



# SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Te Kura o Te Ngākau Tapu

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

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**Newsletter: Friday 21 August 2020**

Dear Parents and Caregivers

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

Not really the disruption that anyone of us wanted. We really thank you all for the way you have helped manage our move back into Covid Alert Level 2. The children, although discussing the move, have shown no signs of anxiety or worry that it could bring. With all our hard work we look forward to some normality soon.

We continue to keep the following in place:

- Good hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette
- Staying away if sick
- Keeping the appropriate physical distance from others
- Cleaning and disinfecting our high touch surfaces daily
- Asking you to drop children off at school gates after 8.30 a.m. and picking them up from school gates after school finishes at 3.00 p.m.
- We continue to display QR code posters at our front office and on our gate and we encourage all of our community to download the NZ COVID Tracer App and use it if they come on-site
- Keeping a visitor register for anyone who cannot use the app and for other essential visitors

We know all these things will help to keep our community as safe as possible. Because of these measures being in place, your child does not need to wear a face-covering while at school.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding for all we are doing to keep our community safe.

## Online Safety Tips

# SEVEN STEPS TO HELP YOU

The seven steps from Netsafe's [Online Safety Parent Toolkit](#) are designed to enhance your digital parenting knowledge and have been developed with parents in mind.

1. **Understand:** Read about the potential online risks, challenges and sometimes illegal behaviour young people face to understand what may happen
2. **Learn:** Ask your child about what they do, how they use devices and who they talk to learn about their activities. Check in regularly to see what has changed
3. **Explore:** Take the time yourself to explore the sites, apps and technologies your child uses to improve your knowledge and understand their experience
4. **Agree:** Create a family code with your child to agree on what they can do online including sites to visit, appropriate behaviours, privacy settings and limits
5. **Teach:** Recognise each child has unique needs, but some online safety concepts are universal. Start by teaching yours the Five tips to help your child thrive
6. **Model:** Be a good example to your child. Make sure you role model the sort of behaviours you want to see your child use online and offline
7. **Plan:** Make a plan so everybody knows what to do if something goes wrong and where you will be able to get advice and support in challenging times

Netsafe is always a good site to keep an eye on <https://www.netsafe.org.nz/>

## DISCO - UnSave the Date

Due to the Hall being unavailable we have had to change the date of the Disco.

**The 2020 DISCO will now be held on Friday 20 November**

**More details to follow in term 4**



## Sport

### **Swimming**

It was a shame to have to end our swimming lessons early this year but we were really impressed with how quickly the students progressed. Thank you for all your support, ensuring students had the correct swimming costumes each day, and having them promptly at school so they didn't miss the bus.

### **Basketball**

We have had two great weeks of basketball with awesome results and team work from both the year 5 and 6 and year 7 and 8 teams. The year 5 and 6 team have been unbeaten in the last two games and are really starting to play well as a team. The year 7 and 8 team had a sensational 40 point win and a 1 point loss and impressed us with their teamwork also. Thank you to all parents for your understanding during level 2, dropping the teams and picking them up after the spectator less games.



### **Book Week - 12-16 October 2020**

More information about our new book week will come out before the end of term.

Book Character Dress Up Day will be the first Friday of Term 4.

## Faith Facts

This term the Faith Facts are based on "Our Faith, Our Future" (a pastoral letter from Bishop Paul Martin SM) outlining his vision for the future of the diocese.

*"Often too much parish energy and resources goes into maintaining parish plant that was built for, and appropriate to, an earlier era. This has meant that less time and money is available to be spent on the primary mission of the church and as a result too many of our family and friends are struggling to encounter Jesus Christ within the Catholic Church.*

*Flourishing parishes are filled with young people and young families. Lay people are given the opportunity to use their talents and gifts and priests too are given the opportunity to work out of their strengths and experience the joy of working where they are gifted. In these communities every member has a strong commitment to social justice and to the poor."*



## Baptism

Congratulations to **Rigel** in Room 1 who was Baptised after a Sunday Mass recently. Welcome into the Family of God.



## Breakfast at School.



We are looking to see what interest we have with introducing the Kickstart Breakfast in Schools Programme. Please click on and complete the survey below.

<https://forms.gle/Lam5KR7o3HP2QdKt6>

## Parish News

For Church Notices Please view the Catholic Parish of Christchurch South website.

<https://sanctamariaparish.nz/> or the New App

Please note the new weekend Mass times as follows:

## Attendance Dues Term 3

These have been emailed out to all parents. Please make payment to the parish as soon as possible. For any enquiries contact Judy [administration@christchurchsouth.org.nz](mailto:administration@christchurchsouth.org.nz).

## Parish App

Here are the details of how to download our excellent new Parish App. Keep updated on mass times, news and what is happening in the Parish

Go to the App Store on your Apple or Android device and Search 'ChurchAppsNZ' to download the app onto your device.

Then search 'The Catholic Parish of Christchurch South' to find your church app.



## Dates for 2021

Term	Start Date	End Date	Total Days	Term Holidays /Notes
One	Wed 3 Feb	Friday 16 April	45 or 96 ½ days	6 Feb - Waitangi Day, 2, 5, 6 April - Easter
Two	Monday 3 May	Friday 9 July	49 or 96 ½ days	7 June - Queen's Birthday Cluster TO Day (4 June)
Three	Monday 26 July	Friday 1 October	50 or 100 ½ days	
Four	Monday 18 October	Friday 17 December	44 or 86 ½ days	25 October - Labour Day, 12 Nov - Canterbury Anni.

\* There will be 3 Teacher Only days during 2021 as part of the Primary Teachers Collective Agreement with dates to be confirmed.

## Events

**11 September** - Teacher Only Day - School Closed for Children

**25 September** - End of Term 3

## Policy Review

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

1. Visit the website  
<http://sacredheartch.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.

## Friday Lunchonline



Parents are encouraged to make healthy choices from the Sushi Factory. Check out the menu. Please visit <https://www.lunchonline.co.nz/> to join up and order for your children.

### School App

Make sure you keep up with all communications from school and have the latest update of our School App. Download SchoolAppsNZ from the App Store or Google Play and search Sacred Heart Christchurch



Please make sure you are signed up to our facebook page.

<https://goo.gl/ZOSNPA>



### Kelly Sports September/October Holiday Programmes



Bookings for our upcoming Kelly Sports Holiday Programmes at Hillview Christian School and Hillmorton High School are now available online. With strict Covid-19 restrictions in place Kelly Sports have re-implemented approved Safety Measures to protect everyone attending the programmes.

The focus of our Programmes is to ensure kids are active throughout with a great mixture of games and activities to suit everyone. WINZ Subsidies are available for families that qualify and we have options of Half Day sessions, School Day sessions and Full Day sessions available.

To register and for more information please visit [www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) and search for your venue of choice or contact Steve on [steve@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:steve@kellysports.co.nz) for more information