

# St Francis of Assisi School

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## Kia Ora Koutou

What a wonderful term it has been - filled with learning and fun right up to the last minute. We wish you all a safe and happy holiday break and look forward to seeing you back here for Term 3!

## Congratulations

We congratulate Father Alister Castillo on his ordination to the priesthood. He was ordained last Saturday alongside Father Huynh and Father Graeme, a wonderful occasion for them and for our Diocese. We pray that they find joy in their ministry.

### **Parish Mass**

On Sunday 30th July at the 9am Mass, the Parish are holding a Grandparents Mass and have asked our Choir to sing. We would love to have as many students there as possible whether they are in the choir or not.

### **Great News!!**

The refurbishment work on the old block starts on Saturday!! We have uploaded a community statement about the works to the website and you can access it through the app as well. There may be some interruptions to access during the term but on the whole this should not affect our students and families too much. We are very excited to see this work begin!!

### **Swimming**

Our swimming weeks have come to an end today, We have had such wonderful feedback about your children - they have made us very proud. Our senior students have buddied up with the younger students and we have had many comments about well behaved and polite our students are. Well done!

### **Mid Winter Breakfast**

What a fantastic turn out for the breakfast this morning! Thanks so much to all the helpers that made this happen today!

Check out the spot prize winners - having the best Winter accessories!

### **Kaupeka's Cultural Identity Day**

Today Kaupeka ran food stalls as part of their PBL (Project Based Learning) they have been completing on different cultures within the hub. The students worked hard on planning, pricing, and delivery and are very appreciative of the support you all gave today. Lunch time was a hive of activity outside and inside



### **Te Ara Tūhuru Learning Cluster - Raising Well Being Intervention**

If you missed the the information that was outlined in last weeks newsletter it can be accessed on the above link.

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Thanks to those who attended the sessions this week. We will start the new timetable on Day 1 of Term 3.

### **Complex Carb Break (Provided by School)**

For Term 3 this will be fully funded by the Cluster. This means that we will provide a slice of wholemeal bread which can be eaten on its own or with butter, marmite, vegemite or peanut butter. (For some Hubs peanut butter will not be available because of allergies).

### **Morning Tea**

Children will go out to play for 20 mins at 10.25 and then will have 10mins to eat morning tea together at 10.45am.

### **Lunch**

Children will go out to play at 12.20pm then will come in to eat their lunch at 12.50pm.

### **Fruit Break**

A Fruit break will happen in the afternoon at a time to be decided by the teachers.

### **Let's Go Wrap Free!!**

We encourage you to provide a wrap free lunch - we know this can be challenging however we need to make an effort to reduce the amount of waste we are producing. Children will be encouraged to bring all rubbish home in their lunch boxes as we work towards this goal.

Please try to show your children what they should eat for morning tea and what they should eat for lunch. We will monitor this to ensure the younger children don't eat everything at the first break as well. Lastly, please include a piece of fruit in your child's lunch box for the fruit break.

Thanks for your support with these new initiatives.

### **Working Bee - Sunday 2 July 10am Thanks a bunch!!**

It was fabulous to see so many of you turn up on Sunday for the working bee. "Many hands make light work!" and this was certainly true as it took only 1 hour to complete the work.

*Thank you all so much - we really appreciate your support!*

### **Cybersmart and Blogging Parent Education Evening**

A big thank you again to all those parents who attended our Cyber Smart and Blogging Parent Education Evening last week. For those that weren't able to make it, this is the Google Slide that was shared at the evening.

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<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1JueG7sgFfN553GIsPQVmYVcWpW1oSc9KAgnblSsK9Y/edit?usp=sharing>

### **Kiera Worthington - Resident Writer Extraordinaire**

This week Kaupeka would like to share with you some writing by one of our students Kiera Worthington. This is a narrative she wrote about robots taking over the world. We are very proud of Kiera's writing and hope you enjoy reading it as much as we did.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/12gN18Z7TbBlpRaVooiZSoPquiVeNqaWdRRO8idYbF2s/edit?usp=sharing>

### **PTA Updates**

#### **PTA Teatowel Fundraiser**

Next term we are organising a teatowel fundraiser which will have pictures of your children's drawings on them. We are looking for a sponsor who in return will have their name/logo on the teatowels. If you are interested can you please contact Leanne on 021 025 06238 or [dale-flanagan@clear.net.nz](mailto:dale-flanagan@clear.net.nz). Thank you for your support.

