St Bernard's School Newsletter

11 April 2022 **Term 1, Week 11**

Upcoming Events

April

13 - Whole School Mass

14 - Term 1 Finishes, 3pm

May

02 - Term 2 Begins, 9am

06 - Football Coaching

13 - Football Coaching

20 - Football Coaching

27 - Football Coaching

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

Thank you to parents for joining our learning conferences last week. It was wonderful to hear of how confident the children were when sharing their goals and I know teachers really enjoyed being able to connect with parents. Those families who were unable to attend due to isolation can contact teachers and make new appointments.

Easter Mass
On Wednesday morning at 9am we will be celebrating Mass in the school hall. Children will be reading and dramatising stories of Holy Week. Parents are welcome to join us. Please wear a mask and maintain social distancing.

Mufti Day
On Thursday, we will hold a mufti day with a gold coin donation to go towards supporting Caritas in their work. Children may wear any item of clothing they wish.
Lisa

Faith

Parish Newsletter
This week's Parish newsletter is available here.

School News

Absences
If your child is sick or unable to attend school for all or part of the day, please either phone 3899377, email the school office on office@stbernards.school.nz or send a notification via the school app (skool loop) by 9.00 a.m. so that your child's absence can be accounted for. Children who are late need to report to the office in case they have been marked absent by the teacher who takes the roll first thing in the morning.
If an absence is planned for a special reason, a note or telephone call to the school in advance is appreciated. In cases of prolonged absence, e.g. a family trip, a written note is required.

Library Visits
Unfortunately, under the red setting guidelines we are unable to visit the Brooklyn Library. During this time if you would like your child to borrow extra books from the school library, please let us know. The children are allowed to change their books daily at lunchtimes all year round

Tots to Teens
Tots to Teens is now available on line, please click the link below to read their latest issue
https://issue2203.totstoteens.co.nz/

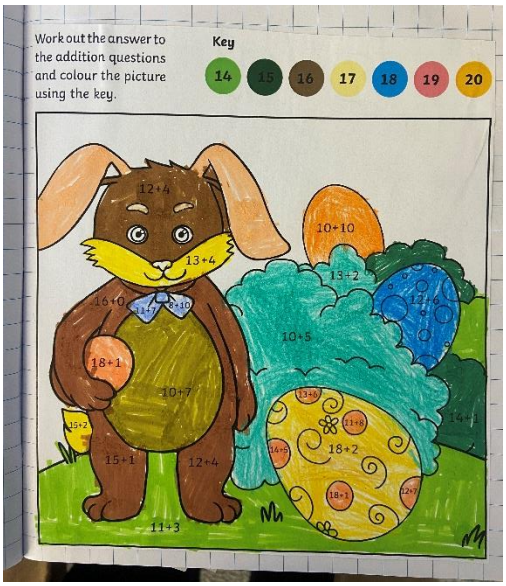
Happy Birthday to Logan & Sam who turn 12 this Saturday, and also to Saskia and Flynn who have birthdays during the school holidays. We hope you all have wonderful, fun filled birthdays.

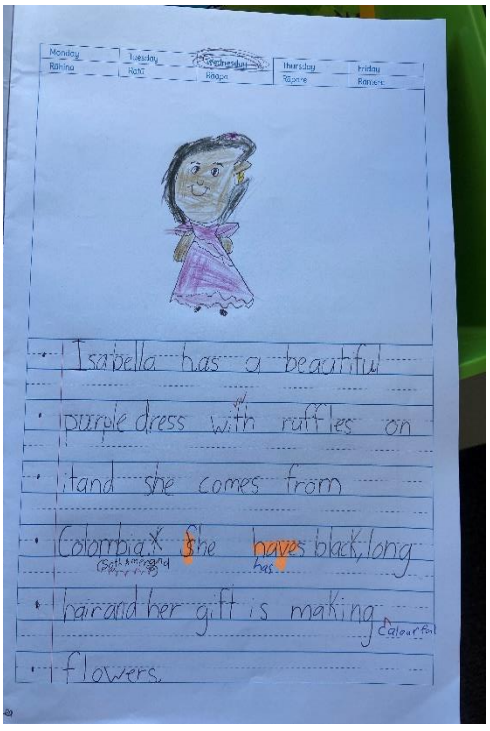
Class Programmes

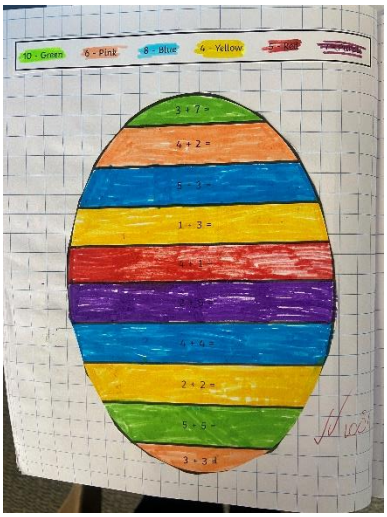
Room 1

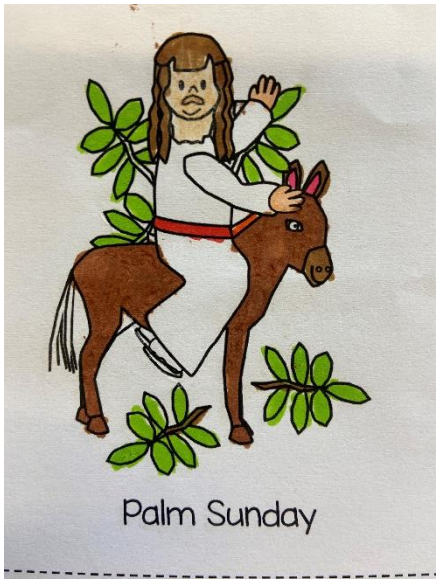
In room one, we have been busy learning about Holy Week and Easter time. We have begun making our own Holy Week books so we can retell them Easter Story.
We finished our work on 'The Sea Saw' last week and did some description writing about characters from the movie Encanto. We loved drawing and writing about them.
We have been learning about the digraphs sh, ch and th. We know that these letters together make new sounds.
In maths, we have continued work on addition and subtraction strategies and have enjoyed applying our learning to some fun Easter maths activities.
In Te Reo, we have been learning to count and have used songs and materials to help us learn the Maori words for numbers we know.

We are all excited for the Easter holidays and ready for a restful break.







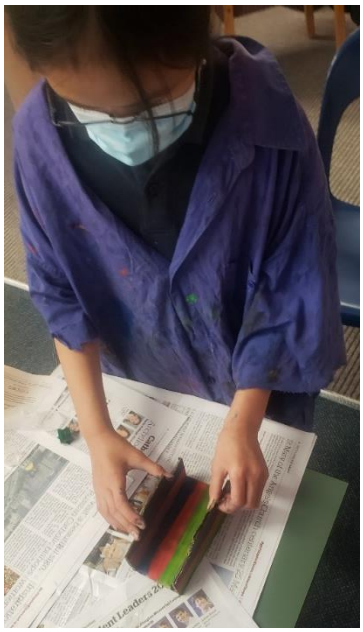


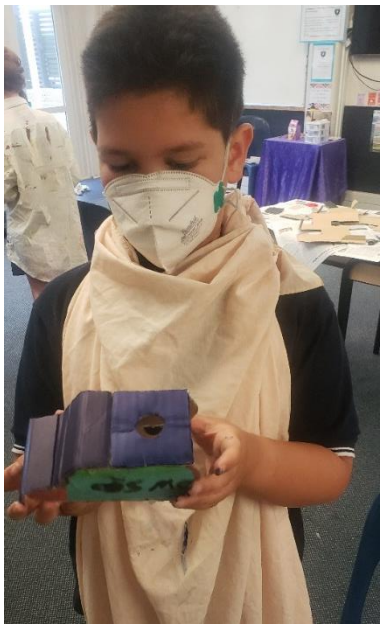
Room 2

Over the term we have read many books about New Zealand birds and they have predominantly featured in our term's science focus. Therefore, it seemed fitting that we end the term with the RNZB education lesson on the "Ugly Duckling". The RNZB dancers videoed their performance of a 30 minute rendition of the famous ballet then provided a follow up tutorial. Room 2 students were able to identify the different birds through their movements and costumes. The follow up was an opportunity for the students to experience being majestic swans through dance. I was very impressed with their focus and efforts.

Room 4

Final preparations for the children's car balloon designs were being worked on last Tuesday afternoon. Children were busy painting, gluing and fitting all the car parts together for the final test of their designs, which will happen this coming Tuesday. There are some very creative car designs and all that is needed now is to attach the wheels and balloon device. Hopefully, there will be lots of balloon powered cars zipping around the hall this tomorrow afternoon!





Public Notices

Brooklyn Community Easter Sunday Mass:
There will be Mass on Easter Sunday at St Bernard's school hall at 10.30am.
Covid settings
We are following the Covid-19 Protection Framework, and also Archdiocesan and School requirements. The Traffic Light system will be reviewed on 14 April however at Red and Orange (unless there are further changes) what this means for us on Easter Sunday is:
1. Mask wearing is still required inside the building.
2. You do not need to show your My Vaccine Pass.
3. QR Code Scanning is no longer required (but you can continue to scan for your own records).
4. Hand sanitising is still highly encouraged.
5. Physical Distancing is no longer required inside

We need volunteers for the following roles--please reply to me if you can help:
--Set up--anyone available turn up from 10am (no need to reply)
--Reader
--Eucharistic minister(s)
--Counting Koha
The Readings for Easter Sunday are at:
https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/041722.cfm

Ngā mihi
Deirdre
021 0798290

CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING, COACHING and TRAINING.
The summer athletics season is over and Track & Field has ended.
We are now starting cross country and the schools and inter-school events will be held next term.
Wellington Harrier Athletic Club are offering an introductory programme over the coming holidays to help children get a "feel" for the sport and see how they like it. (If they do, they are welcome to join the club and train and race with us)
There will be no charge for the introductory sessions, which will be held from 1.45 on Saturday 9 April, Saturday 16 April, Wednesday 20 April, Saturday 23 April and Wednesday 27 April.
The sessions are recommended for years 5, 6, 7 & 8, so come along and try our sport!
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WELLINGTON HARRIER ATHLETIC CLUB

We Meet at the Wellington Harrier Clubrooms on Alexandra Road Mount Victoria just before 2 pm.
For more information please contact:
Julie Richards
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Makara Beach Market
Located at the Makara Beach Café, come along and get some delicious food and drink, peruse the various treasures, enjoy the local walks and soak up the wild West Coast atmosphere!
Invite a friend or 2 and have a great day out at this fantastic community event.
#supportlocal
Our first market will be held on Sunday, 17 April 2022 and will run every third Sunday of each month after that.

Hockey
We at Wellington Hockey are excited to announce the return of our Fun Sticks programme for 2022! The Fun Sticks programme offers the children in years 1&2 (5&6 years old) a fun and engaging introduction to hockey. The 8-week programme will see a focus on the development of individuals foundational movement and motor skill development, building a young person's physical literacy and preparing them for sport.
The programme will begin the weekend of the weekend of the 7th of May (first week on term 2) and be offered across four HUBs in the Wellington region.
- National Hockey Stadium (NHS), Wellington = 10.00am - 11.00am - Saturday
- Hutt (Fraser Park) = 8.00am - 9.00am - Saturday
- Porirua (Elsdon Turf) = 3.45pm – 4.45pm - Tuesday
- Karori (Samuel Marsden School) = 4pm - 5pm - Tuesday

More information and registrations are available via the Wellington Hockey website and the link below.
https://www.wellingtonhockey.org.nz/post/2022-fun-sticks-registrations-now-open.

CAPITAL TROUT CENTRE - SCHOOL HOLIDAYS SPECIAL
The Centre will be open for bookings during the school holidays.
Ring Strato on 04 3863740 or email strato.cotsilinis@gmail.com to make a booking
Children must have a licence to fish for trout and free licences/tickets are available from Thursday 14th April 2022 at the following stores.: **Capital Fishing , 49 Ghuznee Street (off Cuba Mall) or *Hutt Valley Hunting & Fishing, 8 Te Puni Street, Petone***
The Centre is located behind the WCC Administration buildings on the way to the Wellington City Council Southern Landfill, on Landfill Road, Happy Valley, Wellington and is open to the public on specific days.
Children do not have to bring any gear as Club members will assist children to catch a trout on fly fishing tackle.
As the Centre is manned and maintained by volunteers we rely on donations to cover our expenses of purchasing the fish from the hatcheries, fish food and general maintenance.