



# Term 2 Week 2 Newsletter

## Catholic Character: Pentecost Sunday

The readings this Sunday we talk about the power of the Holy Spirit. We will hear how the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit and how this gave them the courage to go out and tell everyone about Jesus.

The Holy Spirit is like the wind. We can't see the wind, but we can certainly feel it on a windy day.. The wind can be very strong and powerful. Just like the wind, we can see the effects of the Holy Spirit in our world.

The Holy Spirit can work through us when we are kind to our family and friends, when we think about other people around the world, and when we work for people who are in need. The Holy Spirit can also give us courage to speak out, just like the disciples in Sunday's Bible readings.

Throughout the coming week let us all deliberate in the choices we make, let's allow the Holy Spirit guide us in our actions so that our families, our friends and our world are impacted positively.

**Sabbatical Award:** Each year the Ministry of Education provide one hundred Sabbatical Awards to Primary School Principals throughout NZ. I am delighted to have been awarded a 10 week sabbatical for Term 3 2018.

During my time away I plan to visit schools in NZ and Australia, schools that are implementing positive psychology, Growth Mindset strategies and programmes. I will then to see how these fit with our Holy Cross journey. I look forward to sharing further information my proposal and of course my time away.

In my absence Susie Sumner will step into the Acting Principal role. I know Susie will fulfil this role extremely well. Mrs Julianne Stroombergen will teach in Room 12 for Term 3.

## Celebrating Diversity- Promoting Excellence

Last Wednesday sixty students from Holy Cross provided a very special cultural experience for the many guests, including overseas visitors, attending the opening of the 13th International Doc Edge Film Festival at the Roxy Cinema. We feel incredibly proud of our students for the manner in which they shared their gifts and talents. We acknowledge too the support and expertise of their teachers and whanau.

Following the opening night students in Years 5-8 were able to attend four powerful documentaries, linked to their classroom programmes. These world class documentaries are made available free of charge to schools. We thank Dan, Alex, Nicky, Janet, Morgan, Louise and all the Doc Edge team for including us in this incredible event! We truly value our association with you.



## Important Dates

### Thursday 17th May:

Board of Trustees Meeting

### Tuesday 22nd May:

Vision and Hearing Y7 &NE

### Thursday 24th May:

St Pat's College Taster Day

### Friday 25th May:

Little Angels Playgroup

### Monday 28th May:

PSG Meeting

### Wednesday 30 May:

Eastern Zone Cross Country

### Friday 1st June:

NO SCHOOL - Teacher Only Day

### Monday 3rd June:

NO SCHOOL - Queens Birthday

### Friday 8th June:

Last Day for Photo Orders



A big Happy Birthday to:  
Shaan on Tuesday 15th May,  
Lauseana on Sunday 20th  
May, Devek on Monday 21st  
May, Melisa on Wednesday  
23rd May.



Congratulations to Miss Michaela Jensen and Ms Ashleigh Jackson who are celebrating their Graduation today with their family and friends. We wish them all the best and are delighted to have such talented teachers as part of our learning community.

## GARDEN TO TABLE Head Chef - Cooper - Silverbeet Rolls

Today we made delicious Lebanese silverbeet rolls with Mrs Clarke and Aleece Hunter.

**Home Garden: Cooper:** At home we have a nectarine tree when they are ripe we try to climb to the top to pick the nectarines. We don't have a vegetable garden but do have some flowers, but they have died off for the winter now.

**Kitchen Information: Cooper:** I have learnt that you really need to listen to instructions so that the recipe turns out properly and so that you don't hurt yourself with the knife.

**Garden Information: Cooper:** I have learnt that you need to care for the garden by watering it, put on compost so that the vegetables grow big. Vegetables need sun to help them grow and have good colour.



# SPORTS NEWS

## EASTERN ZONE NETBALL

Today approximately 50 Holy Cross School students participated in the Eastern Zone Netball Tournament at the ASB Sports Centre they had a great day, played hard and represented Holy Cross school with pride.



## NETBALL

The netball draw for **Saturday 19th May** at the EBIS Courts:

Y7/Y8A - **Holy Cross Superstars** vs Seatoun Swifts @ 9:00am on court 2

Y7/Y8D - **Holy Cross Diamonds** vs SWIS Sharks @ 9:50 on court 7

Y5/Y6B - **Holy Cross Warriors** vs St Annes Sapphires @ 12:20 on Court 8

Y5/Y6D - **Holy Cross Rockets** vs Kahurangi Taupau @ 1:10pm on Court 6



## HOLY CROSS CROSS COUNTRY

Weather permitting the Holy Cross School Cross Country is scheduled for **1:15pm on Monday 21st May**. Please ensure that all students bring their PE gear and running shoes.

We encourage parents to come along to support the children and we also are still looking for parent volunteers to assist with marshalling students across the streets. If you are available to assist with this please let your child's teacher know.

## BASKETBALL

Just a reminder that all Basketball and Miniball Draws are published <https://www.wellingtonbasketball.co.nz/> Then click Basketball Leagues then Draws/Results scroll down to the day your team plays.