



New Brighton Catholic School
(Mary Immaculate)
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Newsletter/Pānui 24

Term 3, Week 5: 21 August 2014

Dear Parents/Caregivers, Whānau, Aiga, Kainga, and Friends

Tues 26 Aug	9am Yr 7/8 Council lecture
Wed 27 Aug	1.30pm Rm 2-6 CNB production
Fri 29 Aug	9.30am Rm 4-6 Cricket
	Hagley winter sport ends
Wed 3 Sept	12.30pm Yr 3-8 Cultural Festival
Mon 8 Sept	9.30am Yr 7/8 St John emerg. response
Tues 9 Sept	8.45 am NE/Parent morning
Tues-Wed 9-10 Sept	Yr 7&8 PYDT 2-day leadership course
Fri 12 Sept	Catholic Schools Sports Tournament
	Rm 4-6 visit School of Gymnastics
	PTFA School Disco
Thurs 18 Sept	Hearing and Vision testing
Fri 26 Sept	2.45 pm Term 3 ends
Mon 13 Oct	8.45 am Term 4 starts
Tues 21 Oct	7 pm BOT meeting – meeting room
Mon 27 Oct	Labour Day – school closed
Wed 29 Oct	Yr 5-8 Beach Ed
	Choir at CSMF 7pm Horncastle Arena
Wed 12 Nov	Yr 0-3 A&P Show
Thurs 13 Nov	Staff Only Day
Fri 14 Nov	Show Day – school closed
Thurs 27 Nov	International Evening
Tues 2 Dec	7 pm BOT meeting – meeting room
Thurs 4 Dec	PTFA Twilight Market
Mon 8 Dec	Feast Day
Fri 12 Dec	Final School Mass

Board of Trustees Meetings: You are most welcome to attend BOT meetings which are held at 7 pm in the Meeting Room on Tuesday 21 October and Tuesday 2 December.

Assembly: Rm 1 is the Assembly Class for prayers tomorrow.

NBC Footsteps Virtue T3 Wks 6: Caring Towards Others

All people are precious in the sight of God/Te Atua
Religious Education Curriculum NZ

At New Brighton Catholic School we are Caring to others. Caring for others is showing respect, love and attention to other people. This comes from the way that we speak to them or in the way we act towards them. Caring comes from within our hearts. Caring people take the interests of others as their own. They do all that they can to show people that they are loved and valued. Caring people help others when they are sick, weak or hurt, not because they have to or because it is their job. Mother Teresa spent her life caring for people who needed a bit of help and love. She started each day in communion with Jesus in the Eucharist and then went out, rosary in her hand, to find and serve him. She looked after *The unwanted, the unloved and the uncared for*. Jesus explained how we should care for others in the story of the Good Samaritan. How can we be like Mother Teresa and the Good Samaritan in our actions and our words?

Dear God, give me the strength to reach out to others in need. May each of us discover our gifts and use them to make the lives of others a little easier. May we always be willing to make sacrifices for the benefit of our fellow human beings and do this in loving service to one another as Jesus taught us. Amen

Welcome/Nau Mai

We welcome
Wiremu Pontifex-Duggan (and
Shannon & Pita) to our school
community.
Wiremu joins us in Rm 5.



Congratulations

Lilly Hogan's baby sister arrived safely. Congratulations to Samantha & Alexander and family.

Cantamath 2014

Last night our Intermediate (Y7&8) mathematicians took part in the annual Cantamath competition at Horncastle Arena. It was a night of high energy and drama as children from all over Christchurch battled it out for the title of *Top Math Team* for 2014. The competition involved teams of four sitting around a desk solving as many problems as they could in 30 minutes. Each team had a runner whose job was to collect questions. Once a team had the answer they then sent the runner back to the judges, and either got a *Yes* and 5 points, or a *No*. The latter meant the runner had to return to their team to try and solve the problem again. Teams were allowed to *pass* on a question after two attempts. We should all be incredibly happy with the way our teams performed not just academically, but also in the manner in which they carried themselves.

I felt a real sense of pride as I watched Neko Tohiariki, Jackson Gutry, Tom Horton-Davey, and Yvete Delizo,



Ah-Li Fenika, Tommy Taurima, Louis Spahn, and Lasela Sumner calmly do their best and keep a smile on their faces during the competition. Many thanks to Tracy Spahn and Dianne Gutry for kindly helping the teams get to and from the event. *Bernard Adams*

Dyslexia Information

On Monday staff attended NZEI's information evening on Dyslexia Understanding and Action. It was extremely informative on how dyslexia affects learning and what we can do to support the children. Our teachers and teacher aides have already put into practice many of these strategies and are continually working to support our pupils' different learning styles. For information about dyslexia, visit www.dyslexiafoundation.org.nz *Nicole Buckley*

Christchurch Schools' Music Festival Preferential ticket orders can be made through the school. An order form and information went home with each choir member yesterday. Spare forms in the Office. Our Choir performs 7 pm on 29 October at the Horncastle Arena. Adult: \$16.00 Children: \$6.00. All orders must be returned to school by Monday 25 August. *Karena Johnson*

Basketball next Tuesday - the Yr 7/8 NBC Saints will be competing in a semi final match at Cowles Stadium at 4 pm against the South New Brighton Thunder. Good luck team! *Nick Gray*

Room 6

The dog called Anna had something to do. She put on her spy clothes and she set off to her spy job. The dog Anna is doing her spy job. It was catching a thief and she thought that it was a good job.
Honour Richardson (Rm 6)

Curriculum Review: Reading

Over the last few months the teachers have been looking at how we teach, timetable, deliver and promote reading in our school, and I liaised with parents, children and staff to get their understanding, views and input. The Review was presented at the last BOT meeting. Parents asked about finding out about the National Curriculum and the National Standards, and how to support reading at home. Go to the *Our Learning* drop down menu on our website, choose *Supporting Your Child's Learning* and you will find the MOE guidelines by year level. For other resources to help children learn and achieve in reading, writing, and maths, visit

<http://nzcurriculum.tki.org.nz/National-Standards/Supporting-parents-and-whanau>

I am compiling a reading information booklet for parents/caregivers to support children's reading at home which will be available soon. Below are details of a session on *Supporting Reading at Home* that we are organising.

Please visit NBC's website and read the Review which has our findings, recommendations and next steps. Thank you to all those involved in the Review, especially the parents who took the time to complete the questionnaire.
Nicole Buckley

Supporting Reading at Home for Parents/Caregivers

On Wednesday 17 September Carolyn Bolland (Resource Teacher of Literacy) is running a session for parents/caregivers on how to help your child's reading at home. This will give you an overview on routines to put in place, vocabulary to use, prompts to assist you when your child is stuck, and give you an opportunity to see modelled reading. Please return the form below to the Office counterslot, indicating which time would suit you best, by Friday 29 August.
Nicole Buckley

God Bless/Atua Whakapai

Deb Daines

Principal

How to Support Reading at Home on Wednesday 17 September

I would prefer to attend (please tick your preference)

1.30-2.30 am session

7-8 pm session

Name:

Number attending:

School Community

Book Missing: *Catching Fire* is white with a bronze bird with a bronze circle around, and a 3D wolf book mark on its side. If found, please return to Willow in Rm 1.

PTFA

Disco - Friday 12 September: Disco in the school hall. Lollies, drinks, sausage sizzle and disco merchandise available for purchase. Room 6 for parents with wine and beer for sale. Gold coin entry per family.

Junior disco (Years 1-4): 5.30-6.30pm

Senior disco (Years 5-8): 7-8pm.

If you would like to help on the Senior or Junior discos please let a PTFA member know as a roster of jobs will be available soon.

Twilight Christmas Market 4 December 2014: There will be a craft market with stalls available for our school community to sell their wares. A child's stall will be \$5, and adults \$20. It's not too early to think about getting a stall together!

Second-hand Uniform: Any donations would be kindly appreciated, especially as we move into summer uniform next term. See Angela Millar, or Erica Reynolds (027 326 7028).

Lunch next Thursday 28 August: Subway \$5

Orders and correct money in the blue tin in the Library by 9am Wednesday.

Parish

catholicparishchcheast@gmail.com

Sunday Mass

St Mary's 10.30 am Sunday

St James 5 pm Saturday / 9 am Sunday

Parish Dates

18 Sept Parent meeting for children being baptised.

17-19 Oct Bishop Barry visiting

9 Nov First Holy Communion

Attendance Dues: Term 3's. *Fr Bryan Parish* 388 9020

Community

On the Library noticeboard:

- Gut Busta – The Toughest, Muddiest Kids Race Ever! A multi sport race for Yr 1-8 Sunday 28 Sept
- Burwood Park Tennis Club *Hot Shots* tennis for kids
- Youth Alive Trust *Guys Day Out* 6 September
- World Football Academy *Breakfast with Raymond Verheijen*
- Shirley Tennis junior open day 30 August
- MHERC invitation to a catered focus group re wellbeing support in NB – dates on noticeboard



All forms in the Office counterslot by tomorrow, please
Goldilocks and The Three Bears

Student's Name: Room:

We would like tickets, please.

Signed:

Note: Parental guardian required on the day