



Te Kura o Heparā Pai

*Care Manaakitanga
Respect Whakaute
Honesty Pono*

Newsletter 20 15 November/ Whiringa-Ā-Rangi 2024

From the Principal

Kia ora e te whānau,

As we reach the midway point in our final term of the year we have had the opportunity to showcase our skills and participate in some exciting events.

Thank you to Matua Tainui and Whaea Liv who prepared our Kapa Haka group to present so well at the Irish Club Community Day Saturday 9 November.

Thank you to Peyton Evans who has coordinated our whole school athletics day. It was wonderful to see so many parents come down to support.

Finally our school choir has been training hard all year for their performance at the Anglican Cathedral in Parnell which took place on Wednesday night. Thank you to Fengmei Li who worked studiously to have the children prepared for this event.

These wonderful events couldn't not take place without the efforts and commitment from our dedicated staff and the tremendous support of our parent community.

With the second half of the term to come we are looking forward to more exciting events and opportunities to showcase our tamarikis' skills and talents!

Te Atua ki a koe / God bless,
Ben Fahey

Upcoming Dates

27 Nov	PTA Meeting
04 Dec	End of Year Mass
12 Dec	GSS Christmas Concert
13 Dec	Term 4 Ends - Last Day of School School finishes at 2pm
Whole School Prayers in Term Four:	
	Friday 2.45pm in church
	Week 5 - Rm 5
	Week 7 - Rm 4
Class Assemblies in Term Four:	
	Friday 2.15pm on the turf
	Week 6 - Rm 1

Please look carefully, as some of these dates have changed

Term Dates 2025

Term	Start	Finish
1	Tuesday 28 January	Friday 11 April
2	Monday 28 April	Friday 27 June
3	Monday 14 July	Friday 19 September
4	Monday 06 October	Friday 12 December

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Special Character

Good Shepherd Parish Mass times

We encourage all families to attend Mass together.
Sunday Mass **9.30am**.

Please Keep in Your Prayers....

We ask for God's blessing on all those members of our community who are suffering illness or loss in their families at this time. Please keep them in your prayers.

Sports

Athletics Day

Thank you so much for all your effort in organising such a magical day Ms Evans! Your hard work really paid off, everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves!



In and Around School IT'S YEARBOOK TIME AGAIN!!!



2024 has been a memorable year. Our yearbook will provide you with a permanent and colourful record of our students and their activities at school. All students are celebrated in this book, with pages dedicated to each class, and special recognition for our leavers. Yearbooks can soon be purchased on Kindo for a cost of \$25. There are a few leftover yearbooks from 2023, so if you are quick you will have the chance to purchase one for the bargain price of \$10!

Room 8

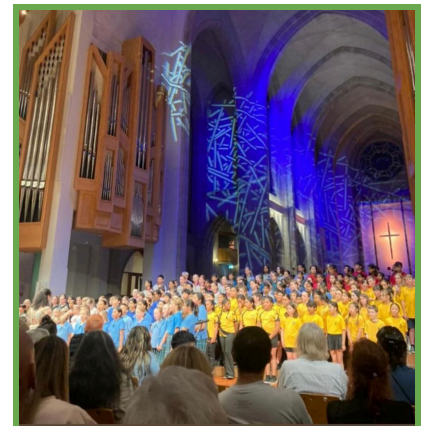
Room 8 has been exploring the vibrant world of artist Vincent van Gogh! Each student created a unique pastel flower, choosing either warm or cool colours to bring out different moods. We combined our flowers to make a beautiful vase that now brightens up our classroom wall. Come see our blooming masterpiece!



Room 8 led the assembly last Friday, and we'd like to thank all the parents who came to support us! We enjoyed singing "One Way Jesus", sharing our saint artwork, and hearing Rasheli's story. We have created so many wonderful pieces of art which we invite you to stop by and take a look at in room 8!

Choir

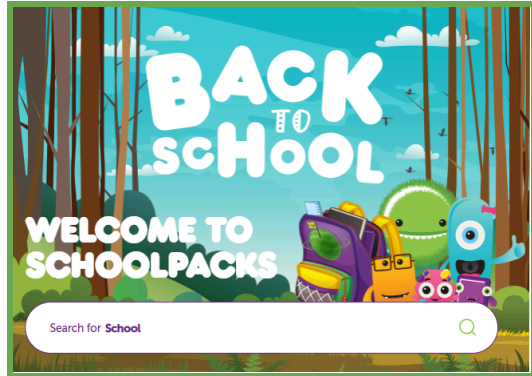
Ms Li and the choir represented us beautifully at Holy Trinity in Parnell. Everyone was in agreement as to how incredible the venue was and the lovely singing. Thank you to our families for supporting our children, to our children for all their hard work and especially to Ms Li for all her patience, skill and dedication.



