

# **HEADS UP!**

We are **GENEROUS** – OHAOHA

This means that we will follow in the footsteps of Jesus, and like Saint Mary MacKillop 'Never see a need without doing something about it.' "Faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead" (James 2:15-17) Jesus feeds the five thousand (Matthew 14:13- 21)

> Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September *Kia ora te whanau*

# **OUR FAITH**

## Sharing the Gospel Matthew 21:28-32

This Sunday the Gospel tells the Parable of the Two Sons. The story is of a man with two sons who told them to go work in the vineyard. The first son refused, but later obeyed and went. The second son initially expressed obedience, but actually disobeyed and refused to work in the vineyard.

We are reminded that words can be meaningless and promises empty if they are not followed by action. Jesus asks us to consider whether our words and actions are in agreement. A few small acts are worth more than many fine words.

#### Masses

We will be starting Hapu Masses again next term and invite you to come along when your child is involved. Hopefully many of us will be able to attend masses in our parishes this weekend as well!

## **COVID ALERT LEVELS**

The Government will next review Auckland's Alert Level on Monday 5 October. It has agreed, in principle, to move Auckland down to Alert Level. If the Alert Level does change, this will be at 11:59 pm on Wednesday 7 October.

We will continue to follow the guidelines required for whatever level we are in and are looking forward to having events next term with parents being invited along. Obviously this will depend on any restrictions to the size of gatherings.

## **OUR LEARNING**

#### Art

Next term Mrs Morgan will be working with a group of children to paint the fence near the pohutakawa tree with some images that represent the cultural diversity in our place. If you have any spare paint test pots or partially used smaller paint tins please send them along to the office. They will be gratefully received.

We have tentatively rescheduled our Art Exhibition to Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August from 7.30am –9am . More information to come.

#### **Celebration of Learning Certificates**

Congratulations to all the wonderful learners who received their learning certificates on Monday.



## Weetbix Kids TRYathlon

Next year the TRYathlon will take place on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2021. At the end of this Heads Up there is more information and a link to enter your child if you are interested.

## Health

Today Year 5 & 6 students participated in a Foodstorm/ feeding the whanau programme sponsored by SKIDS and Nestle NZ. They had fun learning about food hygiene practices and how to prepare healthy kai for their whanau.



#### Swimming

All children will be going to swimming in Weeks 4 and 5 at the Sacred Heart Aquatic Centre. You will have received a letter by email today and further details will come early next term. In the meantime please complete the form as soon as possible.

https://clmnz.wufoo.com/forms/st-ignatius-catholic-school-swimming-lessons-2020/

## Speeches

Congratulations to Sarah Begin who won the Year 5 & 6 speech competition and Hayley Peck who won the spoken word/ poetry competition this week. Both students will be representing our school next term. Also, well done to the runners up Jamie Bishop and Niklas Schwabe.

## **OUR PLACE**

#### Uniform

From the beginning of next term children may wear summer uniform which is active wear shorts and t-shirts with black sandals. Alternatively they may continue wearing formal uniform until Labour Weekend. From the Tuesday after Labour weekend, summer uniform is compulsory.

Hats are essential in Term 4 and part of the summer uniform. If you need to purchase one, they are available at the school office for a cost of \$18 which can be added to your school account.

Please remember to name all your child's clothing and belongings.

#### **Property**

During the school holidays there will be a lot or work going on in the school grounds including building washing and painting, repairs to the ramp outside Pai learning space, hedge trimming and clearing of old plants from the front gardens. We are also continuing to look at plans to redevelop the sandpit area in the near future to make this a more interesting space for children to play in.

#### OUR PEOPLE

We have started to look at our planning for next year and recently advertised and made an appointment for a permanent teacher in the junior school. Miss Olivia Melbourne was the successful candidate. She is currently teaching at Napier Central School and will be relocating to Auckland to take up the position at the beginning of 2021.

#### PTA UPDATE

Green Goddess - Laundry and Natural Products

The good folk at Green Goddess are offering the St Ignatius community 10% off all their products until the end of the year. Enter the code 'St Ignatius' at checkout to apply the discount. Plus for every purchase using the code they will pay another 10% to the PTA.

Make your own cleaning or beauty products over the holidays – or start thinking about Christmas presents!

Green Goddess (formerly Wendyl's) products are totally natural, Vegan, cruelty free and scented only with pure essential oils. There are no synthetics, phosphates, preservatives, fragrance or plant derived substances.

https://www.wendyls.co.nz/



| OUR CALENDAR<br>Note: for the most up to date information check the calendar on our website<br><u>https://www.stignatius.school.nz/</u> |  |
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| Term 4  |  |
| Week 1 Te Waipuna Collection Years 0,1 & 6  |  |
| Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October  | Year 4 Kapa Haka Sharing 11.45 am          |
| Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> October   | PTA meeting 7pm                            |
| Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>   | Catholic Special Character external review |
| October   |  |
| Week 2 Te Waipuna Collection Years 4 & 5  |  |
| Niuean Language Week  |  |
| Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October  | Board of Trustees meeting                  |
| Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October   | Rangitoto Mass Year 5 & Year 2 children    |
| Week 3 Te Waipuna Collection Years 2 & 3  |  |
| All children to be in summer uniform from this week   |  |
| Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> October   | Labour Day public holiday                  |
| Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> October   | Bay Suburbs girls basketball               |
| Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> October   | Art Exhibition from 7.30am                 |
| Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> October   | Bay Suburbs boys basketball                |
| Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> October   | Cans for Christmas Collection              |
| Week 4 Te Waipuna Collection Years 0, 1 & 6   |  |
| Swimming at Sacred Aquatic Centre Heart all week  |  |
| Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> November   | All Saints Day                             |
| Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November   | All Souls Day                              |
| Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> November   | PTA Meeting                                |
| Week 5 Te Waipuna Collection Years 4 & 5  |  |
| Swimming at Sacred Heart Aquatic Centre all week  |  |
| Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> November   | Bay Suburbs Touch                          |
| Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> November  | Swimming Sports Year 4-6                   |

Have a safe and happy holiday and we will see you all next term.

Ngā manaakitanga

*Jane Penney* Principal





Entries are open for the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon on Sunday 14th February at Point England Reserve. The TRY athlon is all about giving it a TRY and is a rewarding and fun day out for you and your child.

Here are some rules:

- 1. Participants need to be aged 7-15 years old on event day, and can complete the TRYathlon as an individual or in a team of two.
- 2. Participants need to be aged 6 years old on event day to complete the Splash & Dash.

Our school has created a School Group which you can join when you enter from home. Search for St Ignatius Catholic School when prompted. By linking to our school group it will give us the chance to win some great prizes. The direct link to register into our school group is St Ignatius Catholic School.

If someone you know requires financial assistance to enter the TRYathlon, should it be subsidised entry fees or funding for necessary equipment, then you can apply to the Weet-Bix TRYathlon Foundation for assistance. Visit www.tryathlon.co.nz/foundation for details. If you have any school related questions please contact Kieran Allaway on kallaway@stignatius.school.nz otherwise contact the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon team; email Sophia@smcevents.co.nz or phone 0800 WEET BIX (0800 9338 249).