



# Term 3 Newsletter 2019

Welcome back to a term that we know will continue to be filled with great learning.

**CATHOLIC CHARACTER:** In the gospel reading this Sunday we will hear how Jesus teaches his disciples a very special prayer. A prayer that we still say today, the prayer is often called the “Lord’s prayer”, because it is the prayer that Jesus, Our Lord, taught us. It is a prayer that we say every time we go to Mass. We say it at school. And we might even say it at home. Sometimes when we know something really well, we don’t really think about the words that we are saying. We forget that this is our way of talking to God, and that the words are special. We invite you this week to think about and discuss the meaning of the words in the Lord’s prayer, the Our Father; **what is it they invite us to do?** In next week’s newsletter we will share our reflection on this.

## Report Follow up Years 4-8.

At the end of last term students in Years 4-8 received their mid year report. As you know, this report is their main written report for the year, with follow up report on goals set and achievements in Term 4. This structure reflects our commitment to providing students and their whānau with **timely** feedback and ideas for strengthening and developing learning.

Please take the time to read and celebrate your child’s achievements, discuss and act upon the suggestions made. Don’t be limited by what we have recorded and please speak to us if there is anything you are unsure of or would like more help with. This coming Tuesday, 30 July, the teachers are available for you to discuss any questions or ideas you might have, please contact the Office if you would like to book a time. We value your input and questions at any time, teachers will always be willing to organise a time to meet and discuss progress and achievement with you.

**Thank you** for the amazing support for the Year 7/8 Camp Raffle. A reminder to please return any unsold raffle booklets to the office as these can be given to Year 7/8 students to sell. If your family has sold a raffle booklet then you also go into the draw to win a 'Magic Bullet' blender!



WELCOME



A very warm welcome to 3 new students and their families who have joined our Holy Cross School community this week, Arnav Jagat, Alicia Lee and Mange McLeod.

We hope you have enjoyed your first week at Holy Cross School and made lots of new friends.

## FEEL



## IMAGINE



## DO



## SHARE





# Marcellin Syndicate Page



We will be starting the term off in week 1 with a visit from Constable Aaron Dann in Rooms 7, 8 and 11. Constable Aaron is our Community Policeman and he will be helping the children to review the Keeping Ourselves Safe topic. In term 3 we are building on our learning about Citizenship and taking more small actions to make a big difference in our world. Talking to your child about their learning and sharing the stories they have created in class will help them to use the new language and concepts they have learnt. Use the question prompts below to start talking about the Think, Talk and Create topics for this term. Each class will learn about each topic for 2 weeks. If you have any resources or ideas to support the learning please let your class teacher know.

## Dinosaurs

Dinosaurs became extinct a long time ago. We can find out about dinosaurs from fossils. Dinosaur fossils have been found in New Zealand. What animals that live in New Zealand today look a bit like dinosaurs? How can we protect them from extinction?



## Recycling

In school we are going to be looking at the waste we have and what we can do to reduce it. How do you recycle, reuse or reduce the waste in your house? What signs and labels on packaging that will help you to do this?



## Cleaning

When we keep our school clean we help to look after our community. We can use machines and cleaning products that keep our environment healthy. What do you use to clean your home? How can everyone in the family help to keep your home clean and healthy?



## Go All Blacks!

The All Blacks have to work hard together and make lots of healthy choices in their daily lives. What fun games do you like to play as a family? How can healthy choices in your lunch box keep you working and playing as hard as an All Black?



The students in years 0-3 have **Anniversary Reports** until they have been at school for the equivalent of 120 weeks. Your class teacher will contact you close to each anniversary to celebrate achievements and plan for the next learning goals. If you have any questions, please contact your class teacher.

**Please support your child for learning each day by checking they have packed their school jacket, sports shirt, a healthy lunchbox and their reading folder. We look forward to sharing our learning in Term 3.**

# GARDEN TO TABLE



GROW,  
HARVEST,  
PREPARE,  
SHARE

## Volunteers - We want you!

Our Garden to Table continues to grow from strength to strength teaching our children how to grow and harvest produce grown in the school garden to then be prepared and shared in the school kitchen.

For this to be successful, we need you! This project relies on the support of volunteers to work with children in the garden and kitchen, sharing their experience, enthusiasm and knowledge. You don't have to be an expert! Our Garden and Kitchen Specialists are always on hand to provide expert advice and oversee the sessions. You just need to be interested in helping children learn about growing food, cooking and sharing food, and enjoy working with children.

Contact the school office for more information or to arrange to see a session in action.

Congratulations to **Tsion Medhane** and **Rebecca Zhu** who have been

selected to represent Holy Cross School at the Root to Tip Competition next week! We know you will do us proud!



