



16 August 2017

Kia ora te whanau,

Catholic Character

The Rosary - a prayer for all

In the lead up to the Feast of the Assumption we have been learning about Mary's life and how she is an example to us all. One of the Marist Charisms is 'In the Way of Mary' – living your life in a way that reflects Mary's example to us all. One of the ways to reflect on Mary's life as a mother is to pray the Rosary focusing on the 5 Joyful Mysteries. These Mysteries are The Annunciation of the Angel to Mary, The visitation of Mary to Elizabeth, The Nativity of Jesus in Bethlehem, The presentation of Jesus to the Temple and The finding of Jesus in the Temple. During school prayers last week we made a set of Rosary beads out of our students and prayed together the first Joyful Mystery in remembrance of Fr Ron's mother.



Celebrating 200 years of Marist Brothers contribution to education

On Sunday 13th August PJ and Brontë and I attended a very special mass celebrating the Marist Brothers contribution to Wellington Catholic Education. Brontë and PJ received a special plaque on our school's behalf, which we will display in our foyer. Our school has a very unique history as we have moved five times, Hill Street, Bouclott St, Hawkestone St, Guildford Tce, and now in Wilton. Although we are no longer called Marist we still have very strong ties to this wonderful history through Br Doug and Br Kevin.



Assumption of Mary –Our School Feast Day

Yesterday we celebrated the Feast of the Assumption, a holy day of obligation and our school feast day. We celebrated a lovely mass with Fr Sanele at St Thomas More Church and it was wonderful to see so many parishioners who chose to join with us. After weeks of preparing activities for our feast day our Room 1 students became the teachers for the afternoon. In whanau groups our children created dances and plays that told the Assumption story, took part in treasure hunts, played quizzes and made a life sized image of Mary. We finished our day with a presentation of a bookmark from the Marist Brothers and an ice block from the PTA



Ra whanau kia koe ... To Sophia, who celebrates her birthday on 18 Aug, and to Zoe, whose birthday is on the 21 Aug.

Ngā Rerenga Kōrero — Maori Phrase of the Week

whiti(a): shine
E whiti ana te rā—The sun is *shining*.

Ngā mihi nui, Tania Savage

- Welcome
- Nau Mai Haere Mai
- Fáilte
- 欢迎
- Maligayang pagdating
- Welkom
- Willkommen
- Добро пожаловать
- Afio mai
- Malo e lelei
- Selamat datang
- Bienvenida
- Ahlan Wa Sahlan
- Velkommen
- Salam
- Croeso
- Youkoso
- Mabuhay

Upcoming Dates—Term 3

- Week 4**
- Tues** 15/8 Assumption of Mary – School Feast Day
- Pizza lunch
- 9:15am Mass
- Activities throughout the day to celebrate our school
- Wed** 16/8 Walking School Bus from Otari
- 9am School Prayers
- Thurs** 17/8 10am-11am Dance Splash
- R1 Curry Lunch orders in
- Week 5**
- Tues** 22/8 Pizza lunch
- Western Zones Swimming Sports
- Wed** 23/8 Walking School Bus from Otari
- 9am School Prayers
- 10am-11am Dance Splash R1
- Thurs** 24/8 Curry Lunch orders in
- Mandarin Lessons
- 6:30pm PTA School Quiz
- Fri** 25/8 School Dental Van arrives
- Week 6**
- School Dental Van here all week
- Mon** 28/8 12:30pm-4pm Net Safe
- Teacher training
- Parent information evening NET SAFE (Time to be confirmed)
- Tues 29/8 Pizza lunch
- Wed** 30/8 Walking School Bus from Otari

2017 Terms :

Term 3
Mon 24 July — Fri 29 Sept

Term 4
Mon 16 Oct — Tues 19 Dec
Teacher Only Day Tues 24 Oct

Daffodil day

On Friday 25 of August we will be wearing a touch of yellow to school to celebrate Daffodil Day. Please bring a gold coin donation and receive a daffodil to wear. Cancer touches so many lives and the Cancer Society is a wonderful resource that we are pleased to support.

