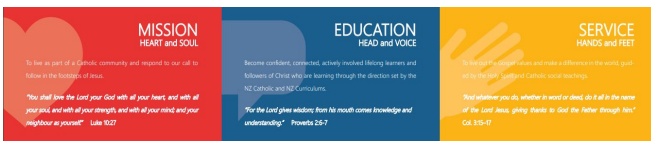




ST COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Te Kura O Hato Karama



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE :

Term 3, Week 3, Friday 9th August 2019

Kia Ora Koutou

Thank you for taking the time to meet with your child's teacher during the learning discussions last week; I hope you have taken the opportunity to talk about and celebrate your child's successes. I would appreciate your feedback about your experience and have created a short, two minute survey to gather your feedback. If you have children in Team 2, 3 or 4 please click on the following link to participate in the survey [Learning Discussion Survey](#)

As mentioned in our last newsletter, school will be closed for instruction on Monday 19 August. This is the Hamilton Diocese teacher only day where we

come together with the other Catholic Schools in the Hamilton area to participate in group professional development. Kids Club will be operating on this day, you will find information from them further on in the newsletter.

Unfortunately the inclement weather has slowed down the work to our new staff driveway/car park which in turn has meant no access to the front of school drop off zone. Thank you for accommodating the temporary change, we look forward to getting back to normal as soon as possible.

In the meantime please be respectful of the disabled car parks, these are allocated for disabled drivers with certified stickers. We are also trying to accommodate the pick ups outside the church, please refrain from parking directly in front of the church when you collect your children. Thank you for working with us to keep the children safe.

On Friday 20 September we are holding our annual Quiz Night, the theme this year is 'Kiwiana'. The PTFA are busy organising this fundraising event for our school. Tickets are \$10 per seat with tables of up to 10 people available. Team names can be entered by emailing ptfa@sccs.school.nz or leaving your details at the office. Bring your friends and family for a fun night out; thank you for supporting this fundraising initiative for our school.

The school newsletter is now sent home electronically via email, Seesaw and is available on our school website. Thank you for supporting our effort to reduce our footprint. Please ensure we have up to date contact details for you; for all personal contact changes please email: admin@sccs.school.nz

Thank you for your continued support of St Columba's Catholic School.

Kind regards and God bless

Gareth Duncan



A HUGE thank you to everyone who purchased a book, and to everyone who donated their time to help at the book fair. We earned enough commission from book fair sales to receive \$1279 worth of FREE books for the school library! Thank you for your support - from the PTFA



Key dates:

- 13th August - BOT Meeting at 6pm
- 15th August - Feast of the Assumption (Whole school mass)
- 15th August - Juicies for sale - Aimes Futsal fundraiser
- 16th August - Team 2, 3 and 4 Adidas Fun Run (School Cross Country)
- 16th August - Waikato Gymfest Yr 7 & 8
- 17th August - Catholic Kapa Haka weekend
- **19th August - Teacher Only Day - School is CLOSED for instruction.**
(Kids Club will be open and available).
Cost for day \$35 per child. 8am-5.30pm.
- 28th August - Mums and Daughters Breakfast - guest speaker - Annah Stretton
- 30th August - Team 2 Mass
- 1st September - Father's Day
- 1st September - Confirmation and & First Holy Communion
- 2nd - 6th September - Tongan language week
- 9th September - AIMS Games
- 9th September - PTFA Meeting at 7pm
- 9th - 13th September - Maori language week
- 16th September - Andrew Chinn (Musician) visit to school
- 16th - 20th September - Conservation week
- 17th September - NWPS Cross Country
- 17th September - BOT Meeting 6pm
- 20th September - PTFA Kiwiana Quiz Night
- 20th September - Waikato Gymfest - Yr 2-6
- 22nd September - School and Parish Sunday Mass
- 24th September - Team 4 Camp
- 27th September - End of Term Mass and PTFA mufti day

EMAILS

It seems that some email communications from the school office are not reaching those of you who have @xtra.co.nz email accounts. Please check your spam folder or contact your provider to inquire why this is.

Catholic Character News

SCHOOL/PARISH MASS

SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 10.00AM

The Sunday Mass is where we come together to celebrate our Catholic faith, to refresh and renew our spiritual strength, and most importantly, to give thanks and praise to our generous God. Taking an hour out of our week is a small sacrifice for such a great reward. While we would love to see students at Mass every Sunday, we do expect all students to attend the once a term School Masses - please mark this date in your diary.



SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK

Each year the Catholic Bishops of New Zealand set aside a week in September for Social Justice Week, inviting us to reflect and take action on a current social justice issue. This year the focus is on fairness (*from Caritas.org*).

