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# St Ignatius Catholic School Community Values: we will be ...

RESPECTFUL - WHAKANUI GENEROUS - OHAOHA RESPONSIBLE – TAKOHANGA HAPPY – HARI

LEARNERS

## Newsletter Twelve, September 14<sup>th</sup> 2012

HAPPY :

This means that like Saint Mary MacKillop we will... 'Find happiness in making others happy.'

*I am thankful for the happiness I feel inside. I enjoy my work and play. I appreciate the gifts this day holds for me.* 

## CATHOLIC SPECIAL CHARACTER

`Am I Supposed To Do Something?'

Thanks to those who joined us for the recent 'OUR FAITH' Parent Information Evening 'Am I Supposed To Do Something?' presented by Lyn Smith. The message acknowledged that as parents you are your children's first educators and as a catholic school we are in partnership with you along with your parish community to support the children's faith development. Handouts from the evening are available from the reception desk if you were unable to come; pick one up or request one by emailing the office. Also some folk may be interested in RCIA programme at St Ignatius Parish – see community notices.

Social Justice Week We will celebrate the focus of this week at the 9am mass at Mother of Perpetual Help Parish Glendowie on the last day of term.

**Sacramental Programme** This weekend is a very special one for many of our children. We pray for special blessings on the children in St Ignatius Parish being confirmed on Saturday at 5.30pm and those in Mother of Perpetual Help Parish receiving their First Eucharist at 10 o'clock Mass this Sunday.

#### CURRICULUM

SHARING LEARNING Team One children in Years 3, 4, 5, 6 will share English learning on the last day of term from 2.15 – 2.45. An invite will come soon.

ICAS SCIENCE AWARDS Congratulations to Xavier Silk who gained Distinction i.e. in the top 11% in New Zealand, and Valentina Serrano and William Sybertsma for gaining Credit in this demanding exam.

#### SPEECH

Results of our school Speech finals for Years 5 and 6: 1<sup>st</sup> Claudia Addock 2<sup>nd</sup> Kealani Kaiwai 3<sup>rd</sup> Valentina Serrano Congratulations to all the children whose preparation and presentation skills are impressive. Thanks to Mrs Wright and Miss Skinner for their astute judging. Kealani Kaiwai went on to ably represent us at the Auckland Primary Principals Association zone final at Remuera Primary School.

#### MUSIC

The 'Kids for Kids' World Vision concert led by Susanne Prentice, at Bruce Mason Theatre on September 11<sup>th</sup>, was very enjoyable, as we anticipated. Well done to the Year 5 and 6 children who had practised hard this term with Mrs McGregor and Mrs King. Great memory of all the lyrics and harmonies! Supporting this charity through sharing time and talents is a way of developing the children's attitude to service. Many thanks to parents for having the children over the shore in plenty of time during such a busy week when you are all juggling so many commitments.

## SOCIAL SKILLS

Today the children were captivated by the 'Bully No More' show, an Australian drama presentation, being both appreciative of the humour but very thoughtful of the message. The definition of 'bullying' is that it is purposeful, planned, and repeated and takes a variety of forms. We know children are often exposed to some very poor modelling of behaviour in various media and other venues and we constantly endeavour to raise their awareness of the effect their words and actions have on others. Children don't learn inappropriate language in our classrooms, or at home either we're sure. We tell them that if they wouldn't choose to use particular words/expressions in their parents' or teachers' presence, even if they don't know the meaning, it's a good clue that the particular language is not acceptable.

**CHESS** The following children represented us at the Catholic Schools Chess Tournament, gaining valuable experience in this unfamiliar format: Sofija Matijasevich, Isla Finlay, Ollie Hayden, Ollie Semmens, Finn Welham, Leo Ennis, Hannah Naish, Tom Dunbar, Ben Dell, Finlay Jeffs, Luca Mazzaschi, Xavier Silk.

Many thanks to Gina Matijasevich for transporting and managing the children all day, and Daria Spence, Paula Dell, and Sarah Jeffs for transporting. Our children can enjoy such a variety of activities because of parents' generosity.

## KIWISPORT

**Congratulations** to these placegetters from very large fields in the recent Bay Suburbs Cross Country at Churchill Park: Y6 Boys Ben Davis 8<sup>th</sup>, Y6 Girls Gemma McDougall 4<sup>th</sup>, Y4 Girls Sophia McDougall 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Cricket** The Years 0, 1, and 2 children participated in cricket sessions organized by the University Club on Monday. Perhaps some more will be keen to play Saturday cricket over the summer.

**Tri Kids** On a bitterly cold Wednesday this week all the children took part in the Tri Kids programme with great enthusiasm as they 'fake swam', cycled and ran. They were also very patient spectators as they awaited their turns.

**Skipping** A current PE focus is developing skipping skills. The children will share their successes early next term.

<u>SICKNESS</u> Ill health is continuing with many children and staff requiring time home. As is expected at this time of year some children have chicken pox so keep an eye on any suspicious spots often preceded by children feeling 'out of sorts.' <u>PTA</u> and <u>Helpers</u> Today you will have received the Catalogues for the Live and Silent Auctions at the Solid Gold Hits of the 80s. These are testament to the amazing group of parents we have in our community who continue to work incredible hours to organise the Auction night, using their range of talents so collaboratively and generously. THANKYOU ALL!

## TE WAIPUNA COLLECTION

September 17 –September 21 Rooms Atawhai 4, Whakapono 8, Aroha 9 September 24– September 28 Rooms Rangimarie 2, Rongo 6, Mahaki 10, Humarika 1

October 15 – October 19 Rooms Te Honohono Painga 3, Kia Hari 5, Hana 7 ... are invited to contribute weetbix, tinned fish or meat, pasta, and rice to the food cube in their classroom.

