



St Francis Catholic School

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



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Parish News - Baptism - Please contact the Parish Office directly for registration. Phone (09) 8467612 or email stfrancis-ptchev@xtra.co.nz A preparation class is mandatory for baptism. Classes are held on the 1st Saturday of every month 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

Sacramental Programme - **Confirmation**: Lessons are the 2nd, 9th and 16th of August. The Mass is on the 23rd of August. Please keep our candidates, their families and Catechists in your prayers.

MATARIKI DISCO

FRIDAY JUNE 26TH, 2026

5PM - 7PM

ST. FRANCIS SCHOOL HALL

TICKETS AVAILABLE VIA KINDO

\$5 PER CHILD

\$10 FOR 2+ CHILDREN

**BRING YOUR BEST DANCE MOVES,
DRESS IN WHITE &
SHINE LIKE THE STARS OF MATARIKI**

MATARIKI DISCO

AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE
on the night

 CHIPS, LOLLIES & DRINKS \$2	 GLOW ITEMS <i>from \$1</i>
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EVERY CHILD WILL RECEIVE A FREE GOODIE BAG!

DISCO DOLLARS
REQUIRED FOR ALL PURCHASES.

Disco Dollars can be pre-purchased via KINDO.	or purchased on the night by BANK TRANSFER.
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NO CASH SALES.

Cultural Week Planning Meeting – We are getting ready to plan our upcoming Cultural Week to celebrate the amazing diversity in our school! We are holding an initial meeting to form a small committee to help co-ordinate the cultural groups and the food for our main performance day on Friday 18th September, When: Wednesday 17th June, 3:15 PM, Where: Whānau Room.

Note: If you can't make the committee but still want to help out later (like bringing a dish or running a workshop), don't worry! We will be asking for that kind of support early in Term 3. More details to follow. Hope to see you there!

Feedback from a relieving teacher – *“I wanted to commend all the staff on how settled and well-mannered the children are at St Francis. For the Te Reo class I taught, there were a range of classes and year groups, but not one child had any behavior issues. They were happy to come for the lesson and did their best with the learning. Hat's off to the teachers, for setting this up for them. Now that I have been relieving in other schools, I see such a marked difference at St Francis, where the children are happy, kind and love learning.”*


The Meal train – If you would like to support our school community, please consider joining the St Francis Meal Train Group. At different moments in life – welcoming a new baby, facing illness, grieving a loss, managing work travel, or going through family changes – even small acts of kindness can mean so much. Providing a simple meal can ease the pressure on a family and remind them they are not alone.

How it works:

- We use a free website (mealtrain.com) to organise meals.
- When a family needs support, a link is emailed to the group.
- You can choose a date that suits you and note what meal or baking you'd like to provide.
- Home-cooked, store-bought, fresh, or frozen meals are all gratefully received.
- Details such as dietary needs and drop-off information are included.
- Families can remain completely confidential.

There is no pressure to help every time – you can contribute whenever it suits you. If you need support, please contact Lisa Bateman directly. Our St Francis community is here to help you and your children during challenging times. If you would like to join the group or have any questions, please contact Donna Harris (parent of Emily Miln-Harris, Year 6) donnae.harris123@gmail.com





NATIONAL YOUTH THEATRE
production of
Disney THE LITTLE MERMAID

Starring Your Saint Francis Primary School Students

Felicity Pedersen
Milana Aumua
Alice Williams
Ruby-Leigh Lotima
Zoe Hamilton

Tickets from \$35.00* Ticketmaster
*Booking & Credit Card fees additional

26 - 28 June
Kiri Te Kanawa Theatre
Aotearoa Centre



JUNIOR TOUGH GUY AND GAL CHALLENGE
EXTREME OFF ROAD RUNNING EVENT

Calling all adventurous **St Francis kids!**
Come tackle the mud, obstacles and fun at the **Junior Tough Guy & Gal Challenge** in Kumeu on **Monday 10th August**.
Open to Year 3 children and above.

For more information and the school entry link, contact Annalies at annalies.donald@meshconsulting.co.nz

All children must have a parent / caregiver to transport them & supervise for the event in its entirety.

ARE YOU TOUGH ENOUGH?

Final Call for tough guy & gal challenge – Event Entries Close to Selling Out!!!

Mid Year Reporting to Parents

Achievement and Progress Reports will be sent home via school app on Friday 26 June

Recent mandated changes to reports:

Including attendance percentages and formal assessment scores (such as 20 and 40 week Phonics Checks, Year 3-6 Progressive Achievement Tests – PAT testing scores etc)

Keeping up with recent changes in education e.g. Reporting to parents, curriculum change:

<https://www.education.govt.nz/parents-and-caregivers/schools-year-0-13/parent-portal>

Parent Interviews

When:

Wednesday 1 July 3.30pm – 6.30pm and Thursday 2 July 3.30pm – 6.30pm
(Room 8 – Monday 20 July 3.30 – 6.30 pm and Tuesday 21 July 3:30 – 5.00pm)
(Room 4 – No interviews, check in with new teachers instead: Mrs Vuksich/Mrs Courian)

How to book:

Via the school app – click on the 'Interview' icon

Parent-Teacher Interviews: Getting the Whole Story!

