



# St Francis Catholic School

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**Catholic Special Character** – Congratulations to all the Sacramental Programme children, who completed the sacrament of Reconciliation this week.

Please keep our Catechists, 48 Candidates and their families in your prayers – Isla, Mary, Lucy, Lara, Reuben, Brennan, Vincent, Finn, Archer, Theo, Elijah, Theo, Mackenzie, Isla, Eden, Sienna, Lachlan, George, Aura, Ruby, Eli, Asger, Patrick, Lucette, Poppy, Sebastian, Reann, Agata, Edward, Marko, Van, Jack, Lochlan, Tobias, Aaron, Charlie, Brooks, Henricho, Cooper, Connie, Ayden, Alegra, Thomas, Clara, Luca, Anthea, Hugo & Ehana. Catechists: Fr John, Alicia & Annie Assisted by Kat & Renee.

## CELEBRATE DIVERSITY ROCK YOUR SOCKS

wear your most colourful, mismatched and unique socks to celebrate  
**WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY**  
**21 MARCH**  
#rockyoursocks #adsaargnz #wdsd26



### Upcoming Dress Ups - optional

- St Patrick's Day dress up – Tuesday the 17th of March. Children can come to school dressed in green/irish gear, in their uniform with a little bit of green, or just in their uniform.

No pressure! 🍀🍀🍀🍀🍀🍀🍀🍀



- Rock Your Socks Day – Friday 20 March (the actual day is a Saturday) – Children can come to school with colourful / crazy / mismatched socks to celebrate our friends with Downs Syndrome.

**Year 6 Beach Education at Muriwai Beach this morning.**



**The Friends of St Francis** – This is our PTA group, the group of parents and community members that run fundraisers and community events for our school. They are also involved in helping with pastoral care, 2nd hand uniforms and welcoming/supporting new families. In the past, this group had a leader, a budget and regular meetings, nowadays with pressures on parents working full time, this isn't a sustainable model. Instead members of the Friends of St Francis volunteer for one or two jobs throughout the year via the google doc below. Any one can join the Friends of St Francis, and any one can put their names down for a role. There is no pressure, but we would love your involvement.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1noNRKdBFWsDdjC8fDgKaNLzZD0yMQQBeRrGJAR23UcQ/edit?usp=sharing>

Please add your name to any volunteer roles that you would like to participate in. If you are interested in running an event or a fundraiser please add it to the google doc, and we will look into whether that will work for our community. We are open to your ideas!

### **Kids go free! – The Blues v Moana Pasifika – Sunday March 15th**

Join the Blues for Sunday afternoon footy at Eden Park where they take on Moana Pasifika. Kids go free and the first 1000 kids in will receive special prizes thanks to LEGO. Free kids tickets must be redeemed online here:

<https://blues.flicker.co.nz/events/c32e6ca1-10db-4432-b6a9-a648fc294773>

### **Mothers Day Breakfast – A message for the Year 5 and 6 Mums** – you are cordially invited to the

St Francis Mum's Mother's Day breakfast on Friday, 8 May –

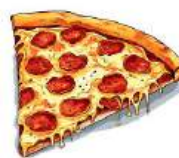
please mark in the diary. Stuart will need a few Dads to help out on the day to assemble the yummy bacon/egg muffins from 7:30am – please contact him directly on 027 818 2403.

We are very grateful to New World Point Chevalier for providing the food.



**Pizza Foodie Friday** – Friday 20 March – Kindo is now open for orders. Slices are \$2 per slice and order options are:

- Ham & Cheese
- Cheese
- Gluten Free Cheese
- Gluten Free / Vegan Cheese



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There is the option to also order a juice box for \$2.50, and to 'Donate a Slice' which is an additional donation towards the school fundraising.

Orders must be made and paid for using the 'My Kindo' App or My Kindo website, which you will need to register for and load each child individually – connected with their 2026 classroom. Then complete & pay for their orders. Please make sure your orders are in your children's name and not the parent/caregiver. If you have any questions for the March Foodie Friday (or if you'd like to get involved as parent helper) please contact Angela Franich 021 857 446. No late orders will be included.

**Mums Catch Up** - We can't be letting all the dad's have the fun so the mums are arranging →→→→→→→→→→→→→→→→

**St Francis Dads' Support Group aka Darts Night** - last Thursday of the month - The next stupendous darts session for 2026 is on Thursday, 26 March, from 8pm, at the Pt. Chev. Bowling Club. The more the merrier - all Dads are very Welcome - no darts experience is necessary given the majority of us are woeful. Contact Stuart on 027 818 2403 to join the Dad's WhatsApp group.

**Dad's Golf session** - If there is enough interest, the Dads new golf date/venue is 27 March at 4pm at Huapai Golf Course (1261 Coatesville Riverhead Highway - around 20mins from School), 9 holes Ambrose, \$43 Green Fees.

