



Term 2 Week 6 Newsletter

CATHOLIC CHARACTER

This coming Sunday is the day of the Holy Spirit. It is called the *Feast of Pentecost*. Pentecost means 50 in Greek, as the Holy Spirit came to the disciples 50 days after Easter.

“We hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues.”

One of the joys of teaching is watching children communicate, embracing any challenges or barriers to learning. Somehow children unite and share their message through a common understanding of the task at hand and the typical behaviours associated with the task. The sharing of the task brings a relationship that transcends the need to communicate in the same language.

We are told that on Pentecost day everyone understood the apostles. It wasn't that they spoke a completely new language, it was that they drew on a common language that is familiar to us all. It was the language of love, joy, hope, peace, collaboration and forgiveness. It is the language that comes with unity.

This language of unity was most recently recognisable in the Christchurch tragedy. Our nation was deeply moved by the Spirit at work among people who shared a common challenge and 'recognised' that they shared the same language.

The goal of Christian spirituality is to recognise and respond to the continual interior movements of the Spirit, for the Spirit will always lead us toward greater union with Christ and greater love and service of God and others. —Richard Hauser

Health and Physical Education Consultation

Thank you to all those families who have completed our Health and Physical Education Consultation. We have had a positive response, with over forty families completing the questions on-line and many completing the paper version. We will not close the questionnaire until early next week- and will make the prize draw on Wednesday 12 June, so it's not too late.

To access the online consultation form you can visit the school website or type in this link - bit.ly/HCHHealthPE

Reminder: if you have any questions about, or suggestions for, our Health and PE programmes we invite you speak with your child's teacher or come in to see Celeste. We welcome your input.

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL APP

We now have our new Mobile App up and running for important school messages and alerts. To download the app click this link.

<https://holycross.apps.school.nz/share/> - You will then be asked to download the SchoolAppsNZ and find Holy Cross School. From there you will be able to select the classes and sports groups you want to receive notifications from. This app will also allow you to access the School Calendar, Newsletters, Notices, Important dates and notify the office of absences.



Important Dates

Sunday 9 June

Confirmation 10am St Patrick's Church, Kilbirnie

Monday 10th June 6.30-8.00pm

St Catherine's College Open Evening

Eastern Zone Cross Country to be held at Scots College

Thursday 13th June 9.00am

St Mary's College Open Day

Friday 14th June

Rooms 3, 5 & 6 class trip to Te Taiao at Te Papa

Thursday 20th June 6.00pm

BOT meeting

Sunday 23rd June 10.00 am

St Patrick's College Hall

Holy Trinity Parish Mass

Friday 5th July

Last day of Term 2

Newsletters are available on our website and our new schoolapp hcm.school.nz

PRAYERS

We ask that you keep in your thoughts and prayers Langi Paasi, a valued and loved member of our community. We pray that Langi be restored to good health and that she and her family be truly blessed at this difficult time.



Hunter and Jayden hope you have a special birthday

GARDEN TO TABLE

GROW, HARVEST, PREPARE, SHARE



In the kitchen this week we made lentil, potato and garden greens soup. We sliced the onions and potatoes and our eyes were burning with tears from the onion. We also cut garlic for flavour. Next we cut silverbeet, parsley and sage. We added the stalks of the silverbeet because they had pretty colours. We also cut up food for our worms.

Georgette - Rm 5

In the garden today, we were turning the soil over to give it more oxygen. We also did some weeding so the weeds don't take nutrients from our vegetables. While we were weeding we found two mice in the garden. We were also learning about 'Be with a tree' and putting soil on the plants so they can grow.

Jayde - Rm 5



Talofa lava, last week we celebrated Samoan language week. Weeks such as this help us to learn more about different languages. Tineia proudly brought in a selection of her Samoan clothes to share with her class. She talked about the beautiful patterns and what they represent.

See if you can learn to count to ten in Samoan:
Tasi lua tolu fā lima ono fitu valu iva sefulu

You will also have noticed the Samoan flag flying on the flagpole. We invite you to find out all you can about the flag.



Be with a Tree week



31 May–9 June 2019
10 Days, 10 Tree Challenges...interested ?
Check out the website : KCC.ORG.NZ/KCC-REPORTERS | #bewithatree

St Catherine's College

Monday 10th June - 6:30pm - 8pm
OPEN EVENING

14 Upper Bourke Street
Kilbirnie
Wellington
Phone: 04 9399988
Website: www.stcatherinescollege.school.nz

Parent Support Group

Get your Entertainment Book now!

The 2019/2020 Entertainment Books kick in next week and are packed full of dining, activity, shopping and travel discounts, plus much more.

Buy one today at by using the link on the school website <https://www.hcm.school.nz/>

Netball

Draw 8th June 2019

- 09.00 am Holy Cross Comets Vs SWIS Panthers
- 10.40 am Holy Cross Rockets Vs Mt Cook Shooting Stars
- 10.40 am Holy Cross Starz Vs St Mark's Sapphires
- 11.30 am Holy Cross Tuis Vs Newtown Hurricanes
- 11.30 am Holy Cross Kiwis Vs Hataitai Honeybees

