

School Newsletter

Week 10 5th APRIL 2017

CATHOLIC CHARACTER:

This coming Sunday is a special day called, Palm Sunday. We will hear how crowds of people welcomed Jesus into Jerusalem with respect, love and happiness.



We will have palms to remind us of how the people cut branches and laid them in the road before him as they shouted with joy.

Some questions to think about together:

Can you think of a time you welcomed someone else, into your home, your class, your game? What did you do?

Can you think of a time when you have been welcomed by others? What did they do to make you feel special and welcome?

This coming week let us all be mindful of our actions and let's try to welcome all people as we would welcome Jesus.

Jesus is in all people, so we should treat all people with the respect, love and kindness that we would show to Jesus. We should try to welcome all people into our lives and treat them as we would like to be treated.

We invite you also to say these prayers each night:

We pray for world leaders: that they may be inspired by Jesus' example to care for all people, especially those who are poor. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for our brothers and sisters throughout the world: that we may look for Jesus within them and that we treat each other as we would wish to be treated. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for our parish, family and friends: that we may welcome all people with respect and love, as Jesus was welcomed into Jerusalem. Lord, hear our prayer.

God of truth, we thank you for sending us your Son Jesus. Open our hearts so that we may welcome him in others and bring us together to make the world a fairer place. Amen.

Caritas Learning:

Congratulations to the McAuley syndicate students who shared with each other their learning and understanding of the Caritas focus: Just Water-Climate Change in the Pacific. The students engaged well with the resources, and completed their own research, to develop their learning. Thank you to the teachers who worked so hard to utilize fully the resources to support authentic engagement with this topic.

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers Ms Renata, and her Whanau, whose father passed away earlier this week. Let's also remember in our prayers members of our community who may be unwell or going through difficult times.



RECONCILIATION

Congratulations to the 19 Holy Cross children who will be making their First Reconciliation tonight at the Holy Cross Church 6:30pm. Please feel free to go along and support these students as they continue on their faith journey.

EASTER LITURGY

We warmly invite you to join us at our Easter Liturgy in the school hall on Thursday 13th April at 9:00am.



To: Sirayley on Saturday, Ihaia, and Ronit on Friday 14th April.

TE REO WORD OF THE WEEK

Aranga: Easter
E aha ana koe ā Te Aranga?
What are you doing for Easter?



What a wonderful learning journey this programme provides. Thank you to Marija our kitchen co-ordinator and Kelly-Ann our garden co-ordinator for the incredible work they are doing with our students. Also a big thank you to our parents and community members who have helped out in the Garden to Table Programme during Term 1: Robyn, Jo, Dorothy, Patricia, Salu, Amy, Kate, Tania, Olivia, Aleece, Rana, Nat.

Your contribution of time means we can deliver quality learning in the garden and kitchen.

We need to fill a few places on our Term 2 roster, so if you can spare a Tuesday morning and would like to lend a hand in the garden or kitchen, please email marija@hcm.school.nz or let the school office know. You don't need to be an expert, just be enthusiastic



On Friday 7th April for a gold coin donation students are invited to dress in Pasifika themed mufti. This may be traditional costume, a lei, flowers in your hair etc. All money raised will go to the Caritas Appeal for the poor and vulnerable people in the Pacific.

LITTLE ANGELS PLAYGROUP

Just a reminder that the little Angels Playgroup will be held in Room 12 on Friday 7th April from 1:45pm to 3:00pm. All parents and caregivers with preschool children are welcome to join us for a cuppa.

Sports News

JUNIOR NETBALL

A huge thank you to Ms Graham-Mika who gave of her time to co-ordinate the junior netball programme this Term. Also thank you to Neil Wong, Dorothy Bourke and Angela Kelly-Smith for all their assistance with coaching and helping out with the junior netball. A special thanks goes to our students who joined the individuals team to make up numbers so that others schools with insufficient players could play. We hope all players enjoyed the lessons and we look forward to starting up again in Term 4.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

The last day for Term 1 is Thursday 13th April as Good Friday is on Friday 14th April. School will finish at the usual time of 3:00pm. Term 2 starts on Monday 1st May.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

In Term 2 & 3 girls must wear their winter uniform of tunic, white polo shirt and maroon jersey with either white socks or navy blue stockings and black shoes. The tunics or senior girls skirts can be purchased from the warehouse in Lyall Bay. The senior girls blouses and boys shirts can be purchased through the school office. We also have new stock of school jackets for sale in the school office.

Thank You

The PSG would like to thank Tony and Angela Kelly-Smith and Natalie McKeown for all their help with the Sausage Sizzle before the Andrew Chinn Concert. Great news we sold every sausage and managed to raise \$262.00 so a big thank you everyone who purchased a sausage.

PSG NEWS

Movie Night Friday 7th April Moana – School Hall

This Friday (regardless of weather), from 5.00pm. Bring the whanau, your dinner, picnic blankets and something comfy to sit on. Movie starts at 6.00pm. There'll be popcorn, lots of yummy cake stall items, tea and coffee for sale and an on-night raffle. Remember to bring cash, no eftpos.

Bring filled water bottles for the children (Holy Cross is soft drink free, so no fizzy please).

If your child's class has been asked to bring baking, please drop it at the school office on Friday morning (everyone is welcome to bake – whether or not you've been asked to).

Easter Raffle



Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the raffle – the response so far has been wonderful (it's not too late to drop a gift into the office if you haven't done so already).

The raffle will be drawn next Wednesday, so ensure you return your pink tickets (please do not cut up the ticket sheet) – sold or unsold – and the money to the office by Monday 10 April.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Entertainment books offer savings all around Wellington at many cafes, restaurants, activities, and sporting events. Available in both book and digital format, great value at \$65 each for the Wellington book. Order yours online now: <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/943q153> Or, if you would prefer to pay cash, pop into the school office. Pre-orders are being taken now, with hard copy books available at the end of April. Great gifts for Mother's Day or for Grandparents. Every sale benefits the school.

SKIDS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

The Skids Holiday Programme will be running during the school holidays from Tuesday 18th April to Friday 28th April (excluding ANZAC Day). They have a programmed designed full of fun activities and excursions. The programme runs from 8:00am to 6:00pm. Cost is \$45.00 for a whole day, \$55.00 for a Trip Day, \$25 for half day, \$35.00 for a short day 8:00am – 3:00pm. Copies of the planned activities is available at the school office.