



Sacred Heart School Petone

Te Kura o Ngākau Tapu ki Pito-One

NEWSLETTER

DATES TO NOTE

Fri 14 Feb

- Junior Swimming Sports

Mon 17 Feb

- Cricket coaching – whole school

Tues 18 Feb

- Hearing & Vision Testing
- Parent Info Meeting
- 6pm
- Camp Meeting
- 7pm

Wed 19 Feb

- Early Risers Session 1 2pm
- BoT Meeting 7pm

Fri 21 Feb

- Assembly 2pm
- Touch starts

24 – 28 Feb

- Year 7 & 8 Camp

Wed 26 Feb

- Ash Wednesday Mass 9.30am
- Early Risers Session 2 2pm
- Newsletter

Thurs 27 & Fri 28 Feb

- Life Ed

Mon 2 & Tues 3 Mar

- Life Ed

2 – 6 Mar

- Movin' March

Wed 4 Mar

- Early Risers Session 3 2pm

Fri 6 Mar

- Senior Swimming Sports
- Assembly 2pm

**TOUCH starts Friday
21 February.**

Number 1

Wednesday 12 February 2020

Dear Parents and Friends

Welcome to our first full school newsletter for the year! I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and holiday, enjoying our fantastic summer weather! The staff have all come back refreshed and ready for the New Year. I had a wonderful holiday visiting Hawkes Bay and Taranaki.

We are starting the year with a roll of 145 and we will reach our maximum of 165 by the end of the year. We have had a great start with swimming in all classes and Kakapo at Tech.

The staff are all back. We welcome Katy Grant our new Deputy Principal and Kākāpō class teacher. We also welcome Jenna Gadd and Alyse Veltman who are working as Teacher Aides. The staff have all spent several hours getting ready for the new school year. We spent 2 days as a staff working on administration and professional development. We have changed Mrs Pennington's job title to Assistant Principal this year.

We welcomed to our school Amelia Manu and Riordan Butler (Kākāpō), Ina Manu and Nicholas Hannaford (Kotukū), Jacqueline Hannaford (Kea) and Daisy Elliott, Louis Jeffries, Jake Gregory, Ezra Perez, Winter-Rose Livingston and Oliver Sowerby to Tūi class. We know you will make all these children and their families welcome in our school.

Congratulations to Janet and Michael Whalen on the recent safe arrival of their new grandson, Angus.

2020 School Activity Contributions and School Donations:

This year we have opted in to the Government Donations scheme so you will not be invoiced for an activity contribution or school donation. You will have received a request for the Religious Education contribution, stationery and Tech (Year 7 /8). Thank you to everyone who has paid this money. Kākāpō class have also been invoiced \$125.00 for Camp.

Sports Fees need to be paid before the season begins please. This term we only have Touch Rugby and a notice will be coming home about this on Thursday.

Meet the Teacher: On Tuesday 18th February at 6.00pm we will be having a Meet the Teacher evening. We will be sharing how the Progressions based reporting works on LINC-ED and how the reporting will be changing this year. After this presentation finishes at 6.30pm there will be an informal opportunity to meet your child's teacher and visit their classroom, it is not time for a parent interview. Please make an appointment if you wish to discuss anything about your child. With the newsletter today we are sending home an information sheet about your child for you to complete and return to your child's teacher. Please do this as soon as possible as it helps your child's new teacher learn about your child.

Camp Parent Meeting: Tuesday 18th February at 7pm following the Meet the Teacher meeting. Please ensure at least one parent from your family attends this meeting.

Road Safety: At school we teach the children to abide by road safety rules and safely



*Jake Gregory
Eva Markkula Leafe
Maggie Fairfield
Winter-Rose
Livingston
Oliver Sowerby
Eva Cooper
Tialemua Lemisio*

PLEASE NOTE

For this, the first newsletter of the year, we have supplied a hard copy for every school family. In future you will only receive a hard copy if you specifically request one.

The newsletter can be read:

- on the School App,
- on the school website
- and can be emailed to anyone requesting it.

