



# Term 4 Week 6 Newsletter

**Catholic Character:** This coming Sunday we celebrate the feast of Christ the King but Jesus didn't live in a palace or wear a gold crown.

In the Gospel we will hear Jesus tell us that you do not have to be rich or powerful to be important. He shows us that what is more important is how you treat others. What we do and say is much more important than whether we are rich or poor or where we come from.

Jesus is the Son of God. He came to show us how to live. He came to teach us to help others, to love our neighbours and to share with them. Jesus says that all those who are on the side of truth will listen to his voice. Let's think of all the different people we listen to in a week? We listen to our parents and carers, teachers and other adults. We listen to our friends. We listen to the radio. We listen to music. How do we listen to Jesus?

We can listen to Jesus by hearing the Gospels and thinking about what Jesus is teaching us in them. Also we can listen to Jesus when we take time to be still and quiet and when we pray. Sometimes it is easy to listen. Sometimes it is hard. We might not want to hear what the person is saying to us and so we do not listen properly.

This week let's try really hard to listen carefully to everyone. But most of all let's try really hard to listen to Jesus, a very different kind of king, in our lives.

How will you show you are listening to Jesus in your life this week?

## Important Dates

**23rd November** - Holy Cross has got Talent 1.45pm

**27th November** - Interzone Athletics Newtown Park

**4th December** -  
**5:30 pm** Cultural group perform  
**6:00pm** Christmas Liturgy.  
**Students invited to come in cultural dress.**

**5th December** - Eastern Zone Miniball

**6th December** - Final BOT meeting for 2018

**7th December** - New classes for 2019

**8th December** - Feast of the Immaculate Conception

**13th December** - Year 8 Graduation 7pm

**17 December** - End of year fun day ASB

**18th December** - End of Year Liturgy and last day of school



## **GARDEN TO TABLE: Young Gardener of The Year**

Yesterday we celebrated a very special award. Our GTT students entered a nationwide competition, in which they shared their gardening knowledge and learning experiences. We are delighted to announce that **Josh Angelo** was awarded the **Young Gardener of the Year for 2018**. Three other students from Holy Cross were also finalists in the competition and they too received certificates. Well done Krishiv Patel, Luke Carter and Helena Clark. Thanks to Nik Solia (Teacher of Year 6 GTT), Olivia Boyd (GTT co-ordinator) and Aleece Hunter (GTT kitchen co-ordinator) for your passionate work and to all the other volunteers involved in GTT. We also would like to acknowledge the incredible support we receive from the Garden to Table team and to Victoria Bernard (GTT Programme co-ordinator) who presented the awards today for her ongoing support.



Happy birthday to Mason, Rociana, Mia and Parina, enjoy your special day.

The Strings programme is now up and running with some beautiful sounds coming from the hall on Tuesday afternoons. Below is a letter from Margaret Guldborg from Arohanui Strings updating us on their exciting progress and plans for the future.

Dear Parents and Whanau,

For those of you who have not met me yet, my name is Margaret Guldborg, and I am leading the new Arohanui Strings music initiative funded by Wellington City Council on Tuesdays at Holy Cross.

I am delighted to be teaching the students at Holy Cross! More students than we anticipated have signed up for the programme, and that has proved to be a blessing as well as a challenge! Since our first day, we have added two cellos and a double bass. We are still waiting for a shipment of violins to arrive, which will hopefully arrive in the next week. These instruments are all donated, or funded through our parent programme, Arohanui Strings-Sistema Hutt Valley. As there are only three more weeks left of Orchestra this year, I am not sure how many students will be able to sign out an instrument to take home. This will be determined by age, commitment, and how they have been caring for the instruments.

I would like to invite you all to come celebrate the music your child has learned, and welcome you to our Sistema NZ whanau: **Tuesday December 11, from 4:15 - 4:45, in the school hall.**

Food will be provided, and all are welcome!

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak with me on Tuesdays, or by email: [cellomaggie@gmail.com](mailto:cellomaggie@gmail.com)

Kind regards,

Margaret Guldborg

Coordinator/Lead Teacher, Arohanui Strings



The St Vincent de Paul Christmas food parcel collection is on!

We are collecting items that can be donated to families in need in our community at Christmas time.

If you are able to help please send any items to the school office.

Thank you for your very generous support, it will make a difference.



### SPORTS NEWS

#### INTERZONE ATHLETICS 27TH

#### NOVEMBER

Good luck to Maria, George, Jaiymee, Sio, Wilson, Caitlyn, Ethan, Audry, Mounga, Jessica, Max R, Tilomai, Alex, Lupe, Lucy, Rociana, Raiha and Haare as they compete in the Interzone Athletics competition at Newtown Park next Tuesday 27th November. If you have some free time during the day please come along and support our students.



### LOST PROPERTY

We have a lot of unnamed lost property in the office. If your child has lost any clothing items please come to the office and have a look.

We will be sending the unclaimed items to St Vincent de Paul's on Friday 30/11/18, if not collected.

Items include puffer jackets, gumboots, hoodies etc, Thank you for your help.



SKIDS Holy Cross Miramar are looking to employ a Programme Manager and also casual staff. If you are passionate about working with children, this may be of interest to you. Please contact [careers@skids.co.nz](mailto:careers@skids.co.nz) for further information.