Please RSVP to Stuart on 027 818 2403 or advise via the Dad's WhatsApp Group so we can track numbers and in order for him to give the Golf Course a heads-up. The more the merrier.

**Community message** - From the Pt Chev Sports Clubs / Bowling Club - There was an amazing turn out to the community meeting last weekend. A few calls to action so far for our community:

- \* Join as a member (eg: of the Tennis Club, Bowls Club, Croquet Club and/or Community Garden) to show the numbers of people that are involved
- \* Go to the Givealittle page to make a donation towards the legal fees & share this link far & wide



ST FRANCIS  
MUMS DRINKS

FRIDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> MAY

7PM | MALT BAR | GREY LYNN

A great chance to meet some other school mums  
& have a fun, relaxed evening!

ALL WELCOME!



PIRATES

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MUSTER DAY

SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH

WALKER PARK

9:30-MIDDAY

COME DOWN FOR A SAUSAGE  
AND MEET NEW FRIENDS

PIRATES

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\* Possible activity to do at home with the kids – Put some (respectful) pressure on the Anglican Trust to discontinue their claim – write a letter saying why you love the Pt Chev clubs so much or do a drawing / paint a picture. It could simply say: “Please don’t try to take away our Tennis, Bowls and Croquet Clubs and our Community Garden, we love & need them.” These will be collected from the school.

### Extra Curricular Activities -

- Skills of Soccer with Billy Harris – Lunchtime Soccer lessons with former All White, Billy Harris – Text him on 0272799042 for info and prices.
- Term 1 After School Art Classes – We’re excited to kick off Term 1 from the 2nd Week of Term with our new theme: Abstracted. Inspired by abstract art, children will explore how artists use shape, colour, form and expressive mark-making to communicate ideas and feelings – without needing to create a “perfect” picture. It’s all about experimentation, confidence, and creative freedom. Our after school sessions are screen-free, hands-on, and designed to nurture creativity, problem-solving, and self-expression – while building confidence week by week. New to Creative Matters? We offer a single FREE trial class for new after-school students. Love it? Sign up for the term. To book a free trial: [admin@creativematters.co.nz](mailto:admin@creativematters.co.nz)  
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**ST. PATRICK'S WEEKEND FAMILY DAY**  
SATURDAY 14TH MARCH | 1 PM

**ANNUAL TOUCH RUGBY GAME**  
PACIFIC BARBARIANS V OUR IRISH EMBASSY

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**ST. PATRICK'S WEEKEND PARADE DAY**  
SUNDAY 15TH MARCH | 1 PM

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OUTSIDE: SAM COMERY  
INSIDE: SEAN KELLY & BAND

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**ST. PATRICK'S DAY**  
TUESDAY 17TH MARCH  
MASS 10.30AM | Open 12.00 PM

**LIVE MUSIC WITH**  
•MICHAEL VIZE  
•THE LODGERS  
•GERRY O'NEIL

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**Dates for 2026:** (a couple of Teacher Only Days sometime in Term 3 and 4)

- Term 1 - Tuesday 3 February - Thursday 2 April. Public Holidays - Good Friday: Friday 3 April.
- Term 2 - Monday 20 April - Friday 3 July. Public Holiday - ANZAC Day: Monday 27 April, King's Birthday: Monday 1 June.
- Term 3 - Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September.
- Term 4 - Monday 12 October - Wednesday 16 December. Public Holiday - Labour Day: Monday 26 October.

**Coming up this term -**

Friday 13 March - Assembly 2.15pm

Tuesday 17 March - St Patrick's Day dress up (optional)

Wednesday 18 March - Room 3 visiting the Pt Chev library

Thursday 19 March - St Patrick and St Joseph Liturgy

Friday 20 March - Foodie Friday (Pizza lunch), Rock your Socks Day

Tuesday 24 March - BOT meeting 6.30pm

Wednesday 25 March - Room 6 visiting the Pt Chev library

Thursday 26 March - Year 5/6 Inner City Softball comp

Friday 27 March - Assembly 2.15pm

Sunday 29 March - Palm Sunday

Monday 30 March - Thursday 2 April - Holy Week Celebrations

Wednesday 1 April - Room 11 visiting the Pt Chev library

Thursday 2 April - Holy Thursday, Last day of Term 1

Friday 3 April - Good Friday

**Coming up next term -**

Monday 20 April - First day of Term 2

Wednesday 22 April - Easter Mass 12.00pm

Friday 24 April - Easter Walking School Bus (dress up)

Monday 27 April - ANZAC weekend - School closed

Thursday 7 May - Year 5/6 Inner City Swimming comp

Friday 8 May - Year 5/6 Mother's Day Breakfast, Assembly 2.15pm

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**Venue** - School hall is comforting venue for the children  
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