Te Waipuna also really appreciates bedding and <u>children's and women's</u> clothing which can be left in the blue collection bin in the office area.

#### CALENDAR: IMPORTANT DATES

September 17	Gym Bus running sessions for Rooms Mahaki 10 &
	Whakapono 8
September 20	9am Mass Rooms Hana 7, Te Honohono Painga 3,
	Kia Hari 5
September 20	GREEN TEAM stall selling garden produce 2.30 - 3.15
September 22	PTA Auction and Solid Gold Hits of the 80s Night
September 25	Ronald McDonald Traffic Safety Show for Years 0, 1, 2, 3
September 26	NZ Civil Defence Shakeout exercise for whole school 'Drop, cover, hold' drill
September 28	9 am Whole school Mass at Mother of Perpetual Help Parish,
	Glendowie; Sausage Sizzle, last Friday of the month,
	Last day of term, finish at the usual time.

**PRAYERFUL CONDOLENCES** to those grieving recent losses of loved ones: the Dennis family's great granddad, the Millard family's uncle, the Jackett & Sullivan families' great grandma, the Ponsonby family's great grandma, the Ryan family's great grandma

#### COMMUNITY NOTICES

#### • R.C.I.A (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Programme

At the St Ignatius Parish started on Sunday 9th September. Now running two more sessions on Sunday 16th Sept & Sunday 23rd Sept at 11am in the Parish Centre.

Anyone can come along with a friend or relative if they prefer. There is no commitment required, no decision to be made – it is very gentle and inclusive.

What we have planned for the last 2 sessions.....

**On 16th September** we have planned to do a tour of the church and discuss all the symbols and items in the church e.g. Tabernacle, Altar, Stations of Cross, vestments etc

On 23rd September we have planned to look at the Liturgical calendar and how the Bible is structured and its history.

Come along after the 9.30 Mass (11am) on Sunday 16th and 23rd of September. There will be gatherings in the parish Centre for those who would like more information about what it is to be a Catholic Christian. Bring a friend. Everyone Welcome. If you would like more information, please phone Gina Matijasevich 5758959 or Talu Hickey 5758866

For individuals who are thinking about being a Catholic or wish to deepen their own faith, this is a wonderful opportunity for them.

#### Movie Night

 This may be your last chance to get tickets to the Adult Literacy Movie Night fundraiser (Adult Literacy Tamaki assists adults who need help with reading, writing, maths etc.)
 Film: THE SAPPHIRES

About the movie:- It's 1968, and four young talented Australian Aboriginal girls learn about love, friendship and war when their girl group 'The Sapphires' entertains the US troops in Vietnam. Based on a true story.

Date: Wednesday 19th September Time: 5.45pm for a 6.10pm showing Venue: The Lido, Manukau Road, Epsom

Tickets: \$25 includes glass of wine (or soft drink) and nibbles For tickets or further information please contact Anne Howard annhoward16@hotmail.com

Marriage Encounter Weekend: 12-14 October at Allenby Park Motor Inn,

Manukau

A special weekend to enrich your marriage and strengthen your love. For all marriages, young and old, Catholic or mixed.

Telephone 0800ENCOUNTER (0800 362 686) for more information. Brochures available on request.

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Quiz Night - St Ignatius Parish
              Saturday 27th October
  Date:
  Time:
               7.30pm
               Parish Centre
  Where:
  How much: $15
  Tickets available from
                         Gina Matijasevich 5758959
                         Ann Howard 5850558
                         Parish Centre Office (mornings only) 5755227
Limited door sales on the night
BYO drinks & nibbles
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- It should be a fun night!
- Make up a table (max size 10) or come along and join a table
- We're also looking for donations for prizes (wine, chocolates, mugs etc) - if you can help with this please contact Gina or Ann

## AMI Auckland Netball Centre - October Holiday Programmes

- AMI Auckland Netball offers a great range of Holiday Programmes to suit all ages and abilities. Our programmes are run by fun, dedicated, qualified staff.
- Week 1: 1 5<sup>th</sup> October Week 2: 8 12<sup>th</sup> October 2012
- Netball | Multisport | Dance | NEW Futsal (Indoor Soccer)
- Combination Packages available.
- - For further information and registration forms please email
- Carley Eklund or visit our website www.aucklandnetball.co.nz or 5700030 Ext 204



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#### Tennis

Glendowie Tennis Club has a coaching course scheduled for the second week of the Spring holidays: 8-12 October, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, \$120 for five mornings, with discounts for GTC members and for larger families. Challenges for all level players aged 5-15; ball and racquet skills, ball machine drills, video analysis, game rules, tactics and technique, RAIN OR SHINE. racquet (can be hired). Please contact Campbell Cramer-Roberts (GTC Coach) CampbellCR@xtra.co.nz or 575-7845

 Multi-Sport days: kayaking, basketball, softball and cricket; Robotics with LEGO; an Airport tour; a pet safari and farm visit day; Animation; fishing; art; computer game design; a Soccer Clinic; mountain biking; a Dancing and Singing three-day option and SO much more.

#### Weekdays 1-12 October - based at Parnell District School.

Phone 09 555 5194, email <u>pfc@parnell.org.nz</u> or visit <u>www.parnell.org.nz</u> Parnell Trust provides a fun and safe programme for children aged 5 to 14 years

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#### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY'S BUILD CHALLENGE 2012 IS ON!

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• September 29<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> October.