



St Claudine Thévenet  
School

## Week Eight Term One Monday 21 March 2016

"As we grow in awareness of one another – a wonderful thing begins to happen: we begin to care for the other as if the other is part of us. This is the magic of life that our ancient teachers have bid us to see; the invisible filaments of interconnectedness that bind us together in love and appreciation."  
-- Scott A. Hunt

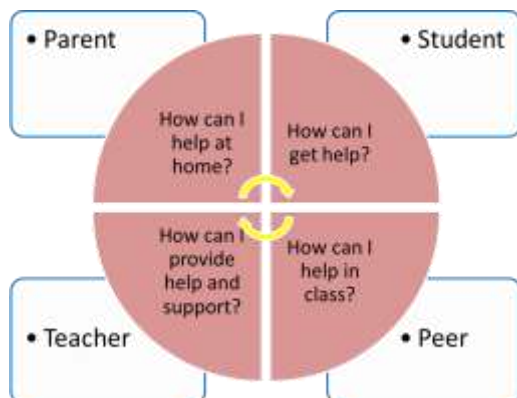
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Our focus for this week leading up to Easter is Solidarity. Solidarity is the act of standing on the side of those who most need our help. It differs from charity in that we are called to DO something to change the situation rather than give to help a person. When systems are unjust we are all called to speak up and make a stand for what is right.

This week students are preparing for their Easter Story... We take all the students through the Stations of the Cross to teach them about the death and resurrection of Jesus. Each class prepares one station and shares this with the rest of the school. It is always a very moving liturgy and gives us all a sense of what it is Jesus has done in order that we have life and have it to the full. We know Easter is much more than the commercial idea of chocolate and Easter eggs. Whilst it is lovely for children to receive them we would encourage you to make sure you talk to them about the real meaning of this season... the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.

This term you will have all developed goals for your child's learning. These goals are set alongside the goals your child has for themselves and the goals the teacher has for them. We know only too well that learning is a partnership. None of us can learn on our own, we need to talk about our learning, share our learning with others and get support when we need it.

Last year we introduced the learning partnership model and you were all happy to identify what it is you will do to help your child achieve their goals. This partnership is a four way partnership as in this model below:



This week teachers are preparing the student/ peer and teacher sections. A copy will then be sent home for you to complete the parent section. This will be used for you to review at learning conversations later in the year.

Have a great week  
Sue Jury

## NEW HOUSE FLAGS:

On Friday we unveiled the new House Flags. These flags were initially designed by Molly Gifford with the final design by Speedy Signs. They were funded by the 2015 Student Council. We are delighted to have these as our new house banners and we know that they will be well used at all house events.



**A reminder that Tuesday 29 March is a School Holiday, included as Easter Tuesday.**

### **Board of Trustees 2016**

Thank you to all those parents who have sent back their survey. At our Board meeting on Wednesday we will collate the information and ideas you have shared with us and we will begin to make some plans for the development of our playing area.

Thank you also to those who have offered to help with the many things we have planned at school this year. These names and numbers will be collated and shared with the staff who are responsible for the organisation of the events so as they are able to contact you when the time arrives.

This year we will hold our triennial elections for the Board of Trustees. We are looking for new members to join the BOT. If you are thinking about standing please contact Karen Kirkland to talk about what the role is and how to go about becoming a candidate.

Karen Kirkland:  
[karenkirkland@xtra.co.nz](mailto:karenkirkland@xtra.co.nz)  
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## ***Connected Community, Successful Learners!***

We have a great opportunity to work together to develop a Community of Learning in Wainuiomata.

We would like to have a conversation with you about the possibilities and opportunities for learners in the Wainuiomata Community.

*Come and share your ideas with us!*

**7pm-9pm**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2016**

**Wainuiomata Community Centre**

*Hosted by:*

*Arakura School, Fernlea School, Konini Primary School, Pukeatua Primary School, St Claudine Th  venet School, Wainuiomata High School, Wainuiomata Intermediate School, and Wainuiomata Primary School*

*"Be the change you want to see in the world" Mahatma Gandhi*

Our next two weeks in view:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
21 Student Council 10am	22 Girls Rippa 9-2 Cannons Creek	23  BOT 7pm	24 Culture Group Holy Thursday - Liturgy 1.30pm	25 <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>
28 <b>EASTER MONDAY</b>	29 <b>EASTER TUESDAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY</b>	30 Yr 5/6 Sports Festival Westpac Stadium 10-2	31 Kapa Haka	1 Team Singing

### **REMINDER**

Remember to send back the yellow Health Information Form, also the Board of Trustees feedback form to be in the draw for the \$100 Gift Card by Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March.

### **RUGBY WORLD CUP**

The Rugby World Cup will be doing a tour of NZ Schools. Wainuiomata High School is one of those lucky Schools to host the RWC cup. A special guest will also be touring with the cup.

**Date:** Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March **Time:** 3.30-4.30pm **Venue:** School Gym/Field

All parents & students in the Wainuiomata area are invited.

### **WHIO FUN FOR EASTER:**

Staglands Wildlife Reserve is marking [WHIO AWARENESS MONTH](#) with a fun-filled EASTER WEEKEND of WHIO RIVER RACING at The Reserve, 25th – 28th MARCH. Early birds through the gate will receive a special number that corresponds to a plastic Whio. Races will take place twice daily throughout the Easter long weekend, with some fantastic prizes up for grabs for the top ducks across the finish line!! Also meet our resident Whio pair in their exciting new walk-through aviary, a wonderful recreation of their natural habitat. Find out more at [www.staglands.co.nz](http://www.staglands.co.nz)

### **School Holiday Computer Classes**

For ages 5 – 15 in Minecraft, Create 3D Games, Coding, Web Design, Animation, Video Editing, and Building a PC and if young the Discovery Computer Class. For further information call 488 0787 or e-mail [www.grandtraining.co.nz](http://www.grandtraining.co.nz).

### **Sunday 17 - Thursday 21 April .El Rancho Kids Camp.**

The theme is "LET'S GO CAMPING".....so there'll be the same great camp experience we usually offer, along with a Survival stream for those that are keen to sleep outdoors and challenge their survival skills!

Book at [www.elrancho.co.nz](http://www.elrancho.co.nz).

### **LOST**

A new black Katmandu puffer jacket (Named) has gone missing from school. If your child has taken home in error, please return to the school office.

### **The Great Zealandia Easter Egg Hunt**

[ZEALANDIA Eco-Sanctuary](#), Waiapu Road, Karori, Wellington

Friday 25 March 2016 – Monday 28 March 2016 9:00am – 5:00pm

Part of [Easter Holidays Fun](#)

Where: [ZEALANDIA Eco-Sanctuary](#), Waiapu Road, Karori, Wellington

Restrictions: All Ages

Admission: Free

### **EASTER EGG HUNT FOR CHILDREN**

[Wellington Chocolate Factory](#), 5 Eva St, Te Aro, Wellington

Sunday 27 March 2016 12:30pm – 12:50pm Open to children of all ages, cost \$5.00 check website for more information



Thanks for your continued support.