



St Bernard's School Newsletter

07 February 2023

Term 1, Week 2

Upcoming Events

February

06 - Waitangi day

22 - Ash Wednesday

March

07 - Central Zone Cricket Yr 4-6

27 - 3 Way Conferences

28 - 3 Way Conferences

2023 Term Dates

Term 1 Thur 2 Feb Jul - Thur 6 Apr

Term 2 Wed 26 Apr - Thur 29 Jun

Term 3 Mon 17 Jul - Fri 22 Sept

Term 4 Mon 09 Oct - Tues 19 Dec

Teacher Only Days

Mon 24 April

Fri 30 June

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Principals Message

Welcome back for the start of 2023. It was so lovely to catch up with the children last week and feel the energy they have for a new year following a refresh over the summer.

We were in England for the whole of the break and I feel recharged after spending time with my family. I've had lots of hugs, eaten way too much, caught up with friends and done lots of fun activities. One of our favourite times was a weekend at a place called Centerparcs. We stayed in a cabin in the middle of Sherwood Forest. This video shows a very cheeky swan, one of the many birds and squirrels who came to be fed each day.

[cheeky swan](#)

Welcome

We welcome Ms Louise Parsons to Room 1. Louise is a very experienced junior teacher, and we think she is going to be a great addition to our teaching team.

College First Days

Here are some shots of last year's leavers on their first days at college. We wish them all the best as they start their new education journey.



New Additions



Over the summer, Te Kahuirere got another baby brother, Tutemahurangi (pictured to the left with nanny Ngawhini). Congratulations Te Atau and Shanon.

Jacob and Elijah also became big brothers to their sister Yuna. Congratulations Daniel and Joanne. (pictured on the right)



Congratulations

We send our congratulations to Miss Kriebbaum and her husband, Charles. Doesn't she look stunning!



School News

Sun Hats

Sun hats are a compulsory part of the school uniform for Terms 1 and 4. Please check that your child still has a school sunhat and if they do not, please ensure that the missing one is replaced promptly.



Stationery 2023

These were included with your children's reports at the end of last year. Copies are also available on the school website and on www.myschool.co.nz. (Stationery can also be ordered online at this site.)

A note from teachers: If your child still has room in their books from last year, we are happy for them to use the rest of the pages this year. Triangle pens and 9mm exercise books are available at the school office if you are having difficulties finding them.

No Peanuts or Peanut Products at School

A small reminder that we have children in our school who are allergic to peanuts. It is important that children do not bring foods to school that contain peanuts. This includes food bars that children are bringing to school, these need to be checked for peanut content.



School App

Please install the school app on your phone. This is a way to keep up to date with what is happening at the school and is how we book meeting times for parent teacher interviews.

To download our app: In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose St Bernard's School once installed.



2023 Sacramental Programme

Enrolments are now open for the next Sacramental programme. The programme is open to children who are baptised into the Catholic faith and have reached Year 4 or above. For an enrolment form please contact office@wellingtonsouthcatholic.org

Parish Newsletter

This week's Parish newsletter is available [here](#)

Class Programmes

Room 1

We welcome Ms Parsons to Room 1. The students are helping Ms Parsons settle into the new school year and working collaboratively with her to establish new classroom routines. Room 1 looks amazing; there is a relaxing cosy reading corner, a nature table, puzzles galore, and a separate writing table for budding authors.



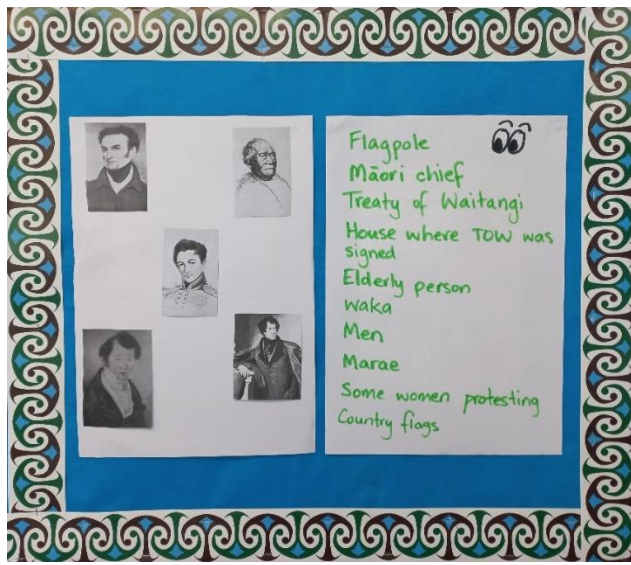
Room 2

Nau mai haere mai to the families who have joined Room 2. It's wonderful to be back in the classroom for another school year. We have six Year 5 students, seven Year 4 students, and eight Year 3 students. This year's class consists of 16 different cultural backgrounds and three groups of siblings. Having such a culturally rich class makeup, we have plenty to learn from each other.

