



Term 1 Week 8 Newsletter

Catholic Character

Easter is only two weeks away. We have much to prepare! Below are the times of the Holy Week services so please tell your family that way we can all prepare together.

In today's reading Jesus uses a symbol to help his followers prepare for his coming death. This symbol offers a message about our lives, too. It tells us that things are not always what they seem. Things that look like death may really be the only way for new life to begin.

What are other symbols of life that come from something that looks dead? What are some symbols of new life that I can bring into my home to help prepare for Easter?

EASTER SERVICE TIMETABLE:

Parish Lenten Reconciliation:

Wednesday 28th March

St Patrick's: 7pm Holy

Thursday: 29th March (no morning Mass at any Church)

St Patrick's: 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday: 30th March St Patrick's: 10am Stations of the Cross from St Patrick's Church to All Saints, Hataitai St Anthony's: 10am Way of the Cross starts and finishes at St Anthony's Holy Cross: 2.30pm (weather permitting) Way of the Cross from Wexford Hill to Holy Cross Church 3pm Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion at all 3 churches

Saturday Easter Vigil: 31st March St Patrick's: 8.30pm - Please bring your own candle and ensure it has a protector to prevent wax falling on your hands, clothing or the floor.

Easter Sunday: 1st April Holy Cross: 9am St Patrick's: 10am St Anthony's: 10.30am



Important Dates

Friday 23rd March

School Assembly 11:30am

Thursday 29th March

Easter School Liturgy

Tuesday 3rd April

Good Friday NO SCHOOL

Thursday 5th April

Learning Conferences
School finishes at 2:30pm
for all students

Friday 13th April

End of Term 1 - School
holidays

Monday 30th April

Term 2 begins



A big Happy Birthday to:
Dhara on Friday 23rd
March, Ashwrina and
Maria P on Sunday 25th
March.

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 3rd April - NO SCHOOL - Easter Tuesday

Thursday 5th April - SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2:30pm for Parent-Child-Teacher conferences

Friday 13th April - END OF TERM 1

Monday 30th April - START OF TERM 2

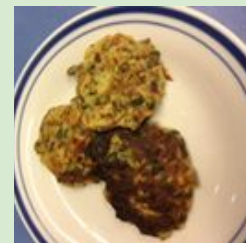
Just a reminder if your child is in Year 4-8 and you have not yet booked your meeting with the classroom teacher there are still some time slots available on Thursday 5th April please go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and type in the code **wck6j**.

Laura Head Chef - Garden to Table

Today's recipe - Zucchini Fritters

Home Garden: Laura we have a garden and we get lots and lots of small cherry tomatoes. We also have some swan plants but this year we didn't get any caterpillars.

Kitchen Information: Laura: When you grate zucchini you put wrap it in a tea towel and squeeze it to get rid of the extra moisture so it doesn't burn when it is in the pan.



Garden Information:: I have learnt about cottodon which is the first leaves of a plant but once the plant has grown these fall off because they are not needed any more.

My favourite GTT dish: Zucchini spaghetti and pesto sauce that we made last year.

My favourite food is Sushi and Lasagne

PLAY - EAT - LEARN

Every student has been given a TIPS sheet to provide information to families about the change to the time students will be eating their lunch a move from 12:30pm to 1:10pm. Please work through this TIPS sheet with your child, sign and return it to the classroom teacher no later than **Wednesday 4th April**.



Parents' Support Group Update

Easter Raffle Reminder

There is still time to sell tickets (ticket sheets available at the office) and pop a gift item into the office. The deadline for all tickets, money and gifts is now **MONDAY 26th March**. If possible though, please try to get them in this week.

A big thank you from the PSG to everyone who has returned their raffle tickets and contributed items for the hampers. The draw takes place on **Wednesday 28th March**.

International Food Fair

Mark the date in your diary – **FRIDAY 26 OCTOBER**. There will be an opportunity for everyone to be involved and we happily welcome extra hands. More details to follow.

Entertainment Books

We are selling Entertainment Books again this year. They are a good fundraiser and make a fantastic gift (eg. Mother's Day is coming up and you can buy them for cities around New Zealand and Australia). You can pre-order your 2018/19 book now through this link:

www.entbook.co.nz/943q153. If you would like a poster for your workplace to encourage your colleagues to buy through our link, please email us psg@hcm.school.nz.