



St Claudine Thévenet  
School

Week One Term Four Friday 14 October 2016

*“Believe in yourself and all that you are. Know that there is something inside you that is greater than any obstacle.”*  
Christian Larson

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to the final term of the year. We hope you have all had a wonderful holiday filled with fun family time and that the first week back at school has been a smooth transition back to the term routines.

In the holidays I was fortunate to be able to spend a week in Samoa. It was a wonderful opportunity to see where so many of our families come from. I was blessed to be able to visit the grandparents of some of our children as well as attend mass in the most beautiful Cathedral in Apia. It is a beautiful tribute to the Catholic- Samoan tradition with a most amazing centre piece dome which depicts the last supper – Jesus and his disciples are dressed in ie layalava with the traditional Pe’a (tattoo). The singing was wonderful and reminded me of our liturgy at school. I also attended a fia fia night which included an ‘ava ceremony. The singing at the fia fia night was outstanding and reinforced how important this group is in the context of our school. It was such great learning for me and has certainly given me a first-hand experience of the people I have worked with for so long. Fa’afetai Samoa.

As we begin this term our theme is ENCOURAGEMENT. It is important as we move towards final assessments for the year that we encourage our students in their efforts, to affirm what they have achieved thus far and to acknowledge and celebrate the progress they have made.

Our curriculum focus for the final term is – Change- Imagining possible futures. Students have identified many areas of interest which include – robots, future schools, time travel, future classrooms, the future for our earth, time capsules and many more. Take some time to talk to your children about what they are learning – I’m sure they are going to be only too happy to share their ideas of the future with you. It would also be wonderful for you to share what you think about the future – maybe talk with them about what you hope for them in the future. Children need to know you have high hope for them in a range of settings.

Our calendar for the term is attached to this newsletter and will also be available on the school app.

Have a wonderful weekend

Sue Jury  
Principal

Week	Theme	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
One	Encouragement	10 School Starts 8.40am	11  Team 3pm	12	13	14 Kapa Haka Team Singing 1.45pm
Two	Encouragement	17  Accent Learning 8.40am E-Tap 9.30-12.30  Team 3pm	18 RTLb 10.30am  Staff- RE	19  Yr 5/6 sports meeting 3.30pm	20	21  Holy Trinity B3 Culture Group  Assembly D1
Three	Self- Belief	24  LABOUR DAY	25 e-asTTle writing  Staff 3pm	26 Yr7/8 touch Clara-Georgia	27 e-asTTle Maths  WPA – 8am	28 e-asTTle reading STAR  Kapa Haka  School Singing 1.45pm
Four	Self-Belief	31  Team 3pm	1 Yr 5/6 Softball	2	3	4 Data Complete SHC Visit 11am Holy Trinity B2 Culture Group  Assembly C3
Five	Pride	7  Team 3pm	8  Staff 3pm	9  Achievement Report BOT  BOT – 6.30pm	10  Accent Learning 8.40am	11 Seniors Mass  Leaders Planning Day Kapa Haka  Team Singing 1.45pm
Six	Pride	14  Water Skills Team 3pm	15 Yr 5/6 Cricket	16	17	18  Culture Group Assembly A1
Seven	Innovation	21  Water Safety Team 3pm	22  Staff 3pm	23	24	25  Reports due to Team Leader
Eight	Innovation	28  Team 3pm	29	30  BOT 6.30pm	1  Accent Learning 8.40am	2 Record of learning complete  <b>50c Day</b>
Nine	Community as gift	5  Team 3pm	6 Ki-o-rahi tournament Staff 3pm	7  BOT 6.30pm	8 Graduation Dinner	9 Seniors Mass Leavers' morning tea Kapa Haka
Ten	Community as gift	12  Presentation Night 6pm	13 Final Assembly 11am			

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## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### **Rippa Rugby Tournament**

On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September we took two teams down to Wainui High to participate in the Year 5/6 Wainuiomata Schools Rippa Tournament.

The High School students organised and ran the tournament and did a great job. The weather was drizzly and cool but the kids had a great time. Our teams only lost one game each and finished 3<sup>rd</sup> overall which was a great effort !!!

