



# St Anne's Catholic School

WOOLSTON

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## THOUGHTS

*"Forgiveness is letting go of the past."*

This quote from where I forget, is such an important part of living a happy life. The outlook and approach to life needs to be taught and modelled from an early age. Children need to be shown how to do this and there are steps to follow as simply as ABC:-

A—Talk about how you feel.

B—Say a prayer about what's going on.

C—Move on!

Sounds easier said than done however from my own experience I can say that with practice this process does help.

If you look at the main conflicts we have, many of them are based on being unable to find peace within. These words from an old hymn come to mind—*"Let there be Peace on earth and let it begin with me."*

As many of you will know Mrs Marian Jones (Rm 2) has been on sick leave following surgery. Mrs Jones is to resume teaching on Monday 3 November for two weeks. Following this she will undergo radiotherapy and chemotherapy for her recently diagnosed cancer. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

From Monday 17 November Mrs Grant will return as relieving Room 2 class teacher for the remainder of the school year.

Kind regards

*Peter Callanan* (Principal)

## COMING EVENTS

### OCTOBER

- 29 Chch Schools Music Festival Performance
- 31 Assembly & Mass Rm 4

### NOVEMBER

- 7 Assembly & Mass Rms 1 & 2  
Disco 6-8.00pm Mission Centre
- 11 Zone Athletics
- 13 A & P Show Rms 1 & 2
- 14 SHOW DAY holiday
- 21 School Athletics 11am-12.30pm
- 23 Parish & School Mass
- 28 JNS Assembly  
Assembly & Mass Rm 6

### DECEMBER

- 3 Canty Athletics Champs
- 5 Mr C's farewell
- 8 Yr 8 leavers Dinner
- 11 Rm 4 & 5 class trip  
Yr 8 Retreat
- 12 School Picnic
- 15 Prize Giving Mass
- 16 Rm 1 & 2 Christmas Concert 2pm
- 17 School Finishes following final assembly 11-12noon

# DRESS UP DISCO

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November  
St Anne's Mission Hall

**5.30 – 8.00pm**

**Entry: Gold Coin Donation**

**Lollies and Glow Sticks 50c**

Spot Prizes proudly sponsored by  
'NATURES DISCOVERIES'

**Music – DJ Bobby Tables**

Singing, Dancing, Games

Fancy Dress Prizