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Term 2 Week 4 Newsletter 2021

Principal's Message

The Gifts That Surround Us- My Story, Our Story, The Story

At our term 2 pōwhiri I spoke of the wonderful stories we hear of inspirational people both in New Zealand and overseas. These people have much to teach us.

I reflected on the importance of also recognising inspirational people in our midst. I told the story of one of our families and the way they have 'embraced' a very challenging situation. The way they have supported one another, lived their deep faith, shared their joy in life and appreciation of what they have - not what they have lost. They are truly inspirational.

Rest in Peace Mrs Clarke: Yesterday morning we heard the sad news that Mrs Patricia Clarke had passed away. Mrs Clarke was a valued member of our community for over twenty years, working as a librarian and member of the support staff team.

Patricia was a person of deep faith, who absolutely lived the Gospel Values. We were blessed to have her as part of our school community for so many precious years.

On the weekend a small group of staff, students (current and past) and parents made a recording for Patricia of a waiata and song she loved. We shared this on behalf of our community and she was deeply touched. Please keep Patricia and the Clarke family in your prayers. Rest in Peace Patricia.

The rosary for Patricia will be held on Sunday 30th May at 7pm Holy Cross Church and her funeral will be held on Monday 31st May at 10.30am Holy Cross Church.

Catholic Character - Trinity Sunday

'I will be with you always'

Deuteronomy 4:39-40 Psalm 33 Romans 8:14-17 Matthew 28:16-20

This Sunday is Trinity Sunday; the readings for the day gives us insight into the mystery of God. God shares life with us through the three persons of the Holy Trinity.

We share the love of God, the goodness of Jesus the Son and the friendship of the Holy Spirit

In the gospel reading we will hear how Jesus sent out his disciples to spread his word. And Jesus tells us that he will always be with us.

St Francis of Assisi said, "Preach the gospel at all times, and when necessary use words." - Discuss with your family what these words mean?

We invite you to consider- What can you do this week to share Jesus's word with others through your actions?

Prayers for the week ahead-

We invite you to pray for world leaders: that they may treat their people fairly and do all that they can to bring an end to war and poverty.

We invite you to pray for our neighbours, both local and around the world: that they may see by our actions that we care for and respect them, and that they too may reach out to their neighbours, in an unending circle of love.

We invite you to pray for our Holy Trinity parish, family and friends: that we may be inspired to show our love for God and our neighbours throughout the world in all that we do. ...

Christ Jesus, you are always with us. May we show love for our neighbour, treating all people as we would wish to be treated. And through what we do, may others see that we believe in you. Amen.

Teacher only day Friday 4th June - start of Queens birthday long weekend - no school Monday 7th June



RED opera (Room 3,5,6)

Red!, A Children's Opera by Lucy Mulgan

'... the story of Little Red Riding Hood and has been developed to address relevant issues facing children today - such as bullying, gaining independence, and establishing identity - using common sense, and the power of inter-generational relationships.'

We are excited to let you know that Rooms 3,5 and 6 students are responding well to the weekly workshops with Orchestra Wellington and NZ Opera in preparation for their performance of RED on Thursday, 24th June at The Opera House.

Tickets will be on sale next week for \$6.00 each at the school office. If you wish to attend the show, please write your child's name on an envelope with the required number of tickets and correct amount enclosed.

Please support our students by purchasing tickets and bringing your whanau along. Everyone is welcome!

Parent information evening

The Kāhui Ako group have secured Samuel Marsden auditorium for this interesting and informative event for parents.

The auditorium can seat up to 500 people so there should be plenty of space available for all parents to attend. The entry fee for parents will simply be a gold coin donation for the Home of Compassion Soup kitchen.

We will also receive a link to the documentary after the event that we can share with you however if you can attend we think it will be well worth it, as we all learn techniques to help keep our children safe online.

Pink Shirt cross country run day

Pink Shirt Day

What an AMAZING effort and sweat went into making this a memorable day!

So many students from Year 4-8 participated in running the cross country run of 1400m all the way to 2600m. Fantastic!

After the runs, the rest of the school got involved by running, jumping, crawling through an obstacle course, dancing, drawing with chalk and kicking around some sports equipment.

