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From the Board of Trustees:

The NZEI has advised the St Francis of Assisi Board of Trustees that the principal and teachers at our school will be taking strike action on Wednesday 15 August 2018 for the full day. The Board has carefully considered the availability of teaching staff, and unfortunately decided that we can't provide the normal teaching services during the strike.

It is important that you make alternative arrangements for the care of your child/children on the day of the strike as the school will need to close during this strike.

I know that this is inconvenient for parents and students alike, but please be assured that student safety is our main concern.

Thank you for your understanding. Please contact me if you have any queries relating to this decision.

God bless

Jonathan MacKenzie (Board Chairperson)



Why are we striking?

Both primary teachers and principals are determined to send a strong message to the Government and demand change so our students can have a teacher in every classroom, the learning support they need and teachers are recognised as the professionals they are. [You can read more about what we're asking for here.](#)

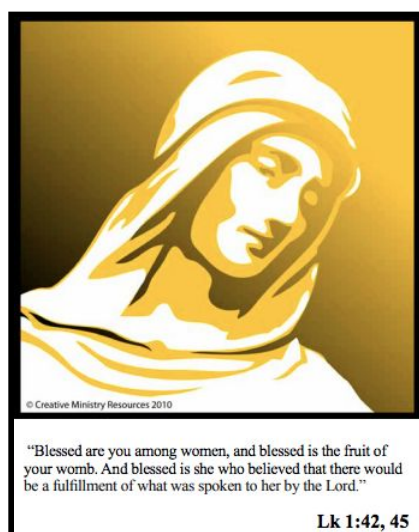
Both primary teachers and principals feel [the Ministry's June offers](#) did not address workload issues, extra learning support or ways to stem the growing crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers.

Both primary teachers and principals voted overwhelmingly in June to reject the Ministry's offers and to hold three-hour strikes on 15 August. The feeling was so strong that the National Executive then balloted to replace the 3-hour strikes with full-day strikes. Both groups of members have now voted to undertake the full-day strikes on 15 August.

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Feast of the Assumption 15th August

On the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (to use the fancy name for this day), we remember when Mary was taken (“assumed”) into heaven, body and soul, after she died. You will not find this story in the Bible. However, a tradition handed down from the earliest days of the Church says that Mary died in Jerusalem and was buried in a tomb. But when the apostles opened the tomb again, her body was gone. Why would God take Mary’s body and soul into heaven? In part because Mary is special to God: she said “yes” to becoming the mother of Jesus. But God also wanted to show us that one day, all of us will share in the bodily resurrection of Jesus. Mary is the first person in the Church to experience the resurrection in its fullness.



We are having our Assumption school Mass on Tuesday at 11.15am in the library. You are most welcome to join us.

Principal Awards

Kākano	Paiaka	Tumu	Kaupeka
Emilie Sweeney Sophie Lingard Freya Wall Micah Nelson Caleb Kelly Charlotte Nelson Louie North Neve O’Connell	James Ellenbroek Tama Entwistle Natalia Jackson Corrine Esposito Ari Keown Dakota Rodgers-Green	Luca van den Heever Jayden Sequeira Natalie Stack Aidan Walshe Emily Chambers Harry Haines Hayun Lee Maia Bagnall	Hamish Adriaens James Goggin Nazarine Flores Anabelle Brown Josh Cuzin Claudia Snelgar

What’s Coming up? - He aha kei tua?

[Link to School Events Calendar](#)

Save the Dates! (we will add to this as other events are planned)

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Term 3	Week 4	Last week of Winter Sport Tuesday 14 August School Mass Celebration of the Feast of the Assumption. (Instead of 15 August) Thursday 16/8 BOT Meeting in Staffroom. Thursday 16/8 Last day of weekly Winter Sport.
	Week 5	Wed 22/8 Sausage sizzle Wed 22/8 PTA Meeting in Staffroom Wed 22/8 Cantamath Team Competition Y7 4pm, Y8 5pm Thursday 23/8 Canterbury Primary Schools Winter Tournament Friday 24/8 SFOA Quiz Night
	Week 6	Wed 29/8 Sausage sizzle Wed 29/8 Strum Strike Blow Festival 7pm Thurs/ Fri 30/31 Last day for Year 5 - 8 basketball.
	Week 7	Swimming Lessons at Graham Condon (Whole School) Tues 4/9 Cultural Festival Practice (morning) Wed 5/9 Sausage sizzle Wed 5/9 Cultural Festival Night performance
	Week 8	Swimming Lessons (Whole School) Wed 12/9 Sausage sizzle
	Week 9	Koru Games (Tues, Wed, Thurs) Year 7/8 Friday 21/9 Tumu Art Trips Fri 21/9 Year 7/8 water polo finishes for the term.
	Week 10	Tues 25/9 Kākano and Paiaka performance 11:00 - 1:00 and 6:00 - 8:00pm. Times may vary slightly. This will be confirmed later. Wed 26/9 Catholic Schools Lit Quiz @ St Francis Thurs 27/9 Tumu and Kaupeka performances 11:00 - 1:00 and 6:00 - 8:00pm. Times may vary slightly. This will be confirmed later. Thurs 27/9 Sports Awards. Friday 28/9 Tumu Art Trips No Subway lunchonline orders this week

From the Principal:

It has been a week of celebrating our children's learning! This week we have enjoyed sharing the wonderful writing of some of our younger students. Here is a paragraph from a fable shared with us by Elisha Brocherie (Year 4) this week:



The Fox and the Ladybugs
A long, long time ago in a far away land,
there was a meadow of happiness. It was a
place where the birds chirped happily in
the tree tops and the daisys sang sweetly
in the breeze. A place where kindness was
shared every where and nobody was unkind.

