



St Claudine Thévenet
School

Friday 25 May 2018



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Our theme for the next two weeks is Courage. As we explore courage we are reminded of the model of Jesus and the courage he showed so many times in his life. We are also reminded of all of those who take a stand, shown courage in big and wonderful ways...For us courage may not be this dramatic... it may be the smallest and simple step of having the courage to try again... the courage to stand up for others... the courage to speak the truth....the courage to own up to our mistakes...the courage to ask for help. So many times in our life we call on the courage to do something. Courage is a little like bravery but comes from a place of gift... the gift of God's spirit within us to urge us on knowing God is always by our side. Take some time over the next couple of weeks to talk to your children about courage, to share with them times you have showed courage in your decisions and actions. You are a wonderful model for your children and hearing your experiences enriches them greatly.

On Monday our Senior Pasifika group are heading into Victoria University in Wellington to be part of the opening of Samoan Language week. They have been working so hard in preparation for this event and I know that they will most certainly make us all proud. Thanks to Ms Auta and Ms Tuifao for their work with these wonderful students. We will share photos and reflection on our school Facebook page as soon as we can.

Next week is our assessment week. Students from Year 3-8 will undertake their formal assessments in reading, writing and maths along with some self and peer assessments in their connected learning areas and Ako Pai. These assessments and reflections will form part of their mid year report which is due to be sent home on the last day of term. This report will show you how your child is progressing and give you a good sense of their areas of strength and their next steps. We also offer some advice about how you can help at home. The students will take some time to reflect on their learning journey goals and will be able to share with you how they are travelling. Progress is an individual journey and we hope you will be able to talk about that progress with your children.

Have a wonderful weekend

Sue Jury
Principal

Dates to Remember

- May 28—30 Assessment Week
- May 28 Samoan Language Week Opening (Victoria University)
- May 29—BOT Meeting 6.30pm
- Friday June 1 School Cross Country
Year 1-3 (School) Year 4-8 (Farm Run)
- 6 June Sacred Heart Open Day visit 11.30
- Sunday 6 June Baptism 7pm Mass— St Patrick's
- Saturday 9 June— Portrait fundraiser
- 13-15 June Catholic Schools Convention
- 20 June Reconciliation Lesson 1
1.30-2.30pm
- 27 June Reconciliation Lesson 2
1.30-2.30pm
- 28 June Yr. 8 visit St Bernard's
- 29 June—PAID UNION MEETINGS—
Students collected 12.30pm
- July 6—Pride Assembly and Blessing Ceremony
- 7 July— Holidays begin



Wet Weather—

As the wet weather arrives it is an appropriate time to remind you as parents and adults responsible for the care of children about driving, dropping off and picking up children and parking in and around the school. Over the last week we have noticed some poor decision making in terms of this and remind you of our expectations in terms of keeping ALL children safe:

Park and stop legally—(not on yellow lines)

Drive slowly and carefully (particularly near the crossing)

Respect the work of the School Patrol Students

Use the crossing AT ALL TIMES

Use the Pedestrian access to the school (not the driveway)

Children will do as adults do... be a role model!

Teacher Union Meeting

A date for your calendar On Friday 29 June we would appreciate if you could collect your child/ren at the earlier time of 12.30pm as school will finish then. This is due to teachers attending a union meeting in the afternoon where they will receive updates regarding the progress of the NZEI campaign (It's time: Kua Tae Te Wa) which has a focus on discussions that lead to teachers and principals being valued, resourced and supported to meet the learning needs of every child.

Friday
29 June
12.30





Next week is our *School Fun-Run!*

The event will kick off **at 9.30 for Year 4-8** at **The Farm Run** and **at 11.00 for Year 1-3 at School**. We look forward to seeing students get involved.

If any parents would like to get involved please call the office on **9399189** but even if you can't help, we'd love to see you down there on the day cheering the kids on... Everyone's invited!

Did you know that you can WIN a \$30,000 Ultimate Family Experience by setting up your student profile online and raising \$1 online? Just head over to schoolfundraising.co.nz. Once you've created your page there are some great things you can do. You can sign up for online fundraising, pick your target prize and become a fundraising superstar. I hope you'll help us recognise the people that make our school what it is! If you're having any trouble setting up your student profile or fundraising online, please get in touch with the Fun-Run team on 0800 377 170.

HOW TO ORDER YOUR PRIZE:

Between *15th June* and *22nd June* simply visit schoolfundraising.co.nz and create / log into your **Profile Page**. Then click on the **'ORDER PRIZES'** button and follow the prompts.

If you have any questions, please contact the *School Fun-Run* team on 0800 377 170 and they will gladly assist!

Community Notices

Changes to 10-trip tickets used on Classic Coach school buses in

Wainuiomata

From Sunday 17 June 2018, Snapper will replace 10-trip tickets on the school bus services in Wainuiomata. If you buy a 10-trip ticket before 17 June, you will still be able to use this until 30 June 2018. The alternative for students using Metlink buses is to pay using a Snapper card with a Child Concession applied. Your school bus will be Metlink lime and yellow. Remember to check the route number and destination before you get on-board. **For more information please see:**

www.metlink.org.nz/on-our-way

'Spirited' - Youth Music Jam

Sunday, May 27th, 11:30-1:30 at Our Lady of the Rosary Church in Waiwhetu.

All young people **age 12** and up welcome.

Bring along any instrument you play and/or your singing voice.

A casual, fun, get together playing and listening to contemporary Christian music.

Pizza lunch provided!

Contact Lucy Ryan 0226539525 for more details.

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