#### **Entertainment Books**

Christchurch, Canterbury and Nelson Entertainment 2017 / 2018

The Christchurch Entertainment books have arrived and will be available to pick up from the office, from Monday 8 May. For those who haven't purchased one yet and wish to do so, you can either click the link below and order one online, return the envelope that was sent home with your child to the school office OR purchase one from the office.

[www.entbook.co.nz/1341q64](http://www.entbook.co.nz/1341q64)

Display copies are available to have a look through in the staff room and in the office. To view the book online click on this link <https://online.flippingbook.com/view/347408>

The PTA coordinator for book orders is: Gillian Kent-McConigley, 0274-795-630 with support from Phil Bell and Leanne Flanagan.

All proceeds will go towards the development of St Francis of Assisi's playground.

Thanks for your support, Gillian and the St Francis of Assisi School PTA

#### **Lost Property**

Sophie lost her jersey last Friday. It's named 'S.McGuire' and has a phone number on the reverse side of the label. I'm hoping someone has picked it up by mistake. Please return to Room 11 if found.

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Brand new pair of black lace up boys shoes, named James Goggin on the inside sole. Please return to the office if found.

Freya Perrett has lost her red MGP scooter.. Please return to the office if found.

Christopher Chamoun Tumu 3 has lost his named school jersey also, there is a telephone number on the label.

# PTA JULY NEWSLETTER

It's hard to believe we are already at the end of Term 2 and what a busy term it has been.

We would like to thank you all for your support over the last term and look forward to a couple of weeks off and another busy Term 3 ahead.  
Here is the latest update from the PTA.

## Cheese Roll Fundraiser

Thanks to Fran and the Team for this successful fundraiser.

We are sure you will all agree that the Cheese Rolls were delicious- the funds raised from this will go towards the installation of the playground in the back field.

We thank you for all getting behind this event and supporting it so well.

We can't wait to see the progress of the playground.

**Next Meeting Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug, 7pm**

## Ladies Evening

Thanks to Claire and Tracey for organizing this event at school on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

For those that attend we are sure you will agree this was a lovely evening with lots of great bargains available.

This evening was a great success and we were able to raise \$4000 to help with the installation of the playground.

## Save the Date:

### Mid-Winter Xmas Shin-Dig

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> Aug 7pm

Heaton Intermediate

R18 Event

\$20pp Supper Included

Band, Cash Bar

Spot Prizes for Best Xmas Get-Up

(NB: this is not a compulsory dress-up)

**GRAB YOUR TICKETS FROM THE OFFICE  
NEXT TERM!**

Limited to 100 Tickets only!



The band is booked, the liquor license is on its way so grab your friends and lets all get together to celebrate, have a drink and make sure you have your dancing shoes on.

Have a happy and safe holiday and grab your tickets to this parent's only event at the beginning of next term. Any questions get in touch with one of our PTA Members.



## **Parish Notices**

### **Office Hours**

Office hours are now – Tuesday & Thursday 8am - 5pm and Wednesday & Friday 8am - 2pm.

## **Active Kids Holiday Programmes**

Registrations now open for **July school holidays– book online!**

Week 1 – Mon 10<sup>th</sup> – Fri 14<sup>th</sup> July \*LINCOLN \*WESTBURN \*PAPANUI

Week 2 – Mon 17<sup>th</sup> – Fri 21<sup>st</sup> July \*CHCH BOYS HIGH \* ROLLESTON

- Join us for a week of action packed fun and adventure,
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- OSCAR approved; WINZ subsidies apply.

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