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Term 4 Week 1 Newsletter 2021

Principal's message

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Change- a word that invites many different responses in all of us from terror and resistance to excitement and joy! Our world is a world of change as we adjust to the new 'normal' that living with Covid 19 in our country has brought. We are grateful for our relative freedom here in Wellington but there are still limits on what we can do especially around celebrating school community events.

Our hard working staff show flexibility and a proactive spirit as we set plans in place for some of the key events that normally make up our end of year celebrations. Our Poroporoaki to farewell Celeste in a formal manner will go ahead under the conditions set out for an informal gathering. This restricts us to 100 people gathering in the hall on November the 5th with a selection of students, staff, guests and parents present. Today we are pre-recording items from each syndicate that will be shown on that day. We will also live stream the event on our Facebook page so that children and whanau can view this remotely so if you follow our school page on Facebook, please join us if you can.

Change at the moment also means people in new roles. Dominique Vincent has joined us to teach the Piwakawaka Room (old Room12) for literacy and other release hours- we welcome her and wish her well. Clare James has taken on the SENCO role alongside teaching Room 3. Lucy Wooles, Jeannine Winton and Brenda O'Hare have stepped up into leadership roles supporting our Junior Marcellin syndicate, our middle 'Garden to table ' team and our senior classes. I have enjoyed my first week in the principal chair and am very grateful that I work with people who love their job and are passionate about seeing our tamariki thrive.













Catholic Character

Philippians 4:6

Don't worry about anything; instead pray about everything.

Tell God what you need and thank Him for all He has done.

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. The liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated each year on October 7th.

The Mysteries of the Rosary.

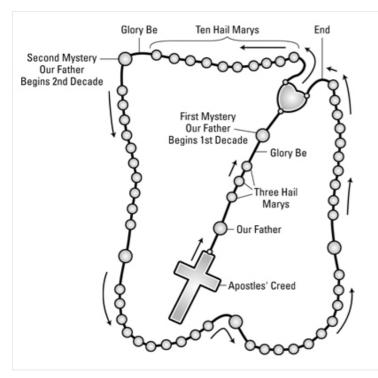
The 20 mysteries of the Rosary, help people meditate on the major events of Jesus' life.

- The Joyful Mysteries Mary is chosen, Mary visits Elizabeth, Jesus is born, Jesus is presented to the temple, then found preaching there.
- The Sorrowful Mysteries Jesus in the garden, Jesus is whipped, He is crowned with thorns, then carries His cross, then He is crucified.
- The Glorious Mysteries Jesus rises from the dead, He ascends into Heaven, the Holy Spirit visits, Mary is assumed into Heaven, then she is crowned Queen of Heaven and earth.

 The Luminous Mysteries - the Baptism in the Jordan, the Wedding at Cana, the Proclamation, the Transfiguration, and the Eucharist - Jesus shares His body and blood for our salvation.

(added by Pope John Paul 11 in 2002)

Over the next week children will be learning about the rosary and how it can help us focus on the events of Jesus' life.



No school on Friday 22nd October -Teacher only day, No school on Monday 25th October - Labour day



PSG

All Welcome - Parent Support Group AGM Monday 8th November @ 7pm

Where: School Staff Room, if we're at Level 1.

If we are at Level 2 or higher, the meeting will be on zoom. A zoom link will be sent out on the school app closer to the time.

Please feel free to join us! Anyone is welcome along to PSG meetings and there is no commitment to join regularly if you can only make the occasional meeting. We would love to see you there! At the AGM we will be electing positions of Chairperson, Secretary and Finance for the PSG. Being part of the PSG is a great way for parents to get to know each other in our school community. We are currently fundraising to provide our children with a new resurfaced bike pump track at the back of the courts. Our fundraising efforts have been a bit limited by covid, but we're determined to keep finding new ways to raise the money required!

Any questions, please feel free to email us at psg@hcm.school.nz

Sport News

Touch Rugby:

Will begin next Wednesday 27 October, game times will vary between 3.45-5.45pm.

You should have received an email confirming you are on a team. If not, please contact Corrie Skells, corrie.skells@hcm.school.nz

Remember that payment is **required** to be part of a team.

All players are required to wear their school PE uniform. No jewellery, sunglasses or beanies allowed to be worn. Footwear must be sports shoes. No bare feet or spikes.

Parents will be directed where to observe the games as only the coach and manager are allowed on the playing fields during Level 2. Be sure to sign in when you arrive. Coaches are still needed for the Year 3/4 team!

Netball

Games begin on Saturday 30 October. Year 1/2 play at 9.30am and Year 3/4 play at 11.30am. You should have received a confirmation email if you signed up for a team. Contact Corrie corrie.skells@hcm.school.nz if you have any issues. Star Helpers and Coaches are still welcome. Training is on Thursday 21 October 5.30pm at EBIS Library.

Basketball

Due to Level 2 restrictions, only the Year 5/6 team are able to play at ASB arena this term. The other teams will be receiving payment back for their cancelled games. We wish the best to this team and hope they enjoy this special opportunity!

Sports Awards

Congratulations to Jayden Caseley who recently won best player and best tackler for his U13 team at MSP rugby. Well done Jayden!





A big welcome to Sophie and Maia, who started at Holy Cross School this week, we hope you had a great week and have made some new friends.

Happy Birthday



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO Rome, Lily, Cian, Bawi, Makanii, Sophie, Maloni, Mounga, Chelsea, Maia, Jakob, Anira, Avery and Kiahn. We hope that your birthday was special and you celebrated with friends and family!

Garden to Table



Chef of the Day, Matilda, Rm 5

Green and Cheese Fritters

19 October 2021

In today's session in the kitchen we made Green and Cheese Fritters, with Aleksandra! Me, Elaisa and Lydia were working on mixing the dry ingredients and adding in flour and baking powder. Vianna and Selena were working on the wet ingredients, they put 2 eggs in a bowl and were supposed to add in some milk. Unfortunately my group had already accidentally poured in the milk! But it didn't really matter because we fixed it by mixing them together. Something I thought went well was we worked together as a team!

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Gardener of the Day - Sam (Rm 5)

Term 4 Spring Observations

19 October 2021

Today I made observations in the garden.

Observation time

- 1. I noticed 3x new seeds developing.
- 2. Sowing Today I harvested some plants, like beetroot and lettuce.
- 3. We planted into small containers:

Sunflower

Gemcorn

Bean

Tomato

4. We had special tasks to do as well like:

Lettuce seeding

Weed garlic bed

I saw bok choy was seeding and it was fine but it looked like it was dying.

I saw broad beans were flowering and it looked much cooler and spikey.





Nise had fun counting with Kathleen



Uniform Term 4

In Term 4 summer dresses may be worn by girls in Years 1-6, these dresses are available through the NZUniform shop and online. Senior girls in Year 7-8 wear the white blouse and regulation skirt.

Girls can also wear navy blue school regulation shorts if they choose (not PE shorts or bike shorts).

Students are also required to bring a hat to school every day. We have a sun smart policy of No Hat No Play.

Please ensure your child comes to school wearing the correct uniform. They should wear black leather shoes or plain black sandals, clean and tidy uniform.

The PE uniform should not be worn to school or home, students must change into this at school.

If you are struggling to purchase a uniform please contact the office, we have several second hand options or we can help in other ways.







https://hcsmiramar.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1843/holy_cross_school_uniform_list_2021.pdf

Community Notices

E-Waste Collection.

On Saturday 30 October (Rain postponement Saturday 6 November) at St Catherine's College, Upper Bourke St, Kilbirnie 9am – 2pm. No whiteware or car batteries. Cost per item from \$2 - 10. Cash only. Proceeds to the college.

Kiari Colouring Calendars are now available. This delightful New Zealand based Colouring Calendar allows children to be creative, have fun and learn about the months of the year as they colour in a new page each month. The colouring pages for the calendar have gorgeous NZ themed insects such as hedgehogs, Tui birds, ladybirds and more. This will make a great birthday or Christmas present for both children and adults alike. To order visit www.kiaricreative.com or email kiariunique@gmail.com for bulk purchase discounts.

Saetoun Kindergarten fundraiser

Get in quick our Te Moto Kairaingi tees and totes are only available to order for the next two weeks!

The kids tees are great for school sports days. All funds raised go towards upgrading our new outdoor area for our kindergarten.



Miramar Golf Club will begin its annual intro and beginner training for Juniors (6-18 years) this October.

The training is split into two sets of six lessons. One set running from Oct 27th 2021 to Dec 1st 2021 and the second set in summer after the school holidays in 2022. Each session is run for one hour on a Wednesday evening. Under 12 years old are from 4pm to 5pm and teenagers are from 5pm to 6pm. Once the child has completed 6 sessions they will be eligible to play Sunday mornings from 9:15am for free

Attached are the registration form and an outline of the lesson plans. Please fill out the registration form and send it back to me. If you know of any friends or extended family that might be keen please feel free to pass this on.

If you are uncomfortable sending bank details over email then feel free to pop into the pro shop on the day of the first session where we have eftpos available.

We are looking forward to a fab and fun summer season ahead.