Our school's inquiry question for this term is: "As Catholics, how can we improve life and make it fair for others." Each class will explore and answer this question in their own way, and will share their learning/action during Social Justice week.

Na, ko ngā mea katoa e pai ai koutou, kia meatia e ngā tāngata ki a koutou, meatia hoki e koutou kia a rātou. Matiu 7:12

Do unto others what you would have them do to you. Matthew 7:12

THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY

15th August 2019

Next Thursday we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption with a School Mass at 9.00am.

Celebrated every year on August 15, the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption (taking up) into Heaven, before her body could begin to decay--a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time.

Because it signifies the Blessed Virgin's passing into eternal life, it is the most important of all Marian feasts and a Holy Day of Obligation (a day, in addition to Sunday, when Catholics are required to attend Mass).

(excerpt taken from catholicism.about.com)



Last Friday we shared in a beautiful Mass to bless the new term ahead and to welcome our newest families to our St Columba's whaanau. As is our custom, they were each gifted with a special candle then Father said a prayer of blessing over them. We pray that they will always feel loved and welcomed at St Columba's.



REMINDERS:

Monday 19th August 2019 - School is Closed all day (TOD) Kids Club will be OPEN 8.30am - 5.30pm

Cost - Flat Rate of **\$35** for the day per child - payable at the time of booking and confirmation

Bring: A packed lunch, drink bottle, scooter, helmet and warm clothes.

The day will consist of lots of fun activities made available for all the children to enjoy.

(if you need care from 7.30am - please advise Deb as there will be an added \$5 cost for breakfast club on this day)

Let us know if you need our help on this day while you are working - text Deb on 021 586633 or write your name down on the booking sheet at Kid Club.

Next Kids Club Holiday Programme dates (please note in your diary's)

Week 1

Monday 30th September to Friday 4th October 2019

Week 2

Monday 7th October to Friday 11th October 2019

(Holiday Programme information with enrolment forms will be available in week 7)

- Check out the last holiday programme photos on the school fb page.

Kids Club Craft/Music Corner:

We are looking for the following items if anyone has them at home and they are unwanted.

- Buttons *(for craft projects)*
- Old kids movie DVD's that are suitable for 5-12 year olds to watch
- Old music CD's that are unwanted

Thank you for letting us care for your children.

Deb Honey
Centre Manager - Kids Club



ADIDAS FUN RUN FUNDRAISER

School Cross Country - August 16th.

Fundraising is great so far.

Remember there are great prizes to be won - raise from \$10 or more and you can pick a prize or prizes from an extensive range.

If you do not have an information booklet they are available at the school office.



ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS - \$65 each and packed with so many discounts for food activities and entertainment, also celebrating 25yrs! Pick yours up from the office today, or pop online to purchase.

QUIZ NIGHT - 20th September – pop it in your diary now so you don't miss out!!

GALA – this year our gala is on Sat 16th November. The gala group is underway now mapping out our stalls, how exciting!!

VITABAGS – We have some vitabags available to purchase, great way to be environmentally friendly! Fill in the form in the newsletter and return to School office with payment.

SPORTS NOTICES

RESULTS:

BASKETBALL	Opposition	Result
Saints Gold Wk 2	vs Berkley Warriors	Won 76 - 16
Saints Blue Wk 2	vs St Peters Red	Lost 2 - 54
Saints Green Wk 2	vs RHS Flyers	Won 55 - 17
Yr 5/6 SC Pythons Wk 2	vs Tamahere Spurs	Won 27 - 24
Yr 3/4 SC Knights Wk 2	vs Insoll Ballers	Lost 20 - 18
HOCKEY Saints 1st XI Wk 1	vs RHS Yellow	Won 1 - 0
Wk 2	King Country Development	Won 2 - 0
Saints 2nd XI Wk 1	vs Melville 1st XI	Won 3 - 0
Wk 2	vs St Peters Blue	Lost 0 - 2
Saints 3rd XI Wk 1	vs RHS Purple	Won 3 - 0
Wk 2	vs Whitikahu	Lost
SC Cannons Wk 1	BYE	
Wk 2	vs St Joesphs	Won 11 - 0
SC Spirits Wk 1	vs Homeschool Tigers	Draw 2 all
Wk 2	vs Pirongia Mountain Sticks	Draw 1 all
Mighty Saints Wk 1	vs Endeavour Blacksticks	Won 1 - 0
Wk 2	vs St Pius Arrows	Lost 0 - 4
Holy Midgets Wk 1	vs Deanwell Ninjas	Lost 0 - 4
Wk 2	vs Knighton Thunder	Won 3 - 0
NETBALL Saints 8A Wk 1	vs Maeroa 8a	Won 20 - 6
Wk 2	vs Morrinsville 8A	Lost 13 - 14
Saints 7A Wk 1	vs Morrinsville 7A	Won 27 - 17
Wk 2	vs Berkely 7A	Won 20 - 4
Saints 7B Wk 1	vs Peachgrove Sevens	Won 12 - 5
Wk 2	vs Berkely 7B	Won 11 - 8
Saints 7 Gold Wk 1	vs Fairfield 7 Bronze	Won 17 - 0

