

# St Francis of Assisi School

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## Items Covered This Week

**Feast Day Mass**

**Olymp-a-thon**

**Flashback of Term 3**

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## Kia Ora Koutou

### Feast Day Mass

We have held our Feast Day Mass - the children were so reverent - we were very proud of them and we look forward to the day that we can invite our whole school community to join us in these celebrations. The actual St Francis Feast Day is October 4th so it was nice to be able to celebrate this on the last day of this term. You can find out more about [St Francis](#) on our website.



## **Olymp-a-thon**

Great fun was had by all at the Olympathon. Thanks to the team that organised this. Remember sponsorship forms and money are due back Week 1 of Term 4.

## **Flashback of Term 3**

We have had another fantastic term and we are really proud of the programmes and learning that has taken place in the last 9 weeks. When we sit back and reflect it is pretty amazing to see this list and think about the effort that has gone into making these things happen.

- St Francis Feast Day Mass
- St Francis Food Drive
- Cultural Festival
- Wearable Arts
- Year 7/8 CORE presentations
- Junior Mini Olympics
- Winter Sport
- Koru Games
- Kelly Sport programmes
- Canterbury Kings Cricket
- Females coaching females Rugby
- Olympic Learning Tasks
- Olymp-a-thon
- Opening of the Library
- Book Character Day
- Community Breakfast
- Visit from the Marist Colts
- Zones Winter Tournament
- Central Winter Tournament
- Year 7/8 Open Night and Information Evening
- Teams of teachers visiting other schools sharing ideas and making connections

## **Save the Date: Parent Help**

We would like to acknowledge the support we receive from you all - many of the events and programmes we run rely on your support and we are really grateful for your contributions. To this end we are holding a Helper's Morning Tea on Thursday 20th October. Invitations will be sent out but please let us know if there is anyone that you think of that should be invited - we don't want to miss anyone out!! More info soon...

## **CORE presentations**

On Wednesday this week the Kaupeka Hub had a red carpet event - the culmination of a term's work based on a very authentic project. CORE Education invited our students to

create a 2 minute Health and Safety Video that could be used to welcome and induct people when they come to the CORE office. Our students worked in groups to produce these videos and we were very proud of their efforts. You can view the videos on the [Year 7/8 Blog](#).

### **School Photos**

School photos will be done on Monday 17 October (second week of term 4). Please ensure your child comes to school in full school uniform including jersey. Family photos of your children can be taken. If you wish to have a family photo done please let the office know in the first week of term 4. These will be done from about 8.30 onwards before classes are done at 9am .

***Nga mihi nui***

***Jo Earl***

# Kids Creations

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL PTA

## CALENDAR FUNDRAISER

Over the last term all of your children have created wonderful colourful pieces of art which are available to be made into

- Calendars
- Card Packs
- Diaries
- Notebooks Lined/Unlined

Order forms detailing pricing and payment details will be coming home with the children this Friday.

These make wonderful Christmas gifts!

Please return order forms to the office by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October

Any queries please email Andrea wall

[b.wall@clearnet.co.nz](mailto:b.wall@clearnet.co.nz)



**Principal**

### **Congratulations!!**

Grace and Luca van den Heever competed at the National Taekwondo Championships 2016 in Christchurch last weekend and for sparring/fighting both won gold medals in their division! Grace also entered Poomsae/Patterns and got silver!

### **Miniball**

If any Year 3 and 4 boys and/or girls are interested in playing Miniball (basketball) for school at Bishopdale YMCA on Thursdays after school next term please email Fran - [tohill5@xtra.co.nz](mailto:tohill5@xtra.co.nz). Competition starts week 2. Details will be sent through if interested.

