



St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora e te whānau

With only 2 weeks left of the term we are gearing up for a busy run to the finish line. Between our Speech Finals on Wednesday, Book Character dress up day on Thursday, the Matariki Mass and community celebration evening on Thursday and our House Dance competitions on Tuesday it is certainly going to be a fun week for the tamariki. I imagine the teachers will also be ready for a well deserve holiday after that!

As I have mentioned before, this year we are embarking on a massive shift in the way we teach, reading, writing and spelling. This has involved lots of learning for our staff and they have been amazing in this space and extremely well lead by Mrs Bates and Mrs Townson. Our next step is to share this new learning with you our parent community. On Tuesday 25 July (week 2), at 6pm we are holding a parent information evening. This is really important and we would love to see a really big turnout for this event, so make sure you put it in your calendar.

Have a great week,

Nga mihi
Callan

PUPILS OF THE WEEK AWARD

Ellie McDonald	Room 1
Viliame Sauto	Room 11
Laylah Hamlin	Room 5



SPECIAL CHARACTER

Monday was the birthday of a remarkable woman, whom one of our School Houses is named after. Since Suzanne Aubert's death on 1 October 1926, people from all walks of life have acknowledged Suzanne's goodness and holiness. Today, she lives on in the hearts and minds of New Zealanders and people throughout the world as the process continues for the Catholic Church to recognise her as a holy person or saint. In late 2016 Pope Francis declared Suzanne Aubert 'Venerable'. Being declared "Venerable" marks an important milestone on the path to being formally recognised as a saint.

Since 1988 the New Zealand Anglican Church has placed her in their Book of Common Prayer calendar as a saintly woman.



Please pray this prayer for the Beatification of Suzanne Aubert

"Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us that as often as we show compassion to the least of your brothers and sisters, we show it to you. Hear our prayers that the intercession of Venerable Suzanne Aubert, who supported the Māori people and devoted her life to the poor, the sick and the underprivileged, and whom the Church has declared to be one of your true and humble followers, will be recognized in a miraculous healing by the Church and will lead to her beatification. Amen."

SCHOOL BOOK FAIR

Where: Room 9

When: Monday 26th June to Friday 30th June

Time: 8.30am to 9.55am and 3.10pm to 3.30pm (not Friday)

Cash and Eftpos sales are available.

Book character dress up day: Thursday, 29th June

All children are to come to school dressed up as their favourite book character.



Matariki Celebration Night: Thursday, 29th June

The Book Fair will be open after School Mass.

YCC DAY – MUFTI DAY ON FRIDAY, 30TH JUNE

There will be a mufti day on Friday, 30th June for the following great cause. Please feel free to send a gold coin koha on this day.



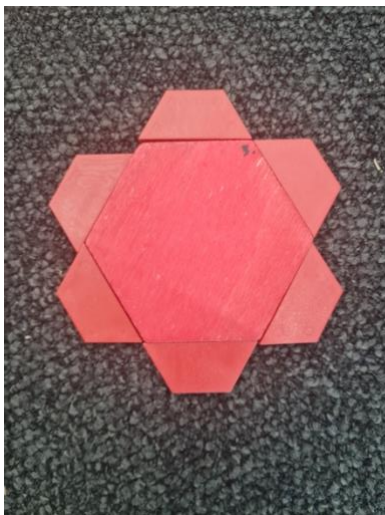
YCC Day is the day when Caritas combines with Catholic schools across New Zealand as together we stand in solidarity for a good cause and raise funds and awareness for a selected focus school.

For YCC Day in 2023, we are supporting Oecusse School in Timor Leste.

The school is in dire need of support to repair and replace all broken and unsanitary toilet bowls, repair handwashing stations in the toilet facilities, and to fix water pipes for transporting water to different areas in the school.

LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 1

Wow the end of the term is approaching fast and we have loads on in the final two weeks. We are all full steam ahead in preparing for our Matariki evening on the 29th of July. We have been creating stars using different shapes. We also can't wait for our cross country obstacle course and house challenge next Tuesday.

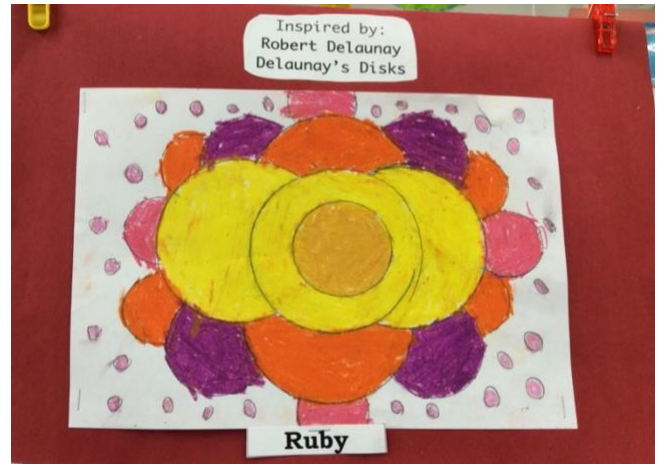
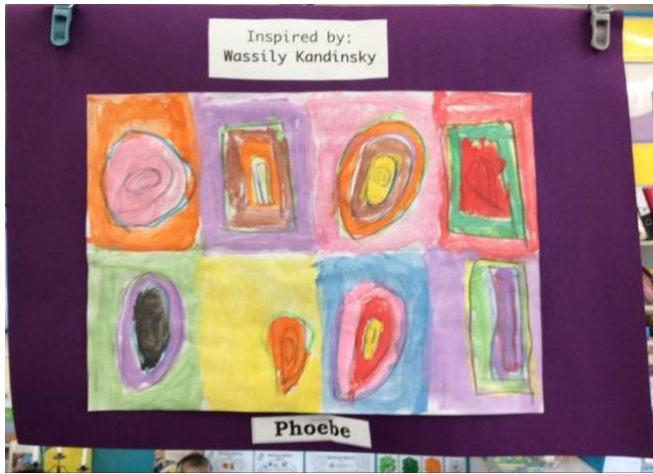


LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE ROOM 11

We have had a busy couple of weeks learning about using Geometry in art. We looked at three artists and were inspired by their art to make our own Geometric art.

We have had Jason in our classes teaching us about coding and using the iPads to create. Exciting stuff.

We are learning about God and his beautiful creations at the moment for Religious Education. In Science we are learning about changes of state and doing some cool experiments.



LEARNING FROM SENIOR SYNDICATE 6

Kia ora koutou from the Room 6 team.

We have been enjoying our time during Mathematics, designing our very own t-shirt! We had to include at least 2 forms of mathematics transformations (rotation, reflection, resizing, translation) in our design, and use symbols that represent our school house.

Today we had a wee break from our t-shirts and had a \$100 challenge. We had to design a Matariki feast for our whanau, learning about budgeting and rounding numbers to the nearest dollar. Once finished, we will use a calculator to check and see how close we were. These skills will be helpful when we help out at the supermarket.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Buddy Mass Roster

June:

Monday, 26 th	Buddy Class Mass Rooms 3 & 10
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June:

Mon, 26 th to Fri, 30 th	Book Fair week
Thursday, 29 th	Mufti Day - Book character dress up day Matariki Mass
Friday, 30 th	Mufti Day - Gold coin donation Last day of school for this term



St Patrick's School Structured Literacy Parent Evening

Tuesday 25th July 2023
6.00pm at St Patrick's School Hall

Movie and popcorn night for the kids!