Wk 2	vs Southwell Amethyst	Won 15 - 4
Yr 5/6 SC Kea Wk 1	vs Karioi Mini Stars	Lost 7 - 14
Wk 2	vs Puketaha Pandas	Lost 2 - 4
Yr 5/6 SC Kiwi Wk 1	vs Marian Stars	Won 23 - 2
Wk 2	vs TMM Whetu	Lost 10 - 11
Yr 4 SC Diamonds Wk 1	vs Templeview Mystics	Draw 10 all
Wk 2	vs St Joseph	Won 19 - 4
Yr 3/4 SC Ferns Wk 1	vs Ngahinapouri Magic	
Wk 2	vs Vardon Magic	Lost 7 - 10

Waikato Representative Touch 2019/2020 Registrations are U10 - U14 grades are open on the Waikato touch website.

To register visit <http://www.waikatotouch.co.nz/Registrations-1/Under-10s-14s>

There is one skill session & two trial sessions.

Skill Session - Wednesday 25th September / Flagstaff Park / 5.30pm
Trial Day #1 - Sunday 29th September / Swarbrick Park / 10am - 12pm
Trial Day #2 - Sunday 13th October / Swarbrick Park / 10am - 12pm
***Please note the different days for Skill Session & Trials.*



SCCS AIMS Futsal Team FUNDRAISER

\$1 Juicies

We will be selling Juicies

THURSDAY 15th AUGUST

No pre-orders just bring your money at
lunch time to the school hall.

We would like to thank you for your Support. All proceeds will be going to the
AIMS Futsal Team



KIDS SPEAK UP!

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SUCCESS**

Kids won't speak out? Got raw energy? Hate school speeches?

AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES: Kids gain real life skills!

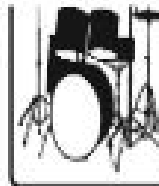
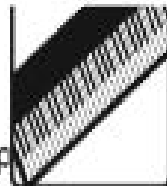
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MUSIC LESSONS at SCHOOL

piano lessons at St Columba's School!!

Would your child like to learn to play?
Enrol your child in the music lessons they have always wanted to do.



MusiqHub's Whitney Maynard and Yaw Asumadu are available in Term 3 at St Columba's School!

Did you know students who learn a musical instrument get better marks in other subjects? And that music helps with brain development?

Research has shown "learning a musical instrument is associated with better cognitive skills and school grades as well as higher conscientiousness, openness, and ambition."

Sign your child up to learn a musical instrument and they'll learn skills for life, and not just musical ones. They'll acquire increased coordination, memory and confidence, improved concentration and self expression, and many other valuable traits.

CARL WATKINS - MUSIQHUB MANAGER

Hi! I'm Carl, MusiqHub Manager in the Waikato. I am a musician with over 20 years experience in the music industry, as a writer, performer and recording artist. I have a Master of Music and have been tutoring for MusiqHub for 5 years, having taken over my own franchise last year. I'm a trained vocalist, and taught myself to play guitar, ukulele and piano. I can write for orchestra and rock ensembles and am involved in local theatre. My team at St Columba's includes Yaw Asumadu and Whitney Maynard, both also hugely experienced musicians who love passing their wealth of knowledge on to their students.

Lessons are ½ an hour long Keyboards are provided at lesson time but students are required to have their own keyboard or piano for home practice. Guitar and ukulele students are required to have their own instruments.

Costs (GST inclusive). Small Group Tuition \$18.00 per lesson on a term-by-term basis. Individual lessons \$31.00 per lesson on a term-by-term basis (limited availability).

Music tuition books are \$33.00 each.

To register or for more information, contact us via:

Phone: 027 388 9558

Email: carl.watkins@musiqhub.co.nz

Or via our website www.musiqhub.co.nz

Who we are . . .

- MusiqHub is a national network of independent music tutors who are passionate about supporting children's development and learning through music tuition.
- We believe learning music develops life skills in children - confidence, discipline, coordination, self-esteem, teamwork, creativity and self-expression.
- We have awesome teachers who will share their passion for music with your child.

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