant majorities in favour of full day strikes on August 15. This is strong endorsement to take collective action together! 15 August will be a National Day of Action; we will notify you of your local event time and location so you can support the teachers. 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.

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

The Parish Office hours are 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

5 August	First Reconciliation Parent Meeting - 1.00pm Parish Hall
6 August	Start of 2 weeks of swimming lessons
15 August	Possible Strike Day for teachers - School will be closed for instruction
26 August	First Reconciliation Parent and Children Meeting - 1.00 pm Church
5 September	Cultural Festival - Horncastle Arena
16 September	First Reconciliation Parent and Children Meeting - 1.00 pm Church
20 September	School photos
25 September	Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation - 7.00 pm Church
28 September	End of Term 3
15 October	Start of Term 4

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

Have you lost a pair of glasses? These were left in our playground. They are in the office if they are yours and you want to collect them.



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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