Information for Whānau

GSS Moving to Qizzle Stationery Online!!

Stationery for 2025 will be available to order ONLINE from Monday 18 November 2024. There is a price increase and 2025 will have transitioned to online ordering. Further information will be sent out next week.



Attendance Dues

Attendance Dues set by the Auckland Catholic Diocese will be increasing to \$532 annually (\$133 per term) in 2025. Special Character contributions collected on behalf of the Catholic Diocese will remain the same at \$60 per year.

ATTENDANCE DUES

Providing for Catholic Schools in the Auckland Diocese

Attendance Dues are used to pay the building related costs at Catholic Schools in the Auckland Diocese. Paying Attendance Dues is a condition of enrolment for all students attending New Zealand Catholic Schools. Attendance Dues are compulsory. There is a legal requirement for parents and caregivers to pay Attendance Dues under the Education and Training Act 2020.

Year	PRIMARY	SECONDARY
per year incl GST	\$133	\$133
incl GST excl GST	\$126	\$126

For more information:
<http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/attendance-dues/>
 Phone: (09) 360 3040 Email: act@caed.org.nz

Catholic Special Character Contribution
 SUPPORTING CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN OUR SCHOOLS

The Catholic Special Character contribution is used to fund the staff and services provided by the Catholic Education Services Board who are responsible, on behalf of the Bishops, for safeguarding and strengthening the Catholic Special Character of our schools.

The contribution is \$15 per term per student or \$60 per student per year. The contribution is tax deductible and a 33% refund can be claimed from the IRD.

For more information:
www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/catholic-education-services/
 Phone: (09) 3603091 Email: cebs@caed.org.nz

GSS PTA NEWS



Moosie Magic!

We are trying to reduce waste at GSS, especially plastic waste! Very soon we will be trialling ice blocks which come in boxes without plastic wrappers. There are three flavours - **chocolate**, **tropical** and **feijoa**. The cost of the new ice blocks will be the same at **\$2**. Please help support us in our journey to become more sustainable.

Ice blocks are able to be ordered through Kindo and are set up for the term. You can also order ice blocks for as many weeks in advance as you like. Ice blocks orders close at 8.30am on the day of the orders. You can cancel an ice block order up until 8.30am on the day of delivery

Sushi, Pizzas

Sushi prices will increase this term, due to an increase in prices from our supplier. From this week, sushi will be sold at the following prices:

- Teriyaki Chicken on Rice \$ 8.50
- Salmon 4 pc \$6.50
- Salmon 6 pc \$8.00
- Salmon 8 pc \$9.50

- Vegetarian / Tuna / Chicken 4 pc \$6.00
- Vegetarian / Tuna / Chicken 4 pc \$7.50
- Vegetarian / Tuna / Chicken 4 pc \$9.00

Sushi/pizza will be available on the following dates this term:

- Friday 22nd November - Sushi
 - Friday 29th November - Sushi
 - Friday 6th December - Sushi
 - Wednesday 11th December - Pizza (Orders will close on Friday 6th December.
 - Friday 13th December - Sushi
- Orders are taken online via [Kindo](#). Sushi orders close at 8.30am on Friday mornings. Pizza orders close at

6pm, 5 days prior to the pizza day. Once orders are closed, it is not possible to add an order. Sushi orders can be cancelled up to 8.30am on the day of the delivery but pizza orders can only be cancelled up until the orders close.

Thank you very much to the volunteers that are helping out with sushi and pizzas this term.

Moosies are also able to be ordered through Kindo and have been set up on Kindo for all of the Moosie dates this term. You can also order Moosies for as many weeks in advance as you like. Moosie orders close at 8.30am on the day of the orders. You can cancel a Moosie order up until 8.30am on the day of delivery.

If you have ordered a Moosie from Kindo, please remind your child they MUST line up outside Room 2 at lunchtime, after they are released from sitting/eating time. Moosie monitors are not able to find children once lunch begins.



Christ the King Catholic School

Te Kura Katorika o te Karaiti te Kingi

Respect - Compassion - Service - Peace & Joy

TWILIGHT FAIR

FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER
5:30pm to 9pm

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!

- Food trucks •
- Games •
- Bouncy castles •
- Cake stall •
- Face paint •
- Raffles •
- and much more!

STARDOME OBSERVATORY
NEW ZEALAND CRICKET
AUCKLAND ZOO
BUTTERFLY creek