When we ask our kids how school is going, we usually only get their version of events, which can involve playground drama or a simple "I don't remember"! It's completely natural for children to view school in a certain way, but to get the full, accurate picture of their learning, behavior, and progress, the teacher is your best source of truth. To help you bridge that gap and build a strong partnership with your child's teacher, here are some great questions to ask at your upcoming interview:

- My child tells me they 'just play' or that they find a certain subject 'boring'—what does their actual daily engagement and focus look like from your perspective?
- Sometimes kids come home upset about incidents at the playground. How do you see them interacting with their peers during class and break times? Are they managing friendships well?
- Based on your assessments and daily observations, where is my child truly at with their Reading, Writing, and Maths, and what are their actual next steps?"
- If my child comes home with a worry or a complaint about school, what is the best way for me to check in with you directly so we can get the full story and sort it out together?

Pizza Foodie Friday - This Friday - Orders close tonight at 8.00pm.

Slices are \$2 each and order options are:

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



There is also the option to order a juice box for \$2.50, and to 'Donate a Slice' which is an additional donation towards the school fundraising. Pizzas will be delivered to school on Friday just before lunchtime and orders will be handed out in Junior / Middle / Senior school groups by our parent helpers and Year 6 students. 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. Please make sure your orders are in your children's name and not the parent/caregiver. If you have any questions for the June Foodie Friday (or if you'd like to get involved as parent helper) please contact Angela Franich 021 857 446.



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.

Working hard in the Senior School -



Extra Curricular Activities -

- 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>
- Skills of Soccer with Billy Harris - Lunchtime Soccer lessons with former All White, Billy Harris - Text him on 0272799042 for info and prices.

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

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

Friday 19 June - Welcome Assembly 2.15pm, led by Room 8 and Room 10

Sunday 21 June - Welcome Mass @ 9.00am

Tuesday 23 June - 6.30pm BOT meeting

Friday 26 June - Matariki Disco 5pm - 7pm, Mid Year Reports sent home via the school app



Kids Indoor Bowls
(5yrs to 16 yrs)

Mondays 4:30pm-6pm

Kelly: 022 5384 708

Get Competition ready!

Wednesday 1 July - Thursday 2 July - Parent Teacher Interviews.

Friday 3 July - Pyjama Day and St Francis Has Talent Final at 9.15am - All Welcome! Last day of Term 2

Coming up next term:

Monday 20 July - First day of Term 3

Wednesday 22 July - ASB Get Wise Financial Literacy lessons begin

Thursday 23 July - Year 4 Swimming

Wednesday 29 July - St Mary's College band performance

Thursday 30 July - Year 4 Swimming

Thursday 6 August - InnerCity Rugby comp, Year 4 Swimming

Friday 7 August - St Mary MacKillop liturgy

Thursday 13 August - Year 4 Swimming

Friday 14 August - The Feast of the Assumption liturgy

Tuesday 18 August - Auckland Proclaiming the Word comp - Good luck Dominic!

Thursday 20 August - InnerCity Speech finals, Year 4 Swimming

Friday 21 August - Foodie Friday

Sunday 23 August - Confirmation Mass

Tuesday 25 August - 6.30pm BOT meeting

Thursday 27 August - InnerCity Netball comp, Art Exhibition in the hall, Year 4 Swimming

Friday 28 August - Grandparents Day

Thursday 3 September - Year 4 Swimming

Friday 4 September - Year 5 and 6 Father's Day Breakfast

Monday 7 September - Year 1 and 2 Stepping Out Week, with NZ Police

Thursday 10 September - InnerCity Football comp, Year 4 Swimming

Monday 14 September - Cultural Week

Thursday 17 September - Year 4 Swimming

Friday 18 September - Cultural Day

Monday 21 September - St Francis Week

Thursday 24 September - Year 4 Swimming

Friday 25 September - Foodie Friday, Last day of Term 3, Enviro Mass

Piano & Guitar Lessons
RIGHT AT SCHOOL!
Why not give it a go this term?
Help your child boost essential learning skills that make a real difference in the classroom.
All with zero extra travel for families.
Scan the QR code to enrol!
0800 89 39 39
Or call us!
Learning music supports all areas of learning through developing:
Confidence & Creativity, Concentration & Memory, Discipline & Focus, and so much more!
musiceducation.co.nz

St Francis School garden to table room Mondays 2026
After-school Art FREE TRIALS* Starts week 2 ages 6+
Creative Matters
AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMME STARTS WEEK 2 EACH TERM
Creative Art WORKSHOPS
For young artists and creatives aged 6-13 years old
Each term, your child embarks on a guided creative journey designed to strengthen not just their artistic skills, but their sense of self and confidence.
*After School, Free Trials
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Lisa Bateman (Principal) & Olivia Neary (Deputy Principal) - lisab@stfrancis.school.nz & olivian@stfrancis.school.nz

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After school care
3.00 - 6.00pm Mon to Fri
Holiday programme
8.00am - 6.00pm Mon to Fri
For all enquiries contact:

Jackie Arroyo
M 021 975 642

MSD Approved

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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ST FRANCIS SCHOOL
Ages 6-13
3-5 p.m. Mondays
STARTS WEEK 2 OF EVERY TERM
3pm supervised afternoon tea
3.30pm art starts

Creative Matters

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WORKSHOPS
AFTER-SCHOOL

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