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Special Character

New Families

Our seven New Entrants and their families were warmly welcomed at our Welcome to St. Francis assembly this morning. Each family was given a Bible for their family to have. This was a special time for our school community.



Parish / School Pastoral Care Team

We have established a Pastoral Care Team for the Parish and school to work together to support the families across the Parish and school. The Pastoral Care Team is made up of the DRS from school, the 2 Pastoral Workers from the Parish and our Helping Hands coordinator at school. The purpose of this team is to help and support families in times of emotional, physical and financial need.

If you are struggling or know someone who needs a bit of support or care please contact Rebecca Methven or Clare Bell

What's Coming up? - He aha kei tua?

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

Term 3	Week 6	Wed 29/8 Sausage sizzle Wed 29/8 Strike Strum Blow Practice 9-3pm Wed 29/8 Strike Strum Blow Concert 7pm at Horncastle Arena 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) Kaupeka Wednesday 19/7 Rotary Speech Semi Finals Y5-8 Thursday 20 Sept. Wonky Donkey Man show at school. 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

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From the Principal Te Pū kāea a te Tumuaki

It is fabulous to be back in our school community after my stint in Adelaide. I had a great time and was welcomed to Golden Grove Primary school by the whole school community. While I was there I was able to visit many schools and really get a good sense of the Australian School system. The experience has challenged my thinking and also affirmed the direction we are headed at our school. There were many opportunities for rich conversation and learning working alongside the principal Wendy Moore. Wendy joins us on Monday 3 September for four weeks - we will welcome her at 9am outside the library and would love to have as many of our community there as possible. It would be great to show her a warm St Francis welcome! More details next week.

Jump Jam - Congratulations!!

The Jump Jam team has qualified for the Jump Jam South Island Regional Competition which will be held in November in Christchurch. Great work Mereana Morgan, Grace Ngariki, Lexi Parkyn, Pieta Kirby, Hannah Kent-McConigley, Caitlin Kent-McConigley, Petra Eveleigh, Molly McMenamin, Grace Armstrong. Also a big thank you to our reserves Maia Bagnall, Felicity Lyons and Olivia Symes. ***Congratulations Miss Smith-Palmer - all your time and efforts on this have definitely paid off!***



Cantamath Competition

On Wednesday night we had two teams compete in the Cantamath competition. Both teams competed well - it was an exciting event with fierce competition from many schools. We are proud of the efforts from these teams. Well done!

Winter Sport

Please note that due to the wet winter and fewer days played there is a \$13.00 credit on your school account as not as many buses were used as expected.

Kensington Avenue

Today we had to close off the Kensington Avenue entrance as the workmen are remediating the path behind the new hall. We are not sure how long this will take before we can open it again but we will let you know as soon as we can.

City Care will be working in Kensington Avenue on Thursday 23rd August. There will be no parking available.

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Orders in by Thursday 6 September

Lost Property

If your child has any lost clothing items, they could perhaps be found in the lost property box in the sick bay. We do encourage you to name all of your child's clothing so that we can return lost items to them.

School Jackets

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

A reminder that this continues next week:

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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Can you Assist? A group of women in Aranui make sleeping mats for the homeless out of plastic bags. They are running out of plastic shopping/supermarket bags. If you have any at home to spare, please drop them into the parish office during office hours.	Soul2Sole Fitness If you are interested in yoga/Pilates courses, Yoga and Dance Workshops. Please contact Robyn Anderson 0274592553
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. Tuition fees for Semester 2: \$80.00 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	
Music Lessons Music lessons: for lessons in bass, guitar, recorder, ukulele and flute during break times, call Ivan on 021 120 0080	Burwood Park Tennis Community Play Open Days for kids from 8 th September 2018, 55 Cresswell Ave, Burwood Register early at www.burwoodparktennisclub.kiwi or email burwoodparktennisclub@gmail.com

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