



St Francis Xavier Catholic School

To Love, To Learn and To Serve
Kia Aroha, Kia Akona, Kia Aro Atu

No. 2 Term 2 Rāpare-Thursday 27th May - Haratua - 2021

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends of our School,

Sometimes things just start to fall into place and it's a really good feeling. The expression "if it's going to be, then it is meant to be" sums this up nicely.

An example of this is the great work that 42 schools in the Whangarei district are doing around the topic of wellbeing. Five years ago we began a journey to create a Kāhui Ako, Community of Learning, in Whangarei and one of the three Achievement Challenges was to address the wellbeing of children in our schools and community. Obviously, this is a massive undertaking but schools such as ours are developing plans and actions to address various concerns. Included with this newsletter is an update by our Across School Leaders detailing more about this programme and some of the projects that we have started.

Another example was the opportunity to start a music class this year. Ms Malone teaches this class three days a week and the lessons have been a big hit with the children and teaching staff. Now music is snowballing at our school.

At lunchtime on Fridays we have yet another opportunity for children to learn an instrument and the tutor is Clare Ellis, a flautist and chamber musician. Clare has agreed to give children at school a short performance at this Friday's assembly and she will be available afterwards if any parents would like further information.

Please see Clare's advertisement below.



World Environment and Non Uniform Day: On Thursday the 3rd of June we are running two events simultaneously. We will be inviting children to wear mufti (now referred to as non uniform) and bring along a can of food so that we can support the St Vincent de Paul Society and also Soul Food in caring for families and people in need of food this winter. In addition to this, we will be celebrating World Environment Day and classes of children will be involved in planting, gardening, repairing and tidying our school grounds.

Staff Only Day: We hope that you have remembered that we have a **Staff Only Day on Friday 4th of June.** School will be closed for students on this day.

Craig McKernan - Principal

Religious Education

This Sunday's Reading: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
Deuteronomy 4: 32-34, 39-40; Romans 8: 14-17; Matthew 28: 16-20

Thought for the Week:

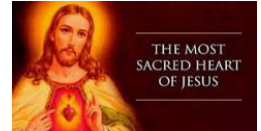
"You can win more friends with your ears than with your mouth."
James 1: 19b Let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger.

Our bring a can No Uniform day is on Thursday 3rd of June 2021

Non-uniform days are when children may wear regular clothes instead of uniform to school, for a donation. This time we are asking for non-perishable food items that will be given to St Vincent de Paul and Soul Food.

Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus School Mass

You are warmly invited to come and join us in celebrating the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Friday 11th June at 1:30pm, with a Mass.



Pastoral Care Basket

Our Pastoral Care Basket is situated underneath the statue of Mary in the school office area. Non-perishable food items placed in this basket go towards a family in need, in our community.

Classes attending a Tuesday Mass at 9:00am

If you are able to, you are welcome to come and join your child's class when they attend Mass on Tuesday morning.

Week 5	Kauri 1st June Room 2 Room 1	Yr 1 Tracey Barber Yr 5&6 Jane Gunson
Week 6	Karaka 8th June Room 20 Room 17	Yr 5&6 Sharon Wendt Yr 4 Rose Johnson
Week 7	Karaka 15th June Room 18 Room 19	Yr 5&6 Jenny Bassett Yr 2 Daniella Nieddu
Week 8	Rimu 22nd June Room 21 Room 23	Yr 2 Jacqui Taylor Yr 4 Karwyn Werder
Week 9	Rimu 29th June Room 8 Room 22	Yr 1 Michelle Matthews Yr 5&6 Deb Hepi

Yours in Christ

Mrs Maria Wilson

DRS - Director of Religious Studies

2021 TERM DATES

TERM TWO:

Monday 3rd May to Friday 9th July

TERM THREE:

Monday 26th July to Friday 1st October

TERM FOUR:

Monday 18th October to Tuesday 14th December

STAFF ONLY DAYS TO NOTE

4th June Term 2 - Staff Only Day

27th and 30th August Term 3 - Staff Only Day



to these students who have started recently in our school.
Arapetapaiake Grace, Connor McDermott,
Mason Pratt and Isla Smith-Godfrey.

