



Term 1 Week 6 Newsletter

Catholic Character: In this Sunday's Gospel we will hear that God loved the world so much that he gave us Jesus to **show us how to live and to help bring us closer to God**. Let's reflect and discuss the following questions- How do you know God loves you? How do you know when someone loves you? Think about two people who love you? And two people that you love? How should we treat someone that we love?

God does not just love a few special people, God loves everybody. God loves all people whether they are rich or poor, no matter where they live or where they come from, no matter whether they are healthy or ill. We are all part of God's global family.

God asks us to share this love and to also care for others no matter who they are or where in the world they live. God calls us to care for our global family and to share generously with them all that we have been given. When we do this we are sharing God's love.

Important Dates

Thursday 8th March
Year 7/8 Beach Cleanup
Miramar Wharf /
Community Library Visit

Monday 12th March
Rain Day for Beach
Cleanup

Thursday 15th March
Year 4-8 Learning
Conferences
**School finishes at 2:30pm
for all students**

Thursday 22nd March
Learning Conferences
**School finishes at 2:30pm
for all students**

Friday 23rd March
School Assembly 11:30am

Rhian: Head Chef - Garden to Table

Home Garden: We only have a small garden and are planting a sunflower.

Kitchen Information: I have learnt that if you don't want your fruit to go brown you can squeeze lemon juice on it.

Garden Information: When you are harvesting zucchini you have to break it off with a little bit of the stem so that it won't rot.

My favourite GTT dish: The one we made today Apple and Pear Crumble.

My favourite food to eat is: Mango Sago which is a Mango dessert from the Philippines.



BOOK YOUR LEARNING CONFERENCE TIME

LEARNING CONFERENCES for Year 4-8 students are being held on **Thursday 15th March** and on **Thursday 22nd March** to book go to the www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and type in the code **wck6j** to book an interview with your child's teacher. If you are unable to go online please come into the school office we can do this for you.

Reminder: All students will **finish school at 2.30pm** on **both Thursday 15th March and Thursday 22nd March**.

Year 0 – Year 3: If your child is in year 0 -3 your teacher will contact you to book a meeting in line with your child's anniversary reporting.



A big Happy Birthday to:
Anastasia Graham on 4th
March. Joseph Talia and
Nalika Desai on 11th March,
Mia Chlebowicz on 12th
March and Johnathan Vink
on 13th March



Congratulations to Sarkis Issac and his family who welcomed baby Miriam born on Census Day into to their family. Sarkis says she makes him laugh.

SPORTS NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Alex Smith and Max Reynolds (Y7s) who won medals at the Surf Life Saving Nationals at Orewa Beach in Auckland last week. Alex gained a silver medal in the U11 beach flags event and Max a bronze in the U12 sprints. Well done to you both.

Max also gained a first place overall for U12 boys in the Capital Coast regional competition 2017/18 season.

Future Ferns Netball

Congratulations to the Year 3/4 team who won their game on Saturday well done.



Just a reminder that those of you who have not yet paid your netball fees you need to do so before this Saturday.

A practice is held on the courts on Thursday afternoons from 3:00pm - 3:45pm for ONLY those registered players. We ask that parents attend these practices and supervise any siblings.

Parents' Support Group Update

Easter Raffle

We are repeating our successful and popular Easter raffle. We would love it if each family could please donate an item(s) for the hamper prizes. Examples of raffle items include Easter goodies (eg. Whittakers, Cadbury, Lindt chocolate/eggs etc), plunger coffee, a small supermarket voucher, or a 'treat' non-perishable food item etc. A sheet of raffle tickets with details has been sent home with your child today. Thank you for your support.

International Food Fair – Save the date!

We are very excited to be celebrating the cultural diversity of our school with an International Food Fair, to be held on **Friday 26 November**. We'll be raising money to beautify our outdoor areas and to provide shade cover for the children. We look forward to all families being involved and will provide updates regularly. If you are keen to help in any way, please email psg@hcm.school.nz or let the office know and we'll be in touch.

Annual General Meeting

The PSG AGM was held on Monday night. Thank you to everyone who attended, to our existing members for all their hard work and a warm welcome to new members. This year's officers are:

Chair: Marija Vidovich (Matai's mum)
Treasurer: Natalie McKeown (Elijah's mum)
Secretary: Sarah Sinnot (Marlon's mum)

New members welcome at any time.

Students Hairstyles Reminder

We have noticed that some students are having the sides of their hair shaved and would like to remind students and parents of the guidelines around hair styles.

Our guideline state that students are not to come to school with dyed hair, with patterns cut in to their hair or significant undercuts.

Hair that is shoulder length or longer must be tied up - with navy or black hair ties. We have hair ties available in the school office.

We appreciate your cooperation and support in ensuring Holy Cross School students reflect the expectations of our school.

SCHOOL JACKETS:

With today's cooler, rainy weather, we want to remind students that we sell school jackets at the office for \$65.00 each. NOTE: School jackets only to be worn. These jackets have been specially designed for Holy Cross School, they are of excellent quality and include a safety reflective strip.