PLEASE let Janet know:

- if you would like a hard copy
- any email addresses you would like the newsletter to be sent to.

ride bikes and scooters. We ask that you help us by parking correctly when you pick up and drop off your children and also by using the pedestrian crossing outside the main school gate. No-one is to ride a bike or scooter in the school grounds. **Please be considerate of our neighbours and do not park in or over their driveways.** We will be seeking help from the Hutt City Council traffic safety officers if people continue to ignore this request.

Emergency Packs: All children need to bring their named Emergency Pack to school as soon as possible. Please refer to the details of contents later in the newsletter. Thank you to everyone who has brought their pack to school.

Swimming Sports: Senior Swimming Sports will be at McKenzie Pool on Friday 6th March. The Junior Swimming Sports will be held at McKenzie Pool this Friday 14th February. Junior children have already received a notice about these sports.

Uniform:

Thanks to everyone for supporting us by ensuring your children are in correct uniform. A few reminders:

Please read carefully our school uniform policy in regard to hair styles. There are a few borderline styles creeping in. All hair which is shoulder length or longer must be tied back and be off the child's face. Rats tails and shavings in the hair are not part of our uniform.

- All hair ribbons and hair ties should be school colours
- No nail polish
- Sports shoes are not school footwear
- All students require a Sports Uniform. Please ensure your child has one which is correct and purchased from the uniform shop. Only **plain navy blue shorts** are permitted with the Sports Uniform.

The beginning of the year is always a busy time and we ask for your support as we update our contact information. In the next couple of weeks, we will be updating our contacts lists and permissions. **Please ensure that you return to the office your updated details form.** If at any time you have a concern about your child please contact their teacher in the first instance. We encourage you to make an appointment if you wish to discuss a concern.

We appreciate that at this time of year a lot of information is sent home but it is necessary to ensure that all our processes and programmes are put in place correctly. We look forward to a term and year full of new learning experiences.

With the newsletter today are the following:

- Syndicate newsletters
- Pupil Information Sheets

On our Website you will find:

- 2020 Behaviour Management Procedures
- Pastoral Care Handbook
- Updated school policies and procedures

Rise Challenge Information will come home next week.

Reminder:

- **Inhalers – If your child has an inhaler at school could you please call in and check whether it has expired. If it has expired please provide us with a fresh one.**

Thought for the Week

"We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves." (**Pope Francis *Gaudete et Exsultate***)

God bless

Liz

R Respect

I Integrity

S Sense of Community

E Excellence



School Notices

- ◆ **Caught Being Good** - We are refining our Caught Being Good reward system. This year children will be rewarded for showing our school values with a coloured token. The tokens will be placed in our school tube and once a certain level has been reached the whole school will have a special treat. Red tokens are for RESPECT, yellow tokens for INTEGRITY, blue tokens for SENSE OF COMMUNITY and green tokens for EXCELLENCE. Tokens will be given out by staff in class, at break times and in assemblies. We are encouraging the whole school to work together in showing our school values.

We have also selected 3 Gospel stories to illustrate each of our RISE Values. These will be displayed on the RISE Values wall in each classroom and the corridor near the library. Over this term we will focus on them in the newsletter as well.

- ◆ **HELP!** If you are a parent that drops your child off at school, and could come a little earlier to help supervise our senior students out on patrol one morning a week, we would love to hear from you. Please talk to Liz if you can help



- ◆ **Thank you** to those parents who have paid their child's stationery and RE Resource donation. The amount owed to school was on the bottom of your child's stationery list. Reminders will be emailed home at the end of the week.
 - ◆ **UNIFORM** Please remember this must be paid at the time of purchase or within 2 days if paying online, unless arrangements have been made with either Janet or Liz.
 - ◆ We are continuing our recycling at school by collecting:
 - old pens, whiteboard markers, correction fluid/tape etc
 - oral health products - brushes, packaging, empty toothpaste etc
 - bread bag tags
- Kereru class are also looking for cardboard rolls, corks and yarn (need lots!).

