



# 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 7 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*

Next week we celebrate The Assumption. All classes that are not swimming will be going to mass at 9.00 am. The Assumption is a special day where God assumed the Virgin Mary into Heaven following her death. We wish our fellow Parish school, Our Lady of the Assumption, a wonderful day for their feast day.

We have a bit coming up over the rest of the term. One of the key events for the children will be book week. We have some exciting guests coming in to read to children and some fantastic activities for classes around reading. More details are further down the newsletter. Another key event is the school DISCO. The senior class have been organising this as part of their measurement unit.



Cultural performance groups are in full swing and looking forward to performances coming up. The kapa haka group performed admirably at a preschool last week. The choir is working hard and will be performing with Addington School Choir as a replacement event to the popular Kahukura Music Festival. Catholic Cathedral College students are working with our Pasifika Group, our Filipino performing group are in full swing and our Year 8 children are practising hard with Donna Frost from Latin Fire on their Salsa for the slick 'Dancing Like the Stars' performance.

A big thank you to all the parents that attended the Parent-Teacher Conferences last week, we had a great attendance rate. Please remember that you can meet with the teachers by arrangement at any time during the year.

## 2021 Enrolments



We are heading towards having a full roll very soon and have opened up another new entrants classroom. In saying this, we have very few places available for next year. Hopefully, we have included any siblings to come in on our list. If you have or know of any children not on our list to start next year can you please get someone to contact us.



A big welcome to the new students who have started recently.

*Room 6 - Stephanie, Addison, Emily and Althea*

### Swimming

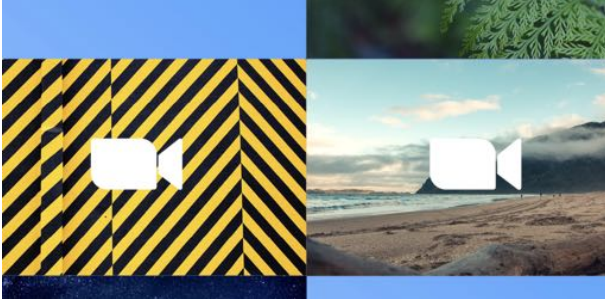
Swimsafe Lessons at Pioneer are going well. Children's confidence and ability in the water is already increasing. Please remember to send them to school all of next week with their swimming costume, a dry towel, goggles are recommended and a separate bag to take to swimming daily. **Please make sure everything is named.**

Parents are most welcome to come and watch:

Room 1 and 6	9.30 am
Seniors Yr 6 and 8	10.00 am
Seniors Yr 7	10.30 am
Middles Yr 5 and 6	11.00 am
Middles Yr 4	11.30 am
Room 5	12.00 pm
Room 2	12.30 pm



## Online Safety Tips



After lockdown with the use of Zoom it's no surprise that video gatherings became popular. One platform that has continued popularity with children is Zoom. Originally designed as a platform for organisations to collaborate online, Zoom is now used by young people and those looking for new ways to maintain their relationships. Here's an overview of what you need to know and how to stay safe.

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/get-into-zoom/>

## Coffee Morning

We have had a number of new children start at Sacred Heart since the end of Lockdown. We would like to invite parents, new and old, to meet for a coffee and a chat in the staffroom next week. It will be a chance to connect or reconnect after dropping the children at the gate. We will meet on **Wednesday 12 August at 9.00 am**. Everyone is welcome, please feel free to bring your preschoolers.



## DISCO - Save the Date

4 September



### Cross Country

Congratulations to the students who represented our school at the zone cross country last week in very cold conditions. All students ran their very best and gained some great results. Special congratulations and good luck to Lennard and Gus who are going to represent our zone at the Canterbury Primary Schools' Cross Country Champs next week. A big thank you to Mr Kenton for looking after the team and to the other parents for transporting and supporting students.

### Basketball



Last week our year 7 and 8 team played in the Canterbury Schools' tournament. They played 7 games with mixed results, never giving up and always working well with each other. Thank you to Ronald for transporting and supporting the team.

Games began on Wednesday night for our year 5 and 6 team who lost to Medbury. The team showed real potential and we are looking forward to seeing their progress. Thank you to Steven and Sarah for supporting the team courtside during parent interviews.

On Friday night our year 7 and 8 team had a huge 30 point win against St Thomas of Canterbury. The boys played really well and showed great teamwork.

It has been great to see students joining in the fitness programme before the beginning of each day and the lunchtime activities. Our senior students have really stepped up and are showing great leadership skills with both of these initiatives.

### **House for Rent**

A friend of the school has a house on Parlane Street available for rent.

