

St Francis of Assisi School

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Kia Ora Koutou

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

Catholics Returning Home is a four week programme for non-practicing Catholics interested in renewing their life in the Church. The programme is welcoming, confidential and gives participants a chance to tell their story if they wish. The programme updates participants on recent changes in the Church. It starts soon in the following location in Christchurch.

Tuesdays at Papanui Parish (August 29th –September 26th) starting at 7pm until 9pm, St Joseph's Parish Centre, Papanui.

Please feel very welcome to attend or you may know of someone you could support by inviting them to this programme. For details phone 0508 HOME NOW (0508 466 366) or visit www.catholicshomenow.co.nz

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The amazing foyer display on the Fruits of the Holy Spirit is from the Paiaka Hub.

The Holy Spirit is associated with a number of sets of gifts and fruits.

The Bible’s fruits of the Holy Spirit.

There are nine biblically-based fruits of the Holy Spirit as given by St. Paul in his letter to the Galatians: “love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control” (Galatians 5:22-23).

Assembly Awards

What a fabulous Assembly today. Thanks so much to our Kakano Hub - it was great to see all the learning happening and they sounded fantastic. We had many compliments from the parents who attended.

Congratulations to the recipients of this week’s Principal’s Awards:

Kākano	Paiaka	Tumu	Kaupeka
Eilish Murphy Sophia Foley	Dejon Smith Elise Esposito	Ethan De Vries Evelyn O’Brien	Monique Dry Jacob Burke

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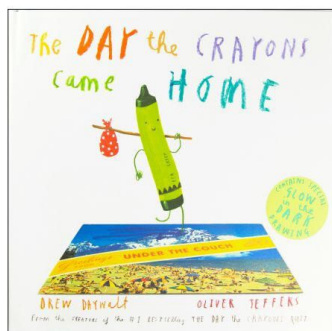
Jaidyn Cahill Sophie Bishop Tom Toomey	Aidan Walshe	Ella Wall Connor Smith James Goggin Olivia Chambers Roza Litten	Penny Johnston Ruby Merrylees Charlotte Lyons
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Enrolments for 2018

A reminder to parents who have a child due to start at St Francis to please contact the office for an enrolment form.

Jump Jam 4 StarJam - Friday 11th August 2017

Jump Jam 4 StarJam is a national initiative between StarJam and Jump Jam aerobic programme, designed to support young people with disabilities, while promoting health, wellness and inclusiveness within our school communities. All funds raised support StarJam's programmes throughout New Zealand to support young people living with disabilities. It's easy! At St Francis, will be having a whole school jump jam session during the day on Friday. Children are asked to bring along a \$2 donation in exchange for a silicone wristband.



Room 7 - Sharing their learning

We read the book 'The day the crayons came home' and then we decided to write our own letters to Duncan about the crayons adventure.

Dear Duncan,

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It's me Red Crayon. I am in the North Pole. Santa picked me up because....I'm needed for all the red pictures. I've drawn so many santa's I'm worn out. Please come get me. There's a present in it if you do. From your exhausted Red Crayon. Written by Natalia.

Dear Duncan,

It's me Pink Crayon. I have been tangled in a kite. I have been all over the sky. I have crashed into a plane and sometimes helicopters. I never see my best friend Purple Crayon and all my other friends. I will be in a tree in your garden on the right. Please come get me. From Pink Crayon. Written by Neve

Dear Duncan,

Black Crayon down here. You used to only use me for the outline of stuff which isn't much but now you use me for nothing because now I'm stuck right by the window and I'm scared of heights. I'm leaving and I'm changing my name to Kite-Man, but I accidentally flew into that big tree, please come get me. From Black Crayon Written by Bronson

Dear Duncan

I'm always lost,lost in the dark, possibly in the kitchen and lost under the couch. I'm now lost in your bed, always lost. I'm sick of being lost, help me. Your lonely friend Purple Crayon. Written by Eva



Parish Mass

Last Sunday our school choir sang at church at the 9am Mass celebrating Grandparents. Thanks so much to Mackenzie Kane for preparing them for this event. Also thank you to the students who sang at Mass last Sunday, we received many compliments from parishioners on the beautiful singing.

