

### ST COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

#### Te Kura O Hato Karama



# Week 9, Term 1 at St Columba's Catholic School

Kia Ora Koutou,

This Sunday is Palm Sunday. We celebrate this occasion together when Our Lord was welcomed as a hero into Jerusalem. This is the beginning of the most important week in the Church's calendar - Holy Week.

Please look out for the liturgies that our teams have prepared for Holy Week and take some time to watch these and celebrate with us.



Thank you all for your continued support as we have needed to flex with the changes that the Omicron outbreak has brought. Many of our staff, students and families have been personally affected by the virus. We have very much felt the support of the school community, as we here at school, navigate these tricky times. We hope and pray that this surge is beginning to tail off and that Term 2 will involve less illness and absence for all.

Also, welcome back to Gareth once again, it's great to see you around school once more. We are very proud of the accomplishment of the Chiefs Manawa side and the part you have played with this win. Congratulations.

Thank you all for your support during my tenure as Acting Principal. It has been my absolute privilege to serve in this role once again.

Arohanui Anne-Marie

#### **Keeping Ourselves Safe**

Last year we were all well-prepared to run our Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme. Unfortunately, Covid-19 Lockdowns did not allow this to happen. This programme will be running in the first 3-4 weeks of Term 2.

You may already have the links to the programme but for our families new to us, this may be new information.

#### About the programme

Keeping Ourselves Safe is a comprehensive personal safety programme for schools. Its purpose is to:

- teach students a range of safe practices that they can use when interacting with other people, both online and face to face.
- teach students how to recognise the difference between healthy and unhealthy relationships, and encourage students who have been or are being abused to seek help.

 prevent abuse by making parents and teachers more aware of their responsibilities to help students avoid abuse.

The programme link below pulls all of the resources we will use into one document and includes our policies for child safety pertinent to this programme. It has links to any and all lessons that will be covered. These lessons have been very well designed by the New Zealand Police. Please take the time to explore this document.

#### **Programme Link**

In week 2, we have the support of the NZ Police for each class when covering key lessons about Abuse.

If you have any questions at all about the programme, how it will run etc, please email me, Gill Gibbs gillg@sccs.school.nz

#### **Community Event**

K'aute Pasifika is hosting a "Rally Your Village" event this Saturday. This is a great chance for the community to get together. This event is organised and hosted by K'aute Pasifika, who have been a huge support to many of our families in recent months. There will be free food, lots of cool giveaways as well as a number of different services to check out. Here is a link to the Flyer - LINK

#### **Winter Uniform**

With Term 2 approaching, we will be transitioning into winter uniform after the school holidays. There is a two week period of changeover and then all children will be expected to be in full winter uniform. Uniform items and prices are listed further on in the newsletter.







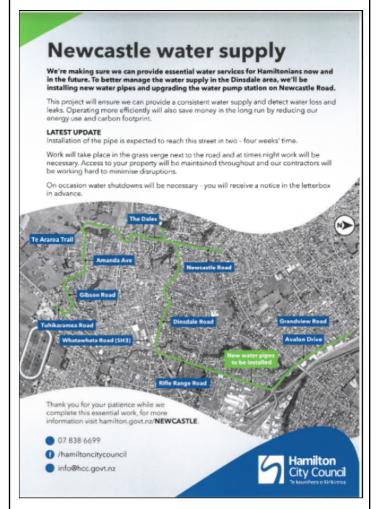
#### Work along Rifle Range Road

Traffic management is currently at the Whatawhata Rd end of Rifle Range Road with the construction crew installing the new pipeline at this location before continuing north down Rifle Range Road towards the SH1/Lincoln Rd roundabout end.

At this stage it looks like they're still about three weeks to a month away from being near St Columba's School, the rate of progress of installing the pipe depends on the ground conditions and a few other factors. We will let you know when the crew is getting closer to our school as it will impact traffic flow.

The works will operate under temporary traffic management which will be fully monitored and audited to ensure it remains safe.

The pipe location as it passes St Columba's will be roughly in the centre of Rifle Range Rd moving across to the school (west) side of the road.



# CATHOLIC CHARACTER



Next week we enter into a very reverent and holy time as a school.

We are being creative and agile in our commemorations. Each team has spent several weeks of learning and preparing for a special liturgy.

These are to be shared across the school and viewed in class.

### Team <sup>•</sup>

#### Palm Sunday

commemorates the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem. before his arrest on Holy Thursday and his crucifixion on Good Friday. It thus marks the beginning of Holy Week, the final week of Leet.