Community Notices

- ◆ **Homegrown Kids** are recruiting Home Educators in your area!! We offer our Educators a complete wrap around service of support, knowledge, career development and community connections. Our Educators are supported to provide the best service they can. They have the flexibility of working from home with hours that suit their own families. 027 403 0255 or website www.hgk.co.nz

Regional Public Health
HAUORA A IWI KI TE UPOROKO • O TE IKA A MAUI
Better health for the greater Wellington region

FREE COMMUNITY CHILDREN'S HEARING CLINICS

2020 CLINICS

Tuesday 28th January (afternoon only)

Monday 2nd March
Monday 6th April
Monday 4th May
Monday 6th July
Monday 3rd August
Monday 7th September
Monday 5th October
Monday 2nd November
Monday 7th December

TIME	LOCATION	TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT:
Morning	Whai Oranga O Te Iwi Health Centre 7 The Strand, Wainuiomata	Call 564 6966
2-3pm	Hutt Hospital High Street, Lower Hutt	Call 570 9186
	For clinics in Upper Hutt	Call 570 9030

Catholic Social Services
people helping people āwhina tātou

**Catholic Social Services Wellington
Therapeutic Social Worker**

Part time 30 hrs per week, 4 days per week.

We are looking for an experienced Therapeutic Social Worker to join our team.

For a copy of the job description please email reception@wn.catholic.org.nz or call 385 8642.

Applications close at 5pm on Thursday 27th February 2020.

Archdiocese of Wellington

Uniform Shop

Mondays
2.45 - 3.15 pm
Tuesdays
8.45 - 9.15am

Uniform must be paid for at the time of purchase, or within 2 days if making an online payment.

School Bank Account

12 3142 0121485 00

Please note the child's name and what the payment is for when making an online payment. Thank you.



Supporting success in your school.

If you're a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you take out a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate \$500 to your chosen participating school.

\$500

ASB's lending criteria and terms apply. Fees may apply. Eligibility criteria: Documentation of the facility agreement must be done by 30 June 2020. For this promotion to apply, you must make reservation of the home loan application. Only applies to loans which are secured by residential owner-occupied property with a minimum of 20% equity. The offer is limited to one donation per new home loan. The donation will be made to the chosen school or completely drawn down of the home loan. Excludes lending through brokers. Full eligibility criteria, exclusions, terms and conditions are available at asb.co.nz/borrowing/supporting-success-in-your-school.html

ASB
ONE STEP AHEAD

From the Ministry of Education - Coronavirus

As you will have seen in the media the situation is rapidly evolving internationally concerning the coronavirus.

Children and young people are currently returning to classrooms. The health of students and staff is a priority for all. I encourage you to err on the side of caution and here are some steps you can take.

- As always anyone who is unwell should not be at school or at their early learning service. If you have a particular concern about any child, student or staff member, please urge parents or the staff member to contact Healthline at **0800 611 116** or their GP for medical advice. Healthline has translators and interpreters available **24/7 in 150 languages** and they do have Mandarin and Cantonese speaking staff available.
- If a student still attends school while showing symptoms the Principal of a state / integrated school can preclude them if they believe on reasonable grounds they may have a communicable disease (Section 19 Education Act). The student has to stay away for the infectious period of the specific disease. For private schools, Section 19 of the Education Act does not apply. Principals can request that a student with an infectious disease or is suspected of having an infectious disease, does not attend.



"On behalf of the Movin' March team at Greater Wellington Regional Council and Hutt City Council, we are pleased to announce that Sacred Heart School is the proud winner of our Early bird Prize Draw for the Hutt City area."

We have received a \$100 Prezzy Card!

Get ready for Movin' March – passports and stamps will be available from Monday March 2nd

March is Coming – Let's Get Movin'!

Make the most of the beautiful weather and encourage your child to Walk or Wheel to and from school. Explore www.movinmarch.com/parents for tips on how to build active travel into your daily routine AND there are great prizes up for grabs!

Why Movin' March?

Not only does walking or wheeling to school reduce congestion and chaos at the school gate, it also provides an opportunity to slow down and get in some quality time with our tamariki. Walking or wheeling to school solo or with friends can be a real **confidence boost**. And, as one parent put it last year, the fresh air and exercise before school helps 'get the wiggles out!'

