



St Francis Catholic School

We are a vibrant & empowering Catholic school, creating **pathways of excellence** for our tamariki.



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The Jesus Meal - The Junior School recently stepped back in time to experience the stories of Te Rongopai (The Good News) firsthand through a special "Jesus Meal." As part of our Religious Education unit, our hall was transformed into a scene from the Holy Land, filled with students dressed in authentic biblical-style tunics and robes. Together, we shared a traditional morning tea consisting only of foods common in Jesus' time, including flatbreads, honey, dried fruits, and grapes. This immersive experience allowed our tamariki to move beyond the pages of the Bible and truly feel the spirit of hospitality and community that defined the "Good News." It was a wonderful morning of fellowship that brought our learning to life in the most delicious and meaningful way!



Baptism -

Congratulations to Luna (Room 9) and her mum and brother who were all baptised at Our Lady of Perpetual Help last Saturday.



Congratulations to Hayley (Room 11) and her brother who were recently baptised by Father John at St Francis Church.



Please contact the parish office if you are interested in baptising your child (particularly important if you are planning to send your child to Catholic College!!) Phone - (09)8467612, Email stfrancis-ptchev@xtra.co.nz

Parish News- Callout to the Musical Youth - Please get in touch with Stuart if your musical angel is keen to perform at Mass during Collection as we are always after a wee bit of musical fun. Also, please reach out if they would like to give playing music during Mass a go as Chris, Jo and Annie are always looking for new recruits - full guidance will be provided.

Friends of St Francis (PTA group) -

A huge thank you to Donna and her crew of helpers, who organised and ran the Friends of St Francis cafe at the school Cross Country. Another \$1095 towards our canopy loan repayments! Donna has run the Cross Country cafe for years, but with her youngest child heading off to College soon we will be looking for someone to take over. Please let us know if you are interested.



Also, for those people who regret not ordering a fundraising tea towel, there are a limited number available at the school office for purchase for \$25.00 each. Be in quick before they are all gone!



Pentecost Mass - To celebrate Pentecost, students are invited to wear their cultural dress or school uniform for our Parish Mass next Friday, May 22nd, starting at 9:15 am; we warmly welcome all families and parishioners to join us for this celebration.

Year 5 and 6 Mother's Day Breakfast -



Huge thank you to Nicole and the team at New World Pt Chev for the delicious hot breakfast treats provided for Mother's Day. Your generosity made the morning truly special and was a wonderful way to celebrate the mums in our community!



Mothers Day Breakfast - Micah Room 8 - On Friday 8th May from 7:30am to 8:30 am, Room 8 turned into a warm, cosy, and beautiful cafe for the people who do all the work (The Mums). Instead of mums rushing around getting people to school, St. Francis senior mums were driving to school to have breakfast with the people they love.

When our mums got here with us, we led them to have some warm, tasty coffee or tea at the garden-to-table room. Then we walked them to Room 8. When I got there, I introduced my mum, Fleur, to my teacher, Mr Wright. Next, I showed her our table at the fancy Montrose Diner. It looked incredible: Violins, Bottles of Wine (Not to Drink!) and fancy wine glasses.

After the other mums from our table arrived and were seated, we asked "What would you like to order?" When they had ordered, we got our amazing mums the treatment they desired. Their stomachs were full of the delicious bacon and egg muffins, crunchy granola, yoghurt, and fruit, all provided by our generous neighbours, New World Pt Chevalier. They had a chat with some other mums, ones they knew and ones they had just met.

After they had had their hearty breakfast, Mr Wright gave a speech. He talked about how the amazing kids had organised the whole thing on their own. He also told us that we should make Mother's Day every day by helping out more in and out of the house. At 8:30 am, the mums started to empty out. I gave my mum a hug and said goodbye.

Mother's Day breakfast was an amazing success and so much fun. All the mums got a good start to the day, and it was good to see them smiling and laughing. I can't wait for Father's Day breakfast this year!

Cross Country Day





Congratulations to the Cross Country winners:

- 5 year old boys – 1st Sunia Kaufusi Halalova, 2nd Oliver Waite, 3rd Rio Rudez
- 5 year old girls – 1st Chloe Gorrige, 2nd Zariah Aumua, 3rd Zoe Coll
- 6 year old boys – 1st Harley Baird, 2nd La’vonn Nunez, 3rd Jacob Goodwin
- 6 year old girls – 1st Lucie Courian, 2nd Nell Francis, 3rd Edie Burns
- 7 year old boys – 1st Angelo Uhlmann, 2nd Jack Archibald, 3rd Max Treloar
- 7 year old girls – 1st Milana Aumua, 2nd Isla Tilley, 3rd Luch Hanly
- 8 year old boys – 1st George Franich, 2nd AJ Tu’va, 3rd Eli Hills
- 8 year old girls – 1st Lily Daysh, 2nd Emily Joyce, 3rd Mackenzie Dymond
- 9 year old boys – 1st Thomas James Scotter, 2nd Eddie Marshall, 3rd Austen Morris, 4th Asger Jones, 5th Cooper Pedersen, 6th Marko Martin, 7th Tobias Ng Lam
- 9 year old girls – Eliana Zhou, 2nd Eva Parsons, 3rd Eden Fellows, 4th Lucette Kitchen, 5th Clara Thieme, 6th Stevie Coburn, 7th Alegria Rudez, 8th Poppy Lenehan
- 10 year old boys – 1st Micah Fullerton, 2nd Jackson McGregor, 3rd Miles Paget, 4th George Dallimore, 5th Leonardo King, 6th Finn Rigby, 7th Taavi Karkkainen, 8th Ryder Caine
- 10 year old girls – 1st Emily Miln-Harris, 2nd Veida Cranfield, 3rd Florentina Kitchen, 4th Mia Jansen, 5th Georgia Reid, 6th Stella Halpin, 7th Elspeth Joyce