### **Next Year's Term Dates**

Term 1 Monday 30 January Thursday 13 April (Holiday includes Easter and ANZAC Day)

Term 2 Monday 1 May Friday 7 July

Term 3 Monday 24 July Friday 29 September

Term 4 Monday 16 October Friday 15 Dec (TBC)

### **Road Patrol**

We are so grateful for the parents and grandparents who help each morning with road patrol. We are lucky to have a space open up to give another parent or grandparent the opportunity to help us out on a Thursday morning every 2 weeks. We are also putting together a list of casual helpers to fill gaps when someone is unable to do their shift. If you are able to help please contact Phil Bell [phil.clare.bell@gmail.com](mailto:phil.clare.bell@gmail.com) 02102914855

### **Parents Prayer**

We invite you to join us on Fridays 9am to pray for our school community. We gather for 15 minutes in the staff room. Everyone is welcome.

### **School Fees**

If you have fees outstanding for terms 1,2 and 3 please arrange payment as soon as possible. Thank you to those parents who have kept their accounts up to date. If you are having difficulties paying your account please contact Pauline to discuss options.

### **PTA**

**PTA Fundraiser** - Save the date Friday 25 November

More information at the end of this newsletter.

### **Parish Fees**

1. As part of our Parish Feast Day Weekend – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September to Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, our local St Vincent de Paul will be holding a food drive on **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October** out the front of the church property.
2. The parish and staff of St Francis of Assisi Catholic Parish would like to wish the children, parents and staff of our parish school a safe and restful holiday break, we will keep you all in our prayers over the holiday and look forward to your return for Term 4.

PARISH ATTENDANCE DUES FOR ATTENDING A CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: Term Three Parish Attendance Dues invoices have been emailed out to parents/caregivers this week, so please check your inboxes. These accounts are due for payment on or before the 20th August 2016. Please remember that if you think you will have difficulty meeting your obligation to pay this account, the parish may be in a position to assist you; so please

contact Kirsten at the Parish Office (385 3459) to make an appointment with Father Simon. Please note that these fees go to the Diocese not to the school.

**For Rent** The Parish house at 63 Kensington Avenue will soon be available for rent. A very tidy 3 bedroom, 1-bathroom house with heat pump. Please contact the Parish Secretary on 385 3459 during office hours for a tenancy application form.

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## ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI PTA FUNDRAISER

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**Come along for a fun night of Bingo, Auctions,  
Raffles and Chocolate Wheels**

**TICKETS: \$15 provides you with supper and 1x Bingo Card  
Cash Bar (R18)  
Extra Bingo Cards at \$2 per card or 3 for \$5 on the night**

**Thanks to all our sponsors all spots are now filled**

We are also looking for additional helpers for the evening please contact [pta@stfrancischch.school.nz](mailto:pta@stfrancischch.school.nz) if you are able to assist on the night.



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Mairehau St Vincent de Paul

# FOOD DRIVE

Saturday 1 October

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Drop off outside

## St Francis of Assisi Church

380 Innes Road – rain or shine!

*Our Food Bank helps families in need in Mairehau, Shirley, Burwood, Dallington, Richmond, Linwood, Marshland*

Donation ideas; Meals in a can – Pasta/sauce – Rice – Cereal  
Evaporated Milk – Canned vegetables, soup, fruit, baby food  
Tea/coffee - Snacks

Please help us to help others!



Have a sausage when you drop off your food!



**Community Notices**

**Riccarton Junior Cricket Club 2016-17 Registrations**

Summer is fast approaching and its time to register for your favourite summer sport. Registration for junior grade cricketers are now open, for a registration form or further information please contact Deborah Granger at email: [deborahgrangernz@gmail.com](mailto:deborahgrangernz@gmail.com)