Our Jump Jam Team in action filming their routine for the competition.



Message from our Environment Team

The Environment team will be holding a bake sale to fundraise for a new vegetable garden.

There will be a sale on the 14th August for Kakano and Paiaka Hubs and on the 16th August for Tumu and Kaupeka. All items will range from \$1.00 - \$3.00, so bring along your loose change. Thanks



School Notices - *Ngā pānui a te kura*

Lost Property

Monique Riddle has lost her black Kathmandu puffer jacket, please return to the office if found.

Connor Smith has lost his new School Jacket also his bag with his sports uniform and shoes in. Please return if found.

Christchurch Schools Music Festival

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Students in our School choir from **Years 5-8** will be participating in this year's Christchurch Schools Music Festival on **Wednesday 24th October**. Tickets are on sale from the beginning of this Term. You can buy tickets from Ticketek – either online or from Ticketek outlets.

Adult tickets cost \$22.00 and school age children are \$10.00 so the whole family should be able to support. [Full details are available here on the Festival website.](#)

School Jackets

The latest school jacket order is expected to be delivered in the next few weeks.

If you would like to order a school jacket, please fill out the following form:

<https://goo.gl/forms/9Um9FoSSG4u9ZEUy2>

Road safety at the school gate

Road safety at the school gate

From Monday 20 August to Friday 31 August 2018, the Council will be conducting an education and enforcement programme at St Francis of Assisi School.

This is supported by the Police and we will be at the school gates from 8.20am to 9.15am, and again from 2.20pm to 3.15pm on these days.

The purpose of our visit is to ensure the safety of children, parents, staff and other road users by promoting safe parking and driving behaviour at the school gates and nearby.

We will be in full uniform and visible at all times around the school entrance to discourage illegal parking

If any parking offences are observed during the first week, our parking compliance officers will speak to the driver if they are parked in an unsafe manner or exceeding the time restrictions and record the vehicle registration. If the vehicle is observed committing an offence after receiving a warning then an infringement notice will be posted to the registered Owner

During the second week if any offences are observed, officers will record the vehicle details and take photos of the offence and offending vehicle. An infringement notice will be posted to the registered owner. These offences may include parking on yellow lines, blocking a vehicle entrance, parking on a marked bus stop and exceeding the posted parking time limit.

Follow these tips to help create a safe environment around the school:

1. Plan your drop off and pick up times so you do not exceed any time restrictions.
2. Choose a safe parking area to drop off and pick up.
3. Look out for all parking restrictions near the school.
4. Be aware of other road users, such as buses, cyclists and pedestrians crossing the road.
5. Keep to the speed limits and slow down when approaching the pedestrian crossing.

Thank you for your support

"Safety is as simple as ABC...Always Be Careful"



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PTA News

ST FRANCIS QUIZ NIGHT

ONLY 2 WEEKS TO GO!!!!

Tickets are on sale for the St Francis of Assisi Quiz Night
\$20 per person includes supper or grab a team of 6 for \$100

This will be an event not to be missed, helping to raise funds to fit-out the school hall.

We have spot prizes, prizes for best dressed team, best team name & so much more

R18 Event, Cash Bar, Raffles, Supper Provided

GRAB YOUR TEAM & GET YOUR TICKETS FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE!



Community News

Music Lessons

Music lessons: for lessons in bass, guitar, recorder, ukulele and flute during break times, call Ivan on 021 120 0080

Shirley District Music School

Semester 2 2018 Enrolments

SDMS (Shirley District Music School) is opening up enrolments for semester 2 for:

`Cello, Clarinet, Flute, Recorder, Saxophone, Trombone, Trumpet

Consideration will be given for Guitar, Keyboard, Percussion, Piano & Violin if the teacher has any available spaces.

Some lessons can be given in your school , others would be at Shirley Intermediate after school.

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Tuition fees for Semester 2: \$80.00

SDMS hire most of their instruments from Sedley Wells.

Hire fee for the instruments listed below for the remainder of the year are:

`Cello POA, Clarinet \$87.00, Flute \$87.00, Curved headjoint flute POA, Saxophone \$192.00, Trombone \$87.00, Trumpet \$87.00, Violin \$87.00

To enrol for tuition please see the SDMS website and search for enrolments

For more information please contact

Janet Simon

SDMS Acting Music Director, Flute & Recorder Teacher

Phone: 323 6502 or 027 312 4562

Email: flutecookjanet.simon@gmail.com

Creative Junk

Our roller door has been painted by Christchurch street artist, Kophie Hulsbosch & Lucia Kux

@ The Creative Junk OPEN DAY

Saturday 25 August 2018

10.00 am – 2.00 pm

25 Disraeli St, Addington



Colouring Competition



Waste and art activities



Raffle



Sausage Sizzle

Our AGM will be held at 11:00am

Phone: 379 4040

Email: info@creativejunk.org.nz Web: www.creativejunk.org.nz

Friends, members, supporters and waste warriors!

Creative Junk is looking for enthusiastic, skilled volunteers to help us bring our waste reuse message to the wider Christchurch community.

The skills we would really appreciate are marketing (especially digital), product development, strategy, logistics and retail, - but we also need general assistants to help in our warehouse and with waste collections.

Creative Junk is a 30 yr old charity and social enterprise that collects and sells post-production and post-consumer waste and provides education opportunities for waste reuse.

For more information or to express your interest, please contact:

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Regards Christine

Co-ordinator

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Burwood Park Tennis Community Play

Open Days for kids from 8th September 2018, 55 Cresswell Ave, Burwood

Register early at www.burwoodparktennisclub.kiwi or email
burwoodparktennisclub@gmail.com

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