

St Anne's Catholic School

WOOLSTON

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THOUGHTS

On Friday 75 children performed in the Cultural Festival at Horncastle Arena. The performance covered Maori and Samoan song and dance as well as Haka and Catholic Himene.

Mrs Parker, assisted by Mr McInnes are to be congratulation on all their preparation work. The joy and delight on the faces of all the participating children says much about the cultural diversity at St Anne's school. We as a whole school attended this performance. Organisers told us we were the best behaved school at the festival. Please watch our performance on YouTube—*Christchurch Cultural Festival St Anne's Catholic School.*

Keeping Ourselves Safe (KOS) Health Unit is being taught over the next three weeks. The Key Concepts are:

- Teach children a range of safe practices that they can use when interacting with other people;
- Encourage children who have been, or are being abused to seek help;
- Contribute to an overall community prevention programme by making parents and teachers more aware of their responsibilities to help children avoid abuse.

The Programmes are:

Years 0-3 Knowing What To Do.Years 4-6 Getting HelpYear 7/8 DARE—drugs education programme.

If you would like further information please contact your child's teacher.

Jayne Pender is very ill and our thoughts and prayers are with Jayne, Phil, Rosie and Charlotte.

Kind regards Peter Callanan (Principal)

Mission Fair 2014

<u>Raffle Tickets</u> go out this week to be sold to the community by our senior students. Junior class students will have the opportunity to buy raffle tickets from their teachers.

<u>Please donate</u> any toys, books, games etc. Items may be dropped off in Room 5 from now on.

MISSION FAIR MUFTI this Friday for the MYSTERY PARCEL STALL-

students are asked to bring a mystery parcel item which can be in a box/can/packet, bottle etc.....

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(x being Class Room number)

COMING EVENTS

September

- 12 Catholic Winter Tournament Intro to Cricket Rms 1 & 2 Assembly Rm4 Mission Fair Mufti Day #1
- 19 Assembly Rm 6 Speeches Mission Fair Mufti Day #2
- 24 MISSION FAIR
- 25 JNS assembly
- 26 Last Day of Term 3

Term 4 starts

Monday 13 October

REMINDERS:

2015 Term Dates

Term 1	Tues 3 Feb	-	Thur 2 April
Term 2	Mon 20 April	-	Fri 3 July
Term 3	Mon 20 July	-	Fri 25 Sept
Term 4	Mon 12 Oct	-	Wed 16 Dec

Readings for Sunday 14 September

Reading 1—Numbers 21:4-9Reading 2—Philippians 2:6-11Gospel—Matt 18:21-25

Chapter 18 focuses on the church, this particular reading on forgiveness.

Peter asks Jesus how he should forgive those who sin against him...and Jesus replies not seven times but seventy seven times. And then goes on to tell the story of the king taking pity on the servant who owed him money, and freeing him of the debt.

Reflection and Action

Pray for all church leaders, especially our own Bishop. Pray that in these tough times he will be guided by the Holy Spirit. Pray for Pope Francis in family prayer too. Thank God for the way he encourages us all to show compassion and forgiveness for others.

Faith Facts

from Evangelii Gaudium, The Joy of the Gospel Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis

You are encouraged to read and discuss them with family and friends. Evangelii Gaudium can be found at: <u>http://www.vatican.va/evangelii-</u> gaudium/en/index.html

We must never forget that the planet belongs to all mankind; the mere fact that some people are born in places with fewer resources or less development does not justify the fact that they are living with less dignity. It must be reiterated that "the more fortunate should renounce some of their rights so as to place their goods at the service of others". (EG 190)

Basketball 2014

Well done to both teams, Year 7/8 team finished 5th and the year 4/5/6 team won their competition with exciting 16-14 win in the final.

A massive thanks to Naps and Suz for their overall management and coaching and to all the other parents who helped with coaching and support.

