



ST IGNATIUS
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

HEADS UP!

HAPPY - HARI

This means that we will follow in the footsteps of Jesus
like Saint Mary MacKillop and

"Find happiness in making others happy."

I am thankful for the happiness I feel inside and the gifts God's given me.
I choose ways to make others happy. I enjoy my work and play.

TERM 2, 2017
Week 6 June 6th

OUR FAITH

On Sunday the Easter season ended with the feast of **PENTECOST**, celebrating the birthday of the church when the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples.

Fifty days after Easter the disciples were gathered together praying and fasting when God sent the gift of the Holy Spirit as Jesus had promised. The disciples began to speak in different languages and many thousands became Christians on that day hence it became the day the Church was born.

Our current RE strand throughout the school is The Holy Spirit and children are learning about the Holy Spirit and Pentecost at their year level. Refer to the [Family Whanau 'Book'](#) for an outline of the strand content at your child's level.

At St Ignatius, our Learning Spaces are named as fruits of the Holy Spirit:
Aroha - Love, Kia Hari - Joy, Rongo - Peace, Manawanui - Patience,
Atawhai - Kindness, Humarika -Gentleness, Mahaki -Self control, Pai - Goodness.
Many of our children can name these qualities which we all aspire to have. At school we are continually working on teaching the children to action the fruits of the Spirit. Talk with them about how we recognise and know the power of the Spirit is in them and others. Bullying - *deliberate, emotionally and/or physically hurtful actions that are planned, repeated, targeted*, which we have discussed a lot in the last fortnight, wouldn't ever occur if children, and indeed yadults, let the Holy Spirit work in them.

Each year we observe Pentecost, this special day in the liturgical calendar, dramatising the story of sharing the symbols of the Holy Spirit, and praying that we let the power of the Holy Spirit work in us.

On Thursday, everyone will have a birthday cupcake with a lighted candle as we sing 'Happy Birthday' to the Church. Children are invited to wear mufti 'party clothes'. Our Year 6 children are planning games for the SAINTS teams, and some are making the cupcakes – thankyou Y6 parents for helping them.

We will have a special batch of cupcakes for children who have wheat, nut, dairy, egg allergies.

If your child is allergic to any of the above you will have let us know. However please contact the office to inform us as to whether they can or cannot have their special cake iced, using icing sugar & water.

OUR PEOPLE

Welcome...

To our new 5 year olds, Maeve Driver who started school Tuesday, and Tahiel Lopez who begins on Wednesday. Maeve and Tahiel both join their older brothers at St Ignatius.

Congratulations...

To the children who were confirmed last Saturday evening at St Ignatius church. Another group of children in the St Ignatius Parish Sacramental programme will be confirmed next weekend. Glendowie Parish children will be confirmed on July 1st. We pray these children grow in understanding of the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit.

To the Richmond family who have recently welcomed Savannah's little sister Montana Rose, and the Cervin family who welcomed Tiago's little sister, Luisa last week.

We pray for special blessings on these precious new arrivals.

Condolences

Our prayers and thoughts are with the Bergin family; David, Sarah, and Hannah's great grandmother passed away last week.

Enrolments for 2018

If you have a pre schooler whom you intend to enrol please pick up an enrolment pack from the office and return before end of August. Places will be confirmed by the end of September.

Relieving Teachers

Many of our regular relievers have been with us often in the past few weeks as teachers have succumbed to the virus some of the children have had and unfortunately it takes more than a day or two to recover.

Teachers also have regular 'Classroom Release Time' and this peaks during mid year reporting times. We are fortunate that most relievers at St Ignatius know our children and are familiar with our way.

OUR LEARNING

Mid Year Progress Report CaPTS

We look forward to sharing with you at the Children and Parent Teacher Conferences for Years 3, 4, 5, 6.

Hardcopy forms with CaPT times were sent home in homelink bags on Friday, June 2nd. Times made since then will be sent home Wednesday, June 7th.

Where possible, we have allowed 10 minutes between conferences for those of you who have more than one CaPT to allow you to get to the next space.

Conference dates:

Monday June 12th 1.30 - 4.30pm

Wednesday June 14th 3:00 - 6:30pm

School will finish at the usual time: 2.50pm on both days.

Please bring your child with you to the conference.

Thanks for being considerate and keeping to the time. Please don't wait outside in the cold. RONGO, the end room nearest the new block, will be open as a space where you can wait.

Cybersafety

Check this link for some good tips for parents about online safety from Netsafe.

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/online-safety-for-parents/>

Kiwi Sport – Bay Suburbs Football Tournament May 24th at Glover Park

Congratulations to

Year 5 A Boys : first

Year 6 A Boys : third equal

Year 6 A Girls : second

Year 5B Boys: second

Year 6B Boys: third

Year 5 A Girls : second

Well done to all teams for your effort and sportsmanship on the day.