## STEAM Afternoons

*Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics*

Tuesday afternoons have proven to be a wonderful time of enrichment for our students and this term makes no exception.

From 1:30 - 2:15 pm, students will have the option of

- rehearsing for **Artsplash Dance** OR
- **Art Activities** with a conservation theme

From 2:20 - 3:00pm students will have the options of

- Rehearsing for **Artsplash Choir**
- **Classroom Music** Activities.

We are delighted that Joakim is returning to work with a small group of students during this time for **Predator Free** Miramar.

This term, we are one of a select few schools in Wellington that is part of the **Waste Minimisation Programme** being run by the Wellington City Council.

Students will have the opportunity to work with expert educators who will be supporting whole school projects that support the work we are doing in the Garden to Table programme. There will be a free trip to the landfill and OJI recycling centre and we look forward to parents and caregivers joining us for this excursion. There will also be an inspiring performance from Ngake and Whataitai with costumes from the people who made *Mortal Engines* where students will learn about the impact we have had on the environment.



## Reminders

Students will be engaged in **Garden to Table** activities **every Tuesday**. Students are required to wear PE gear and must have closed in shoes.

Students are required to bring their **PE gear** every **Tuesday, Wednesday** and **Thursday** so they can participate comfortably in fitness training.

# Rooms 1 & 2



Welcome back! I hope you have had a wonderful break with your tamariki. We have had a fantastic break and we look forward to another exciting term of learning. Our theme for Term 3 (coinciding with Citizenship) is Keeping the faith. Our students will be asked to take a 'leap of faith', taking risks in particular learning areas.

We will begin the term with an introduction to 'Kia kaha'-to be strong. Students will explore how they can be positive role models and how they can support others in a positive manner. They will also explore the science aspect of the natural world and how we can be kaitiakitanga for our environment. As part of the Religious Education students will explain how we are called to look after God's gifts and how we can be servants of God.

Students will take part in a number of team building exercises/ team sporting activities as part of Physical Education. Please ensure they have their full PE uniform for Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.



Keeping  
the Faith



## CAMP UPDATE!

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Mini Gala will be held on Friday 2nd August. A reminder if you are able to be a supervisor on the day to contact your child's teacher. Your support will be greatly appreciated. We have plenty of raffle tickets that need to be sold. Please see Mr Carson if you require more books.

### Reminders:

- ❖ Powhiri- Friday 26th July
- ❖ Students are reminded to bring their full PE uniform every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please help your child to have these organised.
- ❖ Year 7&8 Camp: 26th August.
- ❖ Feast of the Assumption: Thursday 15th August



# Other News and Information

## KEY DATES

- **Friday 26th July** - Powhiri to welcome new students
- **Thursday 1st August 6pm** - BOT meeting
- **Friday 2nd August** - Mini Gala for camp -Room 1 & 2 1.30-4.30pm
- **Monday 5th August** - Dental van in school
- **Thursday 15th August** - Assumption of Mary
- **Friday 16th August** - School Disco
- **Thursday 22nd August** - Eastern Zone swimming
- **Monday 26 - Friday 30th August** - Teapot Valley Camp for Year 7 & 8 students
- **Wednesday 28th August** - Kahui Ako parent evening
- **Friday 6th September**- Gardasil immunisation for year 8
- **Thursday 12th September 6pm** - BOT meeting
- **Saturday 14th September**- Feast of the Holy Cross
- **Tuesday 17th September** - Artsplash Choir Concert
- **Wednesday 18th September** - Artsplash Dance Concert
- **Friday 20th September 1.45pm** - Little Angels
- **Friday 27th September** - End of Term 3



Predator Free Wellington aim to make Wellington the first predator free Capital City in the world. You may have noticed there are traps around our school. Please talk with your children about the traps and remind them not to touch. Read how you can help support this great initiative at <https://www.pfw.org.nz/>



## **PSG NEWS:**

### SUBWAY:

Subway orders taken in the library every Friday morning.

### Entertainment books still available!

The Entertainment Books for 2019/20 are still available. Packed full of useful discounts they make a great gift. Entertainment Books are available as a hard copy book as well as a Digital Membership. For every book purchased the PSG receives \$13.

Buy yours now at

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/943q153>



### 2020 New enrolments

If your child is turning 5 years of age and you would like to enrol them at Holy Cross School, please pick up an Enrolment pack from the office. Spread the word to family and Friends too!!



A big Happy Birthday to the following students Kruz, Flynn, Kayla, Rhian, Billie, Meela and Oscar. We hope you had a wonderful birthday.

## YUMMY STICKER PROMOTION

Keep munching on those apples and send us your stickers when you are finished. The more stickers collected the more sports gear we can receive. Promotion ends in September, Thanks.