2020 TERM DATES

Term 1 Mon 3 Feb –
Thurs 9 April

Term 2 Tues 28 April –
Fri 3 July

Teacher Only Day Fri 29
May (Queen's Birthday
Weekend)

Term 3 Mon 20 July –
Fri 25 Sept

Teacher Only Day Wed
9th Sept

Term 4 Mon 12 Oct –
Tues 15 Dec
Teacher Only Day Fri 23
Oct (Labour Weekend)



Please collect
Yummy Stickers
and **2kg Yummy bag**
labels off fruit, at
the Supermarket
for us.

We receive **FREE**
sports gear for the
school.

A collection sheet
Will be sent home,
one for each family.
Thank you!

If you have any
spare togs that
you could donate
to school for us to
keep as spares
that would be
wonderful!
Particularly larger
sizes, boys and
girls shorts.

Petone Rotary Fair Saturday 15 February

As a fundraiser for the school we do
car parking in our school grounds.
\$5.00 a car all day!

**Please, if any parents or senior
students can spare an hour or 2 to
help, this would be greatly appreciated.**
No experience required, just a big smile!

**Please let Janet (in the office) know any time you can be
available to help from 10.00am – 1.30pm.**



Fonterra Milk for Schools

We are currently updating our milk numbers.
If your child no longer wishes to drink milk at school,
please contact either Liz Heatley, Janet Whalen or their
class teacher.
Any new students who would like to drink milk please
let us know.

REMINDER - EMERGENCY PACKS

All parents/caregivers have been asked to supply an Emergency Pack that will
remain at school to provide for their child/children if the need arises (eg
Lockdown). Please ensure that your child has their emergency pack at school
as soon as possible. At the end of the year we will return the container and
contents for you to refresh for the following year.

EMERGENCY FOOD PACK

Pack all the following into an icecream container or similar
and **name** clearly.

- 1 small tin meal (approx 400gms, tear tops are great)
- 1 small tin of fruit (approx 400gms, tear tops are great)
- 3 snack items 6 – 10 barley sugars (wrapped)
- 1 plastic spoon



A warm
welcome to all
our new
students and
staff, and to
their families.

Absent: Teacher
Katy Grant and
Teacher Aide
Alyse Veltman.

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JUNIOR SYNDICATE NEWSLETTER – TERM 1 2020

Kia ora Nga Whānau.

Welcome back to school everyone, especially the new families who are joining our community for the first time. We are really looking forward to another exciting year. This year the Junior Team has Onieka Tristram in Ruru, Danika Bloxham in Kea, Liz McNeill in Kererū, Maree Mahony and Jacqui Pennington are team teaching in Tūi class. We also have Julia Havell as our specialist teacher, Kate Mooney as the Reading Recovery teacher and Helen Kneebone, Kathryn McMillan, Anna Wilson and Anne Horrocks supporting in classes as teacher aides. We also welcome Jenna Gadd and Alyse Veltman as new support staff to our school.

Term 1 is a summer term so please make sure you have a school sunhat to keep at school and wear summer uniform. Everyone needs to have correct school **PE uniform**. This is worn for weekly PE sessions, school sports days and some trips. Our uniform shop is open on Mondays after school and Tuesdays before school if you need any uniform items throughout the term. Please remember to name all items of clothing especially school jerseys. All classes have sunscreen available but please help keep everyone sunsmart by applying sunscreen at home each morning.

We have just about completed our 2 weeks of swimming lessons and our **Junior swimming sports** morning is on Friday 14th February 9.30am til 11am. We will be having a free sausage sizzle for all swimmers and would appreciate as much help as possible.

Helping at school- If there is any adult in your family that can spare some time during the week please see your child's teacher or Jacqui. There is a wide variety of things that you can help with.

Everyone will now have their **reading diaries** coming home Monday to Thursday. Please keep up the good practice of reading with your child each night, signing and returning them to school. These are a good communication tool as well.

RE- This term we will cover Prayer, Jesus, Lent and Easter. Finishing the term with our whole school Easter Play.

Communication- please check the whiteboard each week for special dates and reminders. Each teacher will also email home an overview of the week ahead with reminders and what's happening in their room. We will be reporting on your child's progress and achievement through our digital LINC-ED system and there is an information evening Tuesday 18th Feb 6pm in our hall.

We look forward to working with you all this year, if you have any questions or concerns please contact us or pop into school to arrange a suitable time to talk.

Nga mihi,

Junior Team Teachers

Sacred Heart Petone School

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SENIOR SYNDICATE NEWSLETTER – TERM 1 2020

Nga mihi mahana ki a koutou.

Nau mai, haere mai. Warmest greetings to 2020. On behalf of our Senior Team - Fo'i Bell in Kōtuku, Penny Martell and Jenny Mahony in Pūkeko and myself Whaea Katy Grant in Kākāpō, we extend a warm welcome to parents new to Sacred Heart School Petone and to our returning families.

The first few weeks of Term One will be very much a time of getting to know your children, assessing individual levels and establishing class and syndicate routines.

Sunsmart Term 1 is a summer term so please make sure you have a school sunhat to keep at school and wear summer uniform. All classes have sunscreen available but please help keep everyone sunsmart by applying sunscreen at home each morning. Please remember that our school is a **WATER ONLY** school. Please make sure your child brings only water in their drink bottles and they may bring them into class as advised by their class teacher.

Everyone needs to have correct school **PE uniform**. This is worn for weekly PE sessions, school sports days and some trips. Our uniform shop is open on Mondays after school and Tuesdays before school if you need any uniform items throughout the term. Any issues around uniform, we would appreciate your child having a note to explain.

We have just about completed our 2 weeks of swimming lessons and our **Senior swimming sports** will be on Friday 6 March. The Senior students will join the Junior swimming sports on Friday 14 February from 11.15 to 12.15 pm. There will be a free sausage sizzle.

RE- This term we will cover Prayer, School Charism, Jesus, Lent, Caritas and Easter. Finishing the term with our whole school Easter Play.

Communication- Each teacher will also email home an overview of the week ahead with reminders and what's happening in their room. We will be reporting on your child's progress and achievement through our digital LINC-ED system and there is an information evening Tuesday 18th Feb 6pm in our hall.

Homework routines Maths homework will be set by your teacher in the provided knowledge books. Students are also encouraged to read between 20 to 30 minutes a night and a reading reflection may be given by individual class teachers.

HOMEWORK DIARIES: Homework diaries will be sent home each night except Fridays. This will also be a method of communication between home and school tasks and notes for each individual class. Please ensure you check these as they come home.

We look forward to working with you all this year, if you have any questions or concerns please contact us or pop into school to arrange a suitable time to talk.

Ma te Atua koutou e manaakitia mai
God bless

Senior Team Teachers
Fo'i, Penny, Jenny and Katy



Sacred Heart School Petone

Evacuation Procedures

In the event of a major Civil Defence Emergency (tsunami, flooding etc), and we need to evacuate the school, the following procedures will occur.

- Classes will evacuate the school and walk to higher ground in Maungaraki. A map of the route is attached.
- Teachers will make the call to evacuate immediately in a severe earthquake.
- If time permits the older children will be buddied up with younger children. All extra staff and parents at school will also be assisting younger children.
- Our initial meeting place will be opposite the playground on the corner of Magnolia Grove and Dowse Drive. There is a large driveway or grass berm area where we will meet (this will save crossing the busy road).
- If necessary we will then move further up the hill to Maungaraki School/Community Centre.
- Each class teacher/principal/office manager has an emergency 'grab bag' which will be taken. This contains all emergency contact details and medical information, along with other CD requirements.
- Children will ONLY be permitted to leave the evacuation site with an adult identified as the child's Emergency Civil Defence Contact. Children will not be permitted to travel home without an accompanying adult.
- Internet/Mobile network permitting we will notify you that we have evacuated the school.
- Evacuation signs will be posted on the school door.

