



St Bernard's School Newsletter

07 March 2022

Term 1, Week 6

Upcoming Events

March

15 - First Aid Sessions

April

04 - 3 Way Conferences (TBC)

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16 - Term 1 Finishes, 3pm

2022 Term Dates

Term 1 Thurs 3 Feb - Thurs 14 Apr

Term 2 Mon 2 May - Thurs 7 July

Term 3 Mon 25 Jul - Fri 30 Sept

Term 4 Mon 17 Oct - Fri 16 Dec

Teacher Only Day - Fri 8 July

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Principals Message

Now, more than ever, it is important that we can communicate swiftly and effectively with our community.

Our main channel is through Classdojo. Please can you make sure you have connected with your child's 2022 class. If your child is still in the same class as last year, please check that you are still receiving messages and class stories. Please also enable notifications on your phones so that when messages arrive you see them in a timely manner.

On the 4th and 5th of April we will be holding Three-way Learning Conferences. Appointment times for these will be made this year through visiting our school app. Please install the app on your phones and register with the school. The app can be downloaded through the Playstore and is called Skoolloop. If you do not have the ability to install the app, please let Katrina know so that appointments can be made in another way.

As you will have heard last week, we had one positive covid case in the school community. This case has not been at school during their infectious period and is now fully recovered and symptom free. Thank you so much to the family for making the great choice to isolate as soon as symptoms appeared. Thank you to other families who have also chosen to isolate for precautionary reasons when they have had contacts outside of the school community. We are all in this together. Please shout out if there is ever anything we can do, whether it be providing work for children while they are at home, doing a supermarket run or supplying a bit of baking.

Welcome

A big welcome to Te Kahuirere who joined Room 1 on Friday. Please say hi to her parents Te Aroha and Te Atau and their partners Simon and Shannon and make them feel welcome.

Lisa

Faith

From the DRS

Introducing our 2022 Liturgical Leaders. I am so lucky to have six wonderful, enthusiastic liturgical leaders this year. Thank you for volunteering for this ministry.

Liturgical Leaders 2022



Greta, Flynn, Logan, Kenzi, Sam and Toby

Library Visits Unfortunately, under the red setting guidelines we are unable to visit the Brooklyn Library.

Class Programmes

Room 1

In Room One this week, we enjoyed the beginning of Lent. We made pancakes on Tuesday and celebrated Ash Wednesday Mass with the school community.

We spoke about Lenten promises and wrote our own. We discussed turning over a new leaf and trying our best to make good choices.



In literacy this week, we've learned about recount writing and wrote about our experience of making pancakes.

We continued our work on habitats this week by looking at micro habitats. We went on a big hunt around the school. We collected and observed slugs, worms and slaters and observed butterflies and bees in their habitats.

We've enjoyed continuing our art sessions with Whaea Vanessa. Check out our amazing pastel drawings.



Room 2

On Tuesday, Room 2 made pancakes after learning about Shrove Tuesday pancake traditions around the world. Yummy! We were stunned to learn the longest pancake was over 15 metres long and wondered, how big was the frying pan?



Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Day

More students have finished their butterfly craft. Here are Saskia, Blake and Dara's.



First, the butterfly lays some eggs on a leaf. Next, the eggs hatch into a stripey caterpillar. Then, the caterpillar turns into the green chrysalis. It finally hatches into a beautiful black and orange Monarch butterfly. Saskia

First, a female butterfly lays an egg on a leaf. Then, the egg hatches letting the caterpillar out. Next, the caterpillar eats a lot of food until it's too full that it goes into a chrysalis. After a few weeks the butterfly comes out then the life cycle starts all over again. Blake

First, a female butterfly lays an egg on a swan plant. Next, the egg hatches and a baby caterpillar crawls out. Then, the baby caterpillar eats lots of swan plant leaves until the baby caterpillar is full. After that the baby caterpillar hangs upside down on a branch and forms a chrysalis. Finally, in a few weeks the chrysalis hatches and a black and orange butterfly comes out and dries its wings. Next, when the butterfly is ready, the butterfly unfurls its wings and lifts off. Finally, it finds a swan plant leaf to lay an egg and the life cycle happens again. Annabel

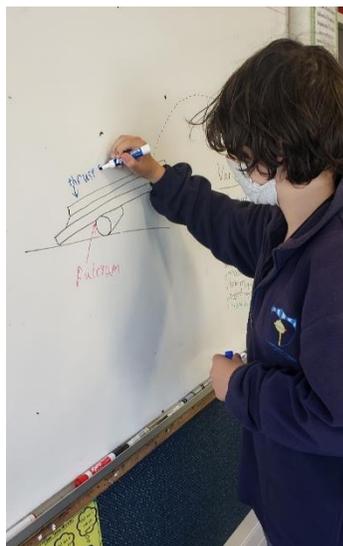
First, a female butterfly flutters to a swan plant leaf and lays her eggs on the underside of a leaf. Soon, the eggs hatch and baby caterpillars come into the world. Next, the caterpillars eat a lot of leaves. After that, the caterpillars spin some silk, which they wrap around their bodies to form chrysalis. Finally, the chrysalis turns transparent and looks black inside. Soon, the butterfly hatches! Esther

Room 4

Last Tuesday, Room 4 spent the first session of the day making and testing paper catapults. We had our science advisor Stephen Williams with us. Stephen explained Sir Isaac Newton's three laws of motion before the children started making their catapults. After the construction, it was testing time! The children made targets and fired three missiles. Lots of fun was had when they tested the distance and accuracy of their catapults!



We wish Vincent Happy Birthday wishes for his 10th birthday last Wednesday. We really enjoy having Vincent in Room 4, with the fantastic enthusiasm he brings for learning and the kindness he shows to the other children! Ka Pai Vincent!



Public Notices

Karate

Do You Want to be Fit, Resilient and Know How to Defend Yourself? Book your free trial BEGINNERS' KARATE class available on Sundays at 5pm or Wednesdays at 5.30pm. Bring a mate and you both get a 20% discount on your first term fee. Your term time too busy? Book your 2-DAY FUN KARATE HOLIDAY PROGRAMME. Contact Sensei Patricia at www.familyfitkarate.co.nz/contact
Cardio&Core 30-mins Strength Class for Busy People like You! We focus on building your strength and toning your tummy and arms - it's the perfect match to your walking regime. Book your FREE trial class, contact Patricia at: www.familyfitkarate.co.nz/contact