Special thanks to Kalani Mose and our Sports Captains Jayde and Joy Maria for helping look after the teams. *Mr Mac*

### **Free Golf Coaching at Wainuiomata Golf Course**

Hello my name is Shirley Hay and I am the convenor for the Wainuiomata Golf Club's Junior Coaching Programme. Can you please let your students and their parents know about our junior golf coaching programme which starts from Tuesday 11 October 2016.

1. Coaching takes place **every Tuesday between 5 and 6pm** at the Wainuiomata Golf Course which is on the Coast Road.
2. The **first session will be on Tuesday 11 October 2016**.
3. The age range is for children from **6 years to 13 years**.
4. The coaching is done by qualified volunteers and we also have assistance from a professional golf coach (Dean Kingsbeer).
5. **It is free** and all equipment is provided.

The coaching is structured to introduce golf to beginners in an environment which is fun and safe.

1. For beginners we use plastic clubs and tennis balls.
2. For the more advanced and for juniors who have had previous coaching we use real golf clubs and balls.

If any of you and your siblings are interested in learning to play golf **please contact Shirley Hay at (04)977 8304 or call the Wainuiomata Golf Club manager at (04) 564 7746**.

### **WAINUIOMATA AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB**

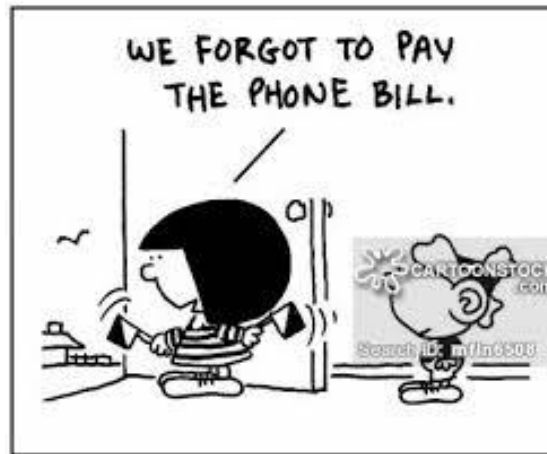
Learn to swim every Monday & Wednesday 6-7pm ages 5 and up. Registration days 7<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> November at the Wainuiomata swimming pool, bring your togs & towel. \$80 per term per person, or \$150 for the season (Term one 14<sup>th</sup> November to 14 December & Term two 8<sup>th</sup> February until pool shuts).

### **SCHOOL PHOTOS**

The proofs for School Photos were sent home with students on Wednesday 21 September. Orders can be placed online by 19 October. For more information you can contact them direct on 0800 437447 or [info@schoolmemories.co.nz](mailto:info@schoolmemories.co.nz)

### **LUCKY BOOK CLUB**

If you wish to place an order please return order form and money to the office by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October. Alternatively you are able to order online: [mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz](http://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz)



### **SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE**

If you are experiencing financial difficulties please contact Mrs Neville to make payment arrangements [leeannen@stclaudine.school.nz](mailto:leeannen@stclaudine.school.nz) or phone 9399189.

### **GOOD CHILDREN to GREAT CHILDREN via NUTRITION.**

NZ Kids Food are a new locally owned and operated company offering an easy and convenient service for parents and caregivers to order their child's school lunches via an online service. Lunches are a low cost alternative to some conventional methods of ordering lunches for your children. Our rates start at \$4.50 per lunch (if you are a Community Services Card holder). Lunches are delivered fresh daily to the school by 10am, and incorporate food based on the Ministry of Health food and nutritional guidelines. For every lunch ordered through NZ Kids Food, 10c will be donated back to our School, as contribution and support towards the school. This is a great way to give back to the school and local community. For more information about our service, visit [www.nzkidsfood.co.nz](http://www.nzkidsfood.co.nz) or 0800543736

### **COMMUNICATION 2016**

Communication is a very important part of our relationship with you. Below are the three forms of communication we use...

- Email – if you wish to receive communication via email please ensure the office have your correct email address. We are able to send all newsletters and notices via email
- Website – [www.stclaudine.school.nz](http://www.stclaudine.school.nz) – this is in the process of being updated for the 2016 school year.
- Our school App – this is downloadable from the app store – if you already have the app you will need to update this for 2016 as there are some things which have been updated for ease of use.



We post updates and messages on our school Facebook page along with celebrating special events our students and staff are involved in.