**EAST CHRISTCHURCH-SHIRLEY CRICKET CLUB INC**

**JUNIOR CRICKET REGISTRATIONS**

**2016-2017 SEASON**

**At Burwood Park Clubrooms**

**Sat 17 & 24 Sept 10.00am – 12.00noon**

**Junior Enrolment forms available at School Office**

**or on-line [www.eastchchshirleycricket.org.nz](http://www.eastchchshirleycricket.org.nz)**

**Enquiries – contact Nicola Smith 021 744 114**

**Open Days 1 & 8 October**

**CJCA competitions start 15 October**

**John Grocott**

**Ph 3544102**



# NEW BRIGHTON OLYMPIC



## TRACK & FIELD

New Brighton Olympic Track  
Keyes Road New Brighton



**2016/2017 OPEN DAY, INFORMATION, 1<sup>ST</sup>  
REGISTRATION AND CLUB NIGHT**

**TUESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2016,**

**5.20PM – 7.20PM**

**We will have a FREE sausage sizzle available at the end of  
night (limit one per child)**

**520pm (sign in) 530pm (warm up) 545pm START**

*The little's (4-6yrs old) course will be set up to have a go!!*

**NEW & EXISTING FAMILIES ALL WELCOME**

**JUNIORS 4YRS-14YRS & SENIORS 15YRS PLUS MOST WELCOME ☺**

***FOR FURTHER INFO CALL KARA ON (021) 1304471 OR  
BRONWYN ON (020) 111 3010***

***\*last season's families who may be interested in interclub are  
welcome to come and join in training Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October  
530pm-7pm (Registration also)\****



**COME JOIN US IT'S FUN !!!!!**



## **Tweens and Teens (12-18)**

The teenage years can be like riding a roller coaster; Toolbox courses aim to take out a few of the nastier twists and turns on the track, and also to help you to hold on and enjoy the ride.

The Tweens and Teens Toolbox is completely realistic – it addresses the serious dangers and problems that teenagers can encounter and gives practical coaching strategies to handle them. But it is also encouraging in that the course never loses sight of the fact that there is so much to enjoy

as your children go through this stage.

Toolbox is ideal for parents whose children have not yet reached puberty, or are in the early 'tween' stage of adolescence: you won't be caught unprepared and if your children are already in the midst of the teenage years, there is so much in every session you will be able to use straight away.

What's covered in the six sessions: Atmosphere, Boundaries, Communication, Discipline, Self-esteem, Future focus

**Starts Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm for a 6 week period.**

**At The Neighbourhood Trust, St Albans Baptist Church, 64 McFaddens Rd.**

Cost of course \$35 per person. Contact Kim on 0276772472, or [kim@nht.org.nz](mailto:kim@nht.org.nz)

## **Tennis**

Are you a tennis **Hot Shot?** **New junior Hotshot Registrations** will include a free junior racket valued at \$50. **This limited offer expires 24<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

**Our next community play days are September 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>. New juniors are welcome to visit our club.** We supply everything, just wear your sports shoes. The first session is from 9:00am, the second from 10:00am. Register as a new member online at [www.burwoodparktennisclub.kiwi](http://www.burwoodparktennisclub.kiwi) or come & see us at 55 Cresswell Ave, Burwood Park.

## **ANZ Olympic Schools Programme**

**Dear Parents and Caregivers**

### **OPPORTUNITY TO EARN POINTS TOWARDS SCHOOL EQUIPMENT**

ANZ is encouraging people within school communities to support their local school when taking out an ANZ home loan. I am emailing all St Francis of Assisi Catholic School parents and caregivers about this opportunity, as we could really benefit from the ANZ Olympic Schools Programme.

For those of you in the St Francis of Assisi Catholic School community about to draw down a home loan – please consider nominating St Francis of Assisi as 'your school'. We will earn credits from the ANZ Awards Centre for sports equipment or computers and our students benefit.

An eligible home loan drawn down of \$50,000 by somebody 'nominating' St Francis of Assisi will entitle our school to 800 credits and approximately \$400 of spending power at the ANZ

Awards Centre. Please contact our local ANZ Representative Rebecca Snelgar on Ph: 3683988, Email: [rebecca.snelgar@anz.com](mailto:rebecca.snelgar@anz.com)

**Thank you for your consideration and please keep us in mind!**

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