



Term 2 Week 2 Newsletter

Catholic Character: Ascension of Jesus: The Gospel reading this coming Sunday tells us that before Jesus left the disciples to be with God, his Father in heaven, he gave them a job to do, "Go and preach the good news to everyone in the world." This command was accompanied by the promise that Jesus would be with them always.

We too are called to be followers of Jesus; we are invited to live the Values that Jesus modelled in his daily life. Through our actions we can help others come to know God. Throughout the coming week let's be deliberate in seeking ways to show loving kindness toward others.

Mother's Day: This coming Sunday we also celebrate Mother's Day which links beautifully to the Gospel message. So let's all think of one or two acts of kindness that we know will mean a lot to our Mothers. Some of the ideas that have been shared with me are: making a card and writing all of the things we love about our Mothers; making a special piece of art such as a painting of our Mothers; giving our mums a day off all the things they do for us- letting them relax and tell them all the things we appreciate.

Mother's Day is an occasion to celebrate all the women in our lives: Happy Mother's Day to all of our wonderful mothers and mother figures- may God bless you all.

13th International Documentary Film Festival -Opening Night

Tonight we are honoured to again be supporting at the Opening Night of the Doc Edge Film Festival. Our cultural group, with over sixty students, will be providing a warm welcome to all those attending the opening night. Thanks to Nik Solia and Matua Tala for the effort they have put into preparing our students; to the teachers for rearranging their programmes to make practices possible, to our parents Nicky Birch, who will perform the karanga and Derek Kawiti who will kōrero, on our behalf.

A huge thank you to, and acknowledgement of, our students for sharing their gifts and talents with the wider community.

LIBRARY NEWS:

We have had a re-organisation of the library this term and our non-fiction collection is now more accessible for students to browse. Thank you to all the student librarians who worked so hard to help this happen.

Lucky Book club orders are due in on Wednesday 16th of May. You can order on-line at <http://www.scholastic.co.nz/parents/lucky-book-club/> or return your order slip and payment to the office.

The library will not be open after school this Thursday as I have a meeting but it will open until 3.30, as usual, next week.

Important Dates

Wednesday 9 May:
Powhiri for opening of Doc Edge Film Festival

Friday 11th May:
Term 2 Powhiri

Monday 14 May:
School Cross Country

Wednesday 16th May:
Eastern Zone Netball Years 5-8

Thursday 17th May:
Board of Trustees Meeting

Thursday 24th May:
St Pat's College Taster Day

Friday 25th May:
Little Angels Playgroup

Wednesday 30 May:
Eastern Zone Cross Country

Friday 1st June:
NO SCHOOL - Teacher Only Day

Monday 3rd June:
NO SCHOOL - Queens Birthday



A big Happy Birthday to:
Jessica and Angelfaga on Friday 11 May and Shaan on Tuesday 15th May,



A very warm welcome to Daniel Morales and his family who have joined our Holy Cross School community this week

GARDEN TO TABLE

Our students in Rooms 3, 5 & 6 having been enjoying harvesting all kinds of vegetables from our garden and are now preparing it for the winter season. They have also been in the kitchen creating some absolutely delicious recipes. These learning experiences are made possible by the dedication and hard work of Kelly-Anne our Garden Coordinator and Olivia Boyd our Kitchen Coordinator- supported by a number of wonderful volunteers. We do need more volunteers so if you have a couple of hours free on a Wednesday morning (it doesn't need to be every week) and could come along to help out in the garden or the kitchen it would be greatly appreciated. please provide the school office with your details.



TERM 2 POWHIRI

We warmly invite all current families to join us for the our Term 2 Pōwhiri on **Friday 11th May at 9:15am** in the Hall to welcome and show our support for all our new students and their families.

SPORTS NEWS

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY:

On **Monday 14th May** we will be holding the **School Cross Country at 1:30pm** - we invite all parents to come along to support and cheer on the students. Also we would **appreciate parent volunteers to assist with getting the students safely across the roads**. We will publish the results in next week's newsletter. Those who placed will go to the Eastern Zone Cross Country on Wednesday 30th May.



HOCKEY

All classes will start hockey lessons again next week on either a Thursday or Friday. Lessons are 30 minutes long and will be held on the courts or in the hall if wet. Students please remember to bring your PE top and shorts and running shoes. **All equipment is provided and tuition costs are met through our Kiwisport allocation, so there is no charge for this input.**

EASTERN ZONE NETBALL TOURNAMENT

On Wednesday 16th May the netball teams will be travelling by bus departing at 9:15am to attend the Eastern Zone Netball Tournament being held at the ASB Sports Centre. Please ensure you return the permission slip to Matua Tala as soon as possible. Students will return to school by 2:45pm.

NETBALL

The netball season kicks off on Saturday outlined below is the **draw for Saturday 12th May** at the EBIS Courts:

Y7/Y8A - **Holy Cross Superstars** vs SFDS Rockets on Court 1 @ 9:00am

Y7/Y8D - **Holy Cross Diamonds** vs Sacred Heart Jade on Court 7 @ 9:50am

Y5/Y6B - **Holy Cross Warriors** vs Island Bay Mōa on Court 1 @ 1:10pm

Y5/Y6D - **Holy Cross Rockets** vs St Pats Lightening on Court 7 @ 1:10pm



If you have not yet paid your \$45 please do so before Saturday.