Thanks also to Rebecca Methven and Clare Bell for making this happen.

Lost Property

Christopher Chamoun from Tumu Hub has lost his named school jersey and tie. Please return if found.

Christchurch Schools Music Festival Tickets

Exciting news! The tickets to the festival can now be purchased through ticketek. The Year 5-8 choir students will be performing at the Horncastle Arena on Wednesday 28th October at 7pm. More information on how to purchase tickets can be found on the [festival website](#). This link [here](#) will show you what side of the stage we will be on. This will help you choose where you would like to sit. The ticketek booking page also has a plan showing where the choir will

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be sitting. Any questions about this, please see Mackenzie Kane in Room 8 or email me at mackenzie.kane@stfrancis.chch.school.nz

Cultural Festival

Just a reminder that the Cultural Festival performance night for the St Francis of Assisi Kapahaka group is Friday 18 August. If you ordered tickets through school these will be sent home as soon as we receive them. If you did not manage to order them through school you can still order tickets through Ticketek.



Scholastic Book Club Orders in by 16 August please.

Please go to the **LOOP online** ordering system and follow the prompts for a quick and easy way to order. From this order onwards Scholastic will only accept a credit card payment **through the online ordering** and not through the school with a paper order and credit card slip. This is to streamline orders and payments and get the books back to the children as soon as possible after orders close. If you have any problems with online ordering please give Pauline a call on Mon, Wed or Friday.

Parking Issues / Innes Rd and Kensington Avenue continue!

There is no doubt about it - parking spaces are definitely at a premium on Innes Road and Kensington Avenue. We need you all to follow the road rules in order to keep your children safe - **and** our neighbours happy.

- **No driving up any of the school or parish driveways** - (unless you are picking up a sick or injured child and you need to use the disability parking next to the office).
- No parking in the Parish Car park
- No parking on the shingle beside the Church and the Presbytery
- You can not park in the 5 min drop off and walk in to pick up your child - you must stay with your car if you park there and stay no longer than 5 minutes so that others can use the space as well.
- No stopping on yellow lines - you can get a ticket even if you are still in your car on the yellow lines - as soon as you open your door a ticket can be issued.
- You must park at least one metre away from any driveway - this has been a big problem on Kensington Ave - our neighbours are unhappy that they are sometimes unable to get in or out of their driveways. Not only this - when they have approached some of our parents who are doing this - apparently our parents have been quite rude to them. We are not making friends and this is not a good look for our school. We rely on our neighbours to keep an eye on our school and we want to foster good
- relationships. Please be considerate.

PTA Updates

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Reminder PTA Winter Christmas Shin Dig has been cancelled due to not enough ticket sales!

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. Thank you for your support.

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

Parish Notices

Office Hours

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

In 2017 Catholic Charismatic Renewal is celebrating 50 years Jubilee of the Renewal. The 50 year celebrations commenced in Rome with Pope Francis and people from around the world coming together to celebrate on the feast of Pentecost. Here in New Zealand, we are celebrating this special Jubilee with a **“Current of Grace” Conference 22 – 24 September** in Palmerston North.

“Current of Grace’ Conference

“Celebrating the diverse fruits and family of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in New Zealand”

When: Friday 22 – Sunday 24 September 2017-06-23

Where: Distinction Hotel and the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Palmerston North
Guest presenters include Bishop Denis Browne, Fr John Rea, Diana Ingle CCRNZ Chairperson. Ann Brereton from ICCRS will share on 2017 Vatican report Pope Francis’s exciting new plans for us all!

For further information and to register on-line visit www.ccrnz.org/register2017

For further information please contact Val Morrison Tel: 07 542 5537