Our tamariki showed the Holy Cross Way in so many ways. Every time a teacher observed them saying 'yes' to participating, or kindly cheering someone on, they received house points. By the end of the day, the 4 houses had earned more than 1000 points collectively so they were rewarded with a well-deserved ice block.

We are all so proud of our tamariki. We also thank all of our whanau who came to cheer and support as well!

Congratulations to the following students who will go through to the Eastern zone cross country event at Scots College on Wednesday 2nd June 2021. Keep running !

Flynn, Cahal, Ninor, Baxter, Kena, Angelina, Mason, Jonathan, Rory, Charles, Toby, Marlon, Parina, Valentina, Meisha, Mia, Saiint, Finn, Matilda, Maitri, Elaiza, Zoe, Jamie, Darragh, Cooper, Jack, Lachlan, Ethan, Shalom, Nu Tha, Ashley, Jayden, Albert, Nafira, Shiv, Kaci, TSION.

OUR KIDS ONLINE
PORN, PREDATORS, AND HOW TO KEEP THEM SAFE
A documentary by Hazardous Journey Productions
www.ourkidsonline.info

Wellington Catholic Kāhui Ako presents
An Online Safety Information Presentation
With Rob & Zareen Cope - Parents & Filmmakers

TUESDAY 8TH JUNE 2021 | 7PM - 8.30PM
SAMUEL MARSDEN COLLEGIATE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM,
MARSDEN AVENUE, KARORI

ENTRY BY GOLD COIN DONATION FOR THE WELLINGTON SOUP KITCHEN

- Understand the harms our kids are facing online in relation to pornography, predators, social media access and the 24/7 switched on effect .
- Learn practical solutions to keep your children safer online.
- Get advice on healthy ways to approach these tricky topics.
- Learn what to do when your child has been exposed to something harmful.
- This talk also includes an online safety plan tailored to suit your family's needs.

To find out more about Rob & Zareen's work visit www.ourkidsonline.info



If you get a new wooden chopping board you should oil it, because that stops the wood from breaking down. Traditionally the best time to plant garlic is on 21st June (Winter solstice) the shortest day of the year and the best day to harvest is on 22nd December (longest day of the year). CHEF OF THE DAY Sainnt tells us:
To make good pumpkin soup
I cut the rosemary into small pieces, and the rosemary was tipped into the bread dough. I stirred the pumpkin soup.



SchoolDocs

Netball Tournament at ASB

Congratulations to the netball teams for all of their enthusiasm and hard work at the eastern zone tournament held at the ASB centre last week.

Although our main goal for the tournament was to gain experience playing together and to meet others in our zone, we did have some winners come out of the games.

Both the Year 7/8 girls and 7/8 mixed team came in as the winners on their court. Well done!



The policies for review in term 2 are : Protected Disclosure, Reporting to parents on student progress and Visitors.

Parent feedback is welcomed on the following policy : Reporting to Parents on student progress and achievement and can be done by:

1. Visit the website <https://hcm.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
2. Enter the username (hcm) and password (schooldocs).
3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
4. Read the policy.
5. Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
6. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
7. Enter your name (optional).
8. Submit your ratings and comments.
9. If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.

Garden to Table



GARDENER OF THE DAY - Meela tells us:
Tips of the day

Happy Birthday



Happy Birthday and best

wishes to Kahmaia, Lauseana, Sharvil, Tilomai, Hosanna, Mikey, Noah, Nise, Matilda, and Selena We hope you have a special birthday!

Community News



St Catherine's College - Kilbirnie

OPEN NIGHT
WEDNESDAY 9TH JUNE
6:00PM - 8:00PM

14 UPPER BOURKE STREET
KILBIRNIE
WELLINGTON
www.stcatherinescollege.school.nz

TE KĀRETI O HĀTA
KATARAINA

A musical evening with Fr Chris Skinner, supported by St Catherine's College students, at 7pm on Sunday 27 June at St Joseph's Church, Ellice St, Mt Victoria. \$20 cash at door or go on line to TryBooking www.trybooking.co.nz/HKO Booking fee is 30 cents. Fr Chris's cds will be available to purchase www.chrisskinner.org.nz