PTA Annual Quiz Fundraiser - Raffle tickets now available!

As part of our fundraising efforts the PTA invite you to our Annual Quiz Night.

When: Thursday 24th August 7.00-9.30pm

Where: Cardinal McKeefry School Hall 66 Albemarle Road, Wilton Price: \$20 per ticket (Includes raffle Entry) BYO: Drink, Glassware and nibbles. Pizza will be available for pre-order.

Teams will be made up of around six players (we are flexible). We would like to have at least 80 tickets sold to make this evening a success. Remember the teams don't have to be from our school community, our quiz is open to friends, family, workmates and neighbours.



Auction Alert—Weekend Getaway at a bach in Waikanae!

We will be auctioning off a wonderful weekend away at a bach in Waikanae at the Quiz Night.

To book your tickets please either fill in the google form <https://goo.gl/forms/tuQL2392Obd4ryQx2>, or email the PTA at admin@cardinalmckeefry.school.nz with the number of tickets you would like and if you are forming your own team or would like the PTA to organise a team for you. You will be sent out payment instructions.

Raffle Tickets

Paula and Rachel will be selling tickets after school this Friday for the Quiz Night. \$2 per ticket, or 3 for \$5. Please bring cash, or pay online to the PTA.

Prizes include High Tea for Two at the Bolton Hotel, Family Pass to Zealandia, Beauty Pack from Florence, and a \$20 Voucher from Sweet Cakery.

The new Digital Technologies Curriculum:

Here is an opportunity for you as parents and whānau to have your say on the draft document recently released by the Ministry of Education on Digital Technologies | Hangarau Matihiko. If you can attend any of the evening workshops in your region, please do, as we are told these workshops are particularly valuable for anyone who may find the digital world a bit of a mystery. This document is about strengthening the technology strand of the New Zealand Curriculum and the wāhanga ako for Hangarau in Te Marautanga o Aotearoa from 2018. It is relevant for all students from the ages of 5 – 18 (Year 1 – Year 13).

Community Evening 6:30pm – 8pm August 16th Level 2 Maturanga House, Ministry of Education .

Use this link to book: http://www.conference.co.nz/moe17/other_events/digital_technologies/information

Winter Netball

Netball Draw for Saturday 19 August

St Ts/CMK Hot Shots plays at 8.30am at VUW Ct 2

St Ts/CMK Torandos plays at 9.20 at Marsden Ct 1.

The Year 6 (B grade) Thunderbolts are playing at 10.10 am on VUW Ct 4 and the Cyclones at 11.00am on VUW Court 3.

The Year 5 - Cherry Bombs - play at 10.10am at Marsden Ct 2. [Wellington West Netball](http://www.wellingtonwestnetball.com) has a website where you can find information about the competition, including draws and results. Check it out at http://websites.sportstg.com/club_info.cgi?c=1-7022-101560-0-0&SID=186899

Library News

We have some exciting new books recently added to our school library. Check out the carousel on the WebOpac. You can access this on the school website under the Parents and Caregivers Tab.

Otari Parish News

Climate Consensus Coalition Aotearoa

Climate Consensus Coalition Aotearoa - (www.climateconsensus.nz) is seeking Otari parishioners' support for a climate change action plan to be advocated to Parliament. It is widely supported by individuals and by organisations, including the Catholic Archdiocese of Wellington. This Action Plan proposes a Goal and a Process to effect the Paris Accord signed by 196 nations in December 2015.

Its key elements include:

- An Integrated Emissions-Reduction Plan
- Zero net carbon emissions by no later than 2055
- Cross-Party Political Agreement
- Other Climate Change initiatives.

Please view the full statement and action plan (www.climateconsensus.nz) and consider registering your support.