All the details are on this URL

[tinyurl.com/29Parlane](http://tinyurl.com/29Parlane)

# Book Week 2020

17-21 August

*Join us each day in the library from  
12:45-1:30pm  
to hear stories read by special guests,  
while enjoying a hot chocolate and biscuit.  
(Parents welcome)*

*Daily prizes and competitions.*



*Dress as your favourite book character day  
Friday 21 August – Parade from 11:45am  
(parents welcome)*

### From the DRS

#### Greetings to all family/whanau, caregivers and friends.

Welcome to term 3. The year seems to have picked up speed again after a rather unsettling and uncertain start. I do hope you are all doing well.

Each class started the term recapping and studying prayers. Being such an integral part of the life of a catholic school it is important children know how to pray, where and when to pray.

All students are currently learning about the sacraments. Year 0, 1 and 2 children are learning about Baptism. Year 3 students are focussing on Reconciliation. The middle school is learning how the presence of God is everywhere and in everyone and the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. The senior students are gaining an understanding of the sacrament of Holy Orders. Later on in the term, the focus will move on to learning about Jesus as he was when he lived amongst us and his presence in our lives today.

Class prayer services and attendance at Friday morning masses are as follows:

Friday, August 7th, Room 2 attend mass

Friday, September 14th, Senior prayer service at 2.00 pm in the church

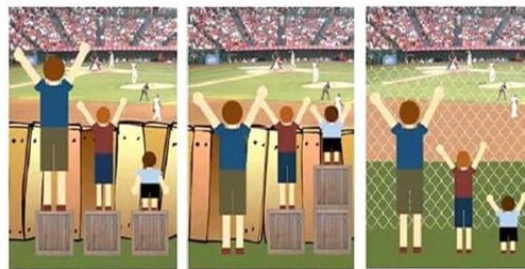
Friday, August 28th, Rooms 1 and 6 attend mass

Friday, September 4th, middle syndicate attend mass

Friday, September 4th, Room 2 prayer service at 2.00 pm in the church

Next Saturday, 15th August is the Feast of the Assumption. As this is a Holy Day of Obligation the school will be attending Mass at 9 am on Friday, 14th August. Please feel free to come along.

Social Justice Week. Social Justice Week 2020 runs from September 6-12 and focuses on Catholic social teaching principles. The diagram below clearly explains the difference between equality, equity and justice (where the main barriers are removed).



Equality

Equity

Justice

At this point I would like to direct you to the Family/Whanau book. There are a limited number of copies at school or you can visit

<http://www.faithalive.org.nz/assets/Resources/Family-whanau-book.pdf> The book describes what the children are learning and how you can support your child's learning of the Catholic faith at home.

Many blessings during this term. Paula Duncan (DRS)

## 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.



*“Healthy families and organisations need good leadership, not simply a coordination of views and opinions. A diocesan bishop is appointed to be much more than the facilitator of ministries. A bishop is called to be a leader, knowing and understanding the treasure that is Catholic Faith, and ensuring that this faith is communicated as the person of Jesus Christ who is the answer to every human need and the purpose of every diocesan and parish project. I am committed to doing my best to serve you in this way.”*

## Mass Times

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:

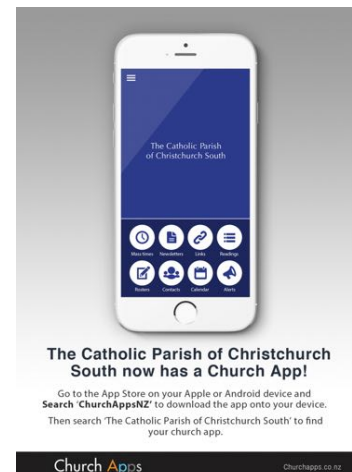
Sacred Heart	St Peters	Hoon Hay	Carmelite Monastery	Halswell
Saturday 9.00 am Saturday 5.00 pm Sunday 10.30 am Sunday 5.00 pm	Sunday 9.00 am	Sunday 9.00 am	Daily 8.30 am	Saturday 6.00 pm Sunday 10.30 am

## 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

- 3 August - 14 August** - Daily Swimming at Pioneer
- 12 August** - Parent Coffee Morning - Staffroom 9.00 am
- 14 August** - Assembly in the hall - Rooms 2 leading - 2.00 pm
- 17 August - 21 August** - Book Week
- 20 August** - BoT Meeting - Senior Classroom - 5.30 pm
- 4 September** - DISCO
- 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 Luncheonline



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



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★★★★ 2.4, 76 Ratings  
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Please make sure you are signed up to our facebook page.  
<https://goo.gl/ZOSNPA>



For Bespoke Cakes and Macarons made by one of our talented parents visit  
**The Pastel Room**

<https://thepastelroomnz.site123.me/>



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### MORE INFO

- About**  
Specialising in bespoke cakes and other sweet treats. Contact me via direct message to make an enquiry or email [thepastelroomnz@gmail.com](mailto:thepastelroomnz@gmail.com)



## R19 Stonemason

For any brickwork, stonework or gardening contact:

