

School Newsletter

Term 4 Week 4 8th November 2017

CATHOLIC CHARACTER:

In the readings this Sunday Jesus tells us a story about how it is important to be ready and prepared for whatever will happen. It is easy to be ready for something to happen when we know the day and time to expect it. Jesus explains that we must always be ready for his return because no one knows when he will be coming.

Let's reflect this week on 'being prepared', what this might mean and how it might look.

The message shared by Father Ephrem when he spoke to the twelve Holy Cross School students who received their First Communion last Sunday links beautifully to the message in this week's readings. Father spoke with the students about their roles as 'friends of Jesus'. He explained that through their actions they can help others come to know Jesus.



Let's all think about our actions and reflect on how they might help others come to experience Jesus through us.

We invite you to say this prayer each morning to focus your thoughts and action:

God of all, help us to share what we have, to treat others as we would wish to be treated and to try to make the world a fairer place, so that we may be found ready when your kingdom comes. Amen.

 To Meisha on Tuesday 7th November, Nafira on Saturday 11th November, Emma on Sunday 12th November,

Welcome

A very warm welcome to Sam in Room 3 and Ben in Room 8 who started at Holy Cross School yesterday. Please take the time to say hi to them and make them feel welcome in that special Holy Cross way.

TE REO:

E tū ki te mihi.

Stand up to greet.

- this is an example of a command in simple active form

NUTRITION NUGGET FOR WEEK 4



CANS FOR GOOD

Thank you to everyone who donated canned food for the Salvation Army "Food for Good" project they greatly appreciated your generosity.

TSUNAMI WALK OUT

On Tuesday November 14th, practice getting to where you need to go if an earthquake is long or strong.

Businesses - During lunch, at 12:02pm practice walking to your safe zone with your work mates.

Schools

Holy Cross School will practice this just before lunch on Tuesday 14th November.

Households

After dinner, practice walking to your safe zone with everyone in your household. Please visit www.getprepared.nz/personalpreparedness/tsunamikout/ for more information.

WELLINGTON ART GALLERY VISITS

The Wellington City Art Gallery has fully funded a trip for the Marcellin Syndicate to visit the Wellington City Art Gallery to explore an exhibition of John Stezaker's work –yesterday students in Rooms 12 and Room 8 were lucky enough to make their own collage in the studio and had a fantastic day. Rooms 7 & 6 went along today to experience this great exhibition.

GARDEN TO TABLE

Cordell and Rebecca



Home Garden: Cordell: I like gardens with mint in them because of the lovely smell of mint. I like the lettuce smell too.

Rebecca: My Aunty planted beans in an extra bed. We have feijoa plants at the back and a small fig tree and some kale too. We get most of our veges out of the garden so we only buy the ones we don't have.

Kitchen Information: **Rebecca:** You put kale and rainbow beet in last if you're cooking them, as they cook the fastest.

Cordell: You put the rice paper in warm water to make it soft and you can put healthy fillings like tomato, lettuce, carrot, purple onion and celery. You roll it carefully but fold the ends up carefully so the veges don't fall out. You can dip it in soy sauce.

Garden Information: **Rebecca:** If you buy a plant and it's still in its pot you squeeze the pot to loosen it but if it's still stuck, give the bottom a tap and gently pull it out.

Cordell: In the garden you make a hole to plant the seed in then you push it in.

Rebecca: My favourite GTT dish so far this year is the carrot cup cake.

My favourite food of all time is lime jelly.

Cordell: My favourite GTT dish so far the rice paper dish with noodles.

My favourite dish of all time is steak with couscous.

2018 STUDENTS

We are in the process of planning the classes for the 2018 school year. If you have a younger sibling/child turning 5 in 2018 and have not yet registered them with the school office can you please do so as soon as possible. Or if you know of someone who is

thinking of coming to Holy Cross School please get them to contact the office.

EASTERN ZONE ATHLETICS

Despite the wild weather the night before it turned out to be a beautiful sunny day yesterday and we were delighted that the Eastern Zone Athletics went ahead. We had 45 Holy Cross School students participating and were very impressed with their team spirit and the effort they put in trying their best. Well done everyone and a big thank you to Mr Solia, Mr Carson and the parent volunteers. We will announce the results in next week newsletter.

END OF YOUR CHRISTMAS LITURGY

On Tuesday 5th December from 5:30pm – 7:00pm we will be holding our End of year Liturgy. We warmly invite all families to attend this special gathering which will include a farewell to our Year 8 leavers and the presentation of the Year 7 Parent Support Group Scholarship for 2018.

Your child will bring home a copy of the words to the carols we will be singing, please take the time to practise and enjoy these together.

Save the Date

Thursday 9th November: Room 7 & Room 6 go to Art Gallery.

Tuesday 5th December: Christmas Liturgy 5:30pm

Thursday 7th December: 2018 Classes for morning

Tuesday 12th December: Year 8 Graduation

Friday 15th December: End of Year Farewell/Liturgy

Community News

ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

The 2018 Attendance Dues information notice can now be found on our school website under Useful Links. The Attendance Dues for 2018 are

Primary students \$485.00

Secondary students \$995.00

If you require more information please download their letter to families from the school website.

ASSYRIAN FOOD FESTIVAL

Where: St Patrick's Church Hall, 17 Rongotai Rd, Kilbirne.

When: Sunday November 12th at 11:00am – 3:00pm Come along to enjoy a variety of Mediterranean foods such as Dolma, Kibbeh, Hummus, Baklava and much more. Free entry – Food tickets can be purchased onsite.