### Team 3

### Washing of the Feet and The Last

Supper commemorates the final night Jesus spent with the disciples. The Institution of the Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic Church.

## Team 4

#### The Stations of the Cross

This solemn presentation has always had special significance for our seniors. Our Year 7 and 8s share the last hours of Jesus before his death.

## Team 2

#### The Resurrection

Alleluial Alleluia!
A joyous time as we celebrate the
Resurrection of Jesus.
We truly are an
Easter People.



Loving Jesus, bring comfort and peace to the people in Ukraine.

E Te Ariki



The weight is unbearable.

Jesus falls under it.

Here are a couple of snippets from the upcoming liturgies.



# Registrations for Year 1-6 Hockey are still open! Register via our school website under the sports tab if your child is keen to play this season!



Hockey is played through Terms 2 & 3 and is offered from Yr 1 through to Yr 6. Yr 1-6 games are played Saturday morning starting <u>Saturday 7th May 2022. (Year 1-2 -14th May 2022)</u>Saturday morning games are played at either the Gallagher Hockey Centre or St Paul's Collegiate.

Playing tops are provided and players are to wear navy shorts, long navy socks and laced up sneakers. Shin pads & mouth guards are compulsory and parents are to supply these. Most players have their own hockey sticks, but we do have some that can be used.

NO playing dates: Queens Bday weekend. Matariki weekend and School Holidays.

Fees: approx \$60. TBC

#### 2022 WHA Mini Hockey Structure:

Yr1-2 - Rainbow Mini : 20 minute Coaching session, 20 minute games. Basic Introduction for first time players. Limited Rules, 4 players aside.

Yr3-4: 2x 13 min halves, played on quarter fields. For inexperienced players with few rules. 6 aside. No goalkeepers.

Yr-5-6: 2x 13 minute halves played on quarter fields. For experienced players with few rules. 6 aside. No goalkeepers.



### St Columba's Kids Club Holiday Programme

8:00am—5:30pm daily. Morning & afternoon tea provided. Bring your own lunch/drink bottle. Book in before *Monday 11th April 2022* and qualify for early bird prices below.



These are just some of the fun filled activities we will be doing. There are many more arts, crafts, sports, baking and games planned each day & we are OSCAR APPROVED!!!!

# St Columba's Catholic School WINTER UNIFORM



#### Yr 7 & 8 Senior Girls

SCCS L/Sleeve White Blouse \$50.00

Tartan Skirt \$50.00

Navy Blue Socks \$12.00

#### Yr 7 & 8 Senior Boys

SCCS L/sleeve Grey Shirt \$50.00

SCCS Navy Shorts \$42.00

Navy Blue Socks \$12.00













#### Yr 0-6 Junior Girls

SCCS L/sleeve polo \$35.00

Tartan Skort \$50.00

Navy Blue Socks \$12.00

Tartan Scrunchies \$ 5.00

Tartan Headbands \$12.00

#### Yr 0-6 Junior Boys

SCCS L/sleeve polo \$35.00

SCCS Grey shorts \$42.00 (these shorts are worn all year round)

Navy Blue Socks \$12.00









#### Unisex Items

SCCS Beanie \$15.00

SCCS Polar Fleece \$45.00

SCCS Jacket \$45.00 (fully lined with fleece)

#### Winter School Shoes

School shoes are to be black and must be able to be nuggeted. "Labelled" sport shoes with logos & designs with contrasting colours are not permitted. Canvas shoes are also not permitted.

Buckled, Velcro & Laces are All Acceptable.

# Examples of Correct Footwear



# Examples of Incorrect Footwear



# COMMUNITY NOTICES

#### **Public Transport**

All public transport is 50% off from now until the end of June, this means;

- Buses are super affordable right now, with fares across Hamiton being \$1 each way- visit <u>busit.co.nz</u> to find out more.
- This discount applies to Te Huia as well, so families can take the opportunity to travel to Auckland on the train for a fraction of the usual cost. A family pass (for 2 adults and up to 4 youth) is \$32.50 each way (nb: under 5's travel free). A perfect school holiday activity- visit

<u>https://tehuiatrain.co.nz/</u> to find out more.







# Calling all junior rugby superstars!...

There's still time to join us for the 2022 season!
If you're aged 3+ and keen to get involved, it's as easy as:

#### Register online at:

https://www.sporty.co.nz/franktonrugbysports

#### -> Come on down to weigh-ins:

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April 4-6pm Frankton rugby club, 131 Rifle Range Road

#### → Meet your team at muster:

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April 10am Frankton rugby club, 131 Rifle Range Road



Like the 'Frankton Junior Rugby' Facebook page for more information and updates!