Inner City Swimming

Competition Results –

- Eddie Marshall – 1st in the 9 year old boys 25m freestyle, 1st in the 9 year old boys backstroke
- Stella Halpin – 1st in the 10 year old girls 25m breaststroke, 3rd in the 10 year old girls 50m freestyle, 3rd in the 10 year old girls 25m freestyle
- Emily Miln-Harris – 2nd in the 10 year old girls 25m freestyle



- Raystan Huhane - 3rd in the 10 year old boys 25m breaststroke
- Eddie Donald - 2nd in the 10 year old boys 25m backstroke, 3rd in the 10 year old boys 25m freestyle
- St Francis team - 3rd in the School Relay

Health and Safety - If you are going to tie your dog up to the fence (please continue doing this, as most of our children love patting the dogs) while you go into school, please make sure it is not near the front gate. Some of our children/parents don't like having to walk closely to even the friendliest dogs. At least a few meters away from the front gate should be fine!



HUGE THANKS TO AQUALINE AND RYAN (SIA & EVIE'S DAD) FOR SPONSORING OUR WINNER CITY SCHOOLS SWIMMERS WITH RACE GOGGLES AND CAPS EACH YEAR.

ST FRANCIS FRIENDS & FAMILY OFFER USE CODE STRFRANCS FOR FREE SHIPPING ON YOUR NEXT AQUALINE SWIM GEAR PURCHASE.



St. Francis Dads' Support Group aka Darts Night - The next stupendous darts session is on Thursday, 28 May, 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 Indoor Golf session - The 3 wisemen (as in Dan, Siti and Stuart), being the last ones standing at midnight at darts last week decided in all their misguided but infinite wisdom, to hold a Dad's indoor golf simulator session at Grey Lynn's Green Pinnacle. Tee-off will be at 6pm on Friday, 10 July, which just so happens to be the same night as the Warriors play (as in beat) the West Tigers - so it will be back to the Pt Chev Bowla to watch that. Everyone's welcome - just register your interest with Stuart on the Dad's WhatsApp Group so we can confirm numbers and book the venue well in advance. We already have 10 shambolic Dads signed-up.



Congratulations - To Harrison and Austen (Room 10) who competed in the NZ Grappler Summer Nationals competition (Boys Gi White belt -27kg division). The boys both did an excellent job with Austen placing 3rd and Harrison coming 4th.

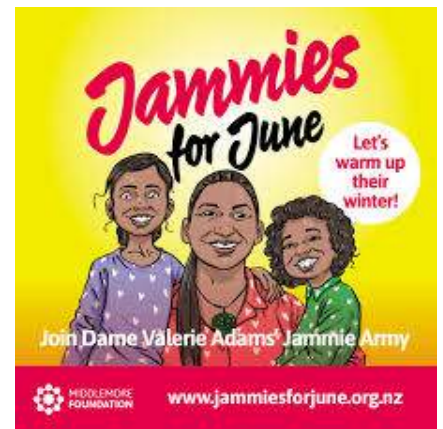


This term our charitable efforts are going towards '**Jammies for June**' - providing (winter) Pyjamas for less fortunate children, particularly children in Middlemore Hospital .

<https://www.jammiesforjune.org.nz/>

If possible, please purchase a new set of children's pyjamas and put them in the Jammies for June box in the school office.

We will finish the term with a St Francis Pyjamas Day on Friday the 3rd of July - the last day of Term 2.



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.
- Music lessons right at school - Personalised lessons designed to support your child's confidence, focus, and learning - with no extra travel for families. Enrol here: <https://musiceducation.co.nz/pages/mis-enrolment>

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

- Term 2 - Monday 20 April - Friday 3 July. Public Holiday - 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:

Wednesday 20 May - Pacifica Talanoa in Whanau Room

Thursday 21 May - Inner City Cross Country Comp

Friday 22 May - Pentecost Mass

Sunday 24 May - Pentecost, First Holy Communion Mass
@ 11.00am in the Church

Tuesday 26 May - 6.30pm BOT meeting

Friday 29 May - 2.15pm Assembly

Monday 1 June - King's birthday weekend

Monday 8 June - School Photo Day

Tuesday 9 June - Community Constable visiting, Y5/6
Proclaiming the Word Comp

Monday 15 June - Liturgy leaders @ Selwyn Village

Friday 19 June - Welcome Assembly 2.15pm, Feast of the
Sacred Heart

Sunday 21 June - Welcome Mass @ 9.00am

Tuesday 23 June - 6.30pm BOT meeting

Friday 26 June - Matariki Disco 5pm - 7pm

Mid Year Reportings, sent home via the school
app

Wednesday 1 July - Thursday 2 July - Parent
Teacher Interviews. Booking details coming
soon

Friday 3 July - Pyjama Day, Last day of Term 2

Lisa Bateman - Principal -

lisab@stfrancis.school.nz or

principal@stfrancis.school.nz



Come join our after school drama
classes held at St Francis every
Thursday 3.30pm-4.30pm

Tutor-Nicole Whippy
Tinā, Shortland Street, Rehu Tai
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Children safety - Onsite care with qualified staff
Venue - School hall is comforting venue for the children
WINZ OSCAR Subsidy Available

Fun - Interactive and stimulating activities, including afternoon tea and homework assistance

Sports - Kids keep fit playing soccer, rugby, cricket, basketball, badminton, and other sport activities.

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