Parent Support

Thank you to all those who were able to support our recent 'Education Outside the Classroom' trips including the Science Roadshow and Football Tournament.

Help Requested

Library: Year 4 would like parent volunteers on Friday morning from 9 to 10:15am to return and issue their books. Please contact the office office@stignatius.school.nz

Phone: 09 575 7081

OUR PLACE

INTEGRATION AGREEMENT Please read:

In 1982 when St Ignatius was integrated and became a State Integrated Catholic school, our school was classified as a full primary school with boys from New Entrants to Year 6, and girls from New Entrants to Year 8. The number of girls staying on for Years 7 & 8 had reduced significantly by 1990, and St Ignatius school, together with five other Auckland Catholic Primary schools decided that it would be best for the schools to become Year 1 – 6 contributing schools and for the girls to move to Catholic secondary schools at Year 7.

Since that time our school hasn't operated any Year 7 & 8 classes. However our school's Integration Agreement has not been changed to reflect this. Bishop Pat Dunn, as the Proprietor of St Ignatius Catholic School, will be submitting an application to officially change our school's Integration Agreement to state we are a Year 1 – 6 school. The Board of Trustees are supportive of this. If you have any queries about this please feel free to contact principal@stignatius.school.nz

NB Year 0/New Entrants are included in the definition of a Year 1 – 6 contributing school.

REMINDERS

- Children are to walk into school through the gates and NOT the car park behind the church
- Please do not park in the Church grounds outside the Parish Centre and Church (Kotiri St entrance) at school pick up and drop off times.

CARETAKER/HANDYMAN

Does anyone know of a person who might be interested in this part time role of a few hours weekly? Days and hours negotiable. Enquiries and more info available at office@stignatius.school.nz Phone: 09 575 7081

UNIFORM

Formal uniform with winter footwear - plain black closed in shoes, sports style ideal, with regulation school socks, or tights if girls prefer.

Years 5 and 6 children are to have Active Wear for sports on Wednesdays and Year 4 require their's on Fridays.

Children of any year level who want to play on the field, when it is dry enough, are to bring their Active Wear uniform to change into.

Make sure your child isn't wearing ankle bracelets, coloured hair accessories, or coloured sneakers.

Complying with our uniform code is part of being respectful.

Please inform a teacher if for some reason children can't wear the correct uniform.

There are numerous un-named, un-claimed uniform items in the 'WHO OWNS THIS?' WOT bins. **Rename** uniform that's had a previous owner.

PLEASE CLEARLY NAME ALL:

- **CLOTHING INCLUDING SHOES, SOCKS, UNDERSHIRTS**
- **BELONGINGS INCLUDING FOOD CONTAINERS AND WATER BOTTLES**

Calendar

WEEK 6 - Te Waipuna Food Collection – Years 0,1,6

TUESDAY June 6th

First week of winter; children now wear formal uniform and bring Active Wear if they want to play on the field when it's open.

WEDNESDAY June 7th

Year 6 cupcake makers bring cupcakes to be iced at school for Thursday's celebration. Parent help appreciated.

THURSDAY June 8th

Children invited to wear school suitable 'party clothes' for the Pentecost celebration of the Church's birthday. *NB No 9am MASS today.*

SATURDAY June 10th

St Ignatius Parish Confirmation second group

SUNDAY June 11th

St Ignatius Parish AGM 11am – after 9.30am Mass

WEEK 7 - Te Waipuna Food Collection – Years 2, 3

MONDAY June 12th

CaPTs for Y3, 4, 5, 6 from 1.30pm - 4.30pm

WEDNESDAY June 14th

Bay Suburbs Rugby Tournament Years 5, 6 girls and boys teams competing

CaPTs for Y3, 4, 5, 6 from 3.00pm - 4.30pm

BOT Meeting 7pm

THURSDAY June 15th

MOTAT Trip for Years 0,1,2,3

FRIDAY June 16th

Save Day Bay Suburbs Rugby Tournament

DATES ARE CALENDARED ON THE WEBSITE: www.stignatius.school.nz



Reporter/Artist Barnaby Thomas-Plume Year 3

Science Exploration

Year 3s are interested in Animals of Africa and chose to find out detailed information about the giraffe, recording their inquiry in descriptive writing and visual art. Read their reports Year 3 parents when you're next in Kia Hari.



Alana Kenny and Lara Smith Year 5

Bullying - Free Week

Alana and Lara Smith with some of their presentations which included a speech, poster, and dance.



HAPPY Learners enjoying the June sunshine on the first day of winter last week.