Our first two days were spent getting to know each other better and beginning to establish classroom routines. We have been learning how to say good morning to each other in our own languages, and how to ask "How are you?" in the three national languages of New Zealand. Our tote tray labels reflect where the students think of when asked, "Nō hea koe?" (Where are you from?)



Included in our New Zealand Histories Curriculum is developing students' understanding of our first public holiday, Waitangi Day. We discussed the images below, establishing what we know, then thoughtfully considered what we want to know. This coming week we are going to learn more about te tiriti o Waitangi and why New Zealanders celebrate Waitangi Day.



Room 4

It has been great to welcome the children back into Room 4 for another year of fun, learning and laughter. We have a great mix of Year 7s, Year 8s and Year 6s! After a couple of days in Room 4 the Year 6 children have created some amazing superhero characters. They represent the strengths they have and their creativity. The next step for the Year 6s is to write about their superheroes. Watch this space for some Year 6 superhero writing snippets in the following weeks.



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TAKE YOUR CHILD TROUT FISHING

WHERE
CAPITAL TROUT CENTRE
(Landfill Road, Owairo Bay)

WHEN
Sunday, 19th February 2023

A fishing experience for children aged 2 to 11 years.
You must have a Capital Trout Centre licence/registration

FREE licences/registration forms are available now from
Capital Fishing, 49 Ghuznee Street (off Cuba Mall)
Hutt Valley Hunting & Fishing, 8 Te Puni Street, Petone

This is manned by volunteers from the Wellington Flyfishers Club and is funded by your donations

Your donation is appreciated

For further information, contact Strato Cotsilinis 386 3740

Come explore with us!

Snorkel at Kāpiti Marine Reserve

Mountains to Sea Wellington are hosting two very special community snorkels at Kāpiti Marine Reserve.

Join us for a day of unforgettable snorkelling in this pristine marine environment, with free time to explore Kāpiti's on-shore magic too.

February 25 & February 26
Tickets \$115 to \$130
Price includes return ferry, gear and snorkel tour
On sale now from Humanitix

Find out more on the MTSW Facebook page or website: mountaintoseawellington.org

Yes please, sign me up!

Harbour City Gymnastics

"Gymnastics is a great and fun activity for developing confidence, coordination, strength and agility. Harbour City Gymnastics, Hataitai Park, are currently taking in enrollments for term 1 and have spaces available in our Monday and Tuesday Ribbon Award 5-6 y/o class! We also offer fun, safe, and educational preschool classes for your younger ones ages 3+. Email our office office@hcg.org.nz for further information or to register"

Geckos Hockey Club invites you to play hockey in 2023

Come and play hockey with the Geckos Hockey Club

Wednesdays 4.00-5pm for yr5/6/7/8 At National Hockey Stadium Turf 3

Fridays 4-5pm for yr 1-4 at the Brooklyn Bowling Club astro turf at Tanera Park.

Give it a go, summer hockey in term 1 is free!

Just turn up on practice day and we take it from there. We provide sticks and balls.

More info about Wellington's best little hockey club:

<https://www.facebook.com/geckoshockeyclub/>

<https://geckoshockeyclub.weebly.com/>

ELECTRONICS WASTE RECYCLING DROP OFF DAY

Saturday 18 February 2023
9.00am – 2.00pm



ST CATHERINE'S COLLEGE
UPPER BOURKE ST
KILBIRNIE

WE ACCEPT THESE ITEMS:

Flat screen TVs/Monitors
Computers/Laptops/Tablets
Servers/Routers/Modems
Printers/scanners
Mice, Cables/Wiring
Cell phones/Water blasters
Gaming Consoles
DVD players
Cameras/Stereos/Projectors
Toasters/Electric jugs/Irons
Oil heaters
Microwaves/Dehumidifiers
Electric frypans/Deep fryers
Vacuum cleaners (with restrictions)
Leaf blowers/Weedeaters

CASH COST PER ITEM (Cash Only)

Small items	- \$2
Medium items	- \$5
Large items	- \$10
Printers/Scanners	- \$15
Flat Screen TVs	- \$25
Spectacles	- free

WE DO NOT ACCEPT

CRT TVs/Monitors
Speakers, Manuals, CDs
Whiteware, Keyboards,
Sewing machines,
Batteries, Ink cartridges,

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