WINTER UNIFORM

Now that things are settling down, we do expect all the children to be in correct winter uniform.

Our uniform shoes are flat, black, polishable shoes

not sneakers or basketball boots.

We wear navy socks, **not tights**, in winter.

There is a good selection of uniforms in our uniform pool. These can be purchased with a small donation.

Email Mrs J glenys@sfx.school.nz with your child's name, class, size and which items you require.

We even have some school shoes.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Te Rauroha Paki who competed in the Golden Homes Swimfest 2021 over the weekend. He achieved 4 firsts, one 2nd place, one 3rd place and one 5th place. HE WAS FIRST OVERALL WINNER FOR HIS AGE GROUP.

Saturday Night Mass Times

Did you know that Saturday night 6pm Mass has now changed to 5pm. This will take place Saturday the 5th of June and will run through till the end of August.

Good-bye to Cheques

Our school bank has notified us that cheques are being phased out by many banking institutions. If you are paying your school donations or for the New Entrant stationery, we only accept cash but we do have the EFTPOS facility at the school office. You can also process any automatic payments online through your bank account. Our school account details are noted on the school account we send out.

Deborah Rudolph
Office Manager



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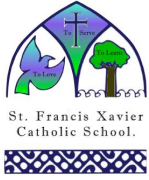


Friday 4th June - School closed for tuition. Staff only day.



Monday 7th June - School closed for instruction. Queen's Birthday Holiday.





SCHOOL EVENTS

Dates and times for events are subject to change.

Please check this fortnightly newsletter for any changes.

May

26th	8:45am	Baptism Programme - held in Staffroom
28th	Swimming	Room 16 Leave school 9am Lesson at 9:15am Room 13 Leave school at 9:30am Lesson at 9:45am Room 23 Leave school at 10am Lesson at 10:15am Room 4 Leave school at 10:30am Lesson at 10:45am Room 11 Leave school at 11am Lesson at 11:15am Room 17 Leave school at 11:30am Lesson at 11:45am
28th	1:30pm	Whole School Assembly

June

1st	Swimming	Room 16 Leave school 9am Lesson at 9:15am Room 13 Leave school at 9:30am Lesson at 9:45am Room 23 Leave school at 10am Lesson at 10:15am Room 4 Leave school at 10:30am Lesson at 10:45am Room 11 Leave school at 11am Lesson at 11:15am Room 17 Leave school at 11:30am Lesson at 11:45am
2nd		Yr 5&6 WPSSA Winter Tournament
3rd		No Uniform Day-Non-uniform days are when children may wear regular clothes instead of uniform to school, for a donation of a non-perishable item.
4th		SCHOOL CLOSED FOR TUITION- Staff only day
7th		SCHOOL CLOSED FOR INSTRUCTION - Queen's Birthday
8th	Swimming	Room 16 Leave school 9am Lesson at 9:15am Room 13 Leave school at 9:30am Lesson at 9:45am Room 23 Leave school at 10am Lesson at 10:15am Room 4 Leave school at 10:30am Lesson at 10:45am Room 11 Leave school at 11am Lesson at 11:15am Room 17 Leave school at 11:30am Lesson at 11:45am
9th	8:45am	Baptism Programme - held in Staffroom
9th		PTFA SAUSAGE SIZZLE \$2 (please place your order with the class teacher at the start of the day)
11th	1:30pm	Feast of Sacred Heart Mass
14th	8:45am	Baptism Programme - held in Church
16th	7pm	PTFA AGM Meeting in the Staffroom
16th	1:30pm	He Kākano Programme
22nd	5:45pm	BOT Meeting
23rd	1:30pm	He Kākano Programme
27th	10:00am	Rimu Whanau Mass - everyone welcome
30th	1:30pm	He Kākano Programme

July

2nd		No Uniform Day-Non-uniform days are when children may wear regular clothes instead of uniform to school, for a donation of a gold coin.
7th	1:30pm	He Kākano Programme
7th	1:30 - 6pm	Parent, Teacher, Student Meet and Greet
8th	1:30 - 6pm	Parent, Teacher, Student Meet and Greet
9th	1:30pm	Whole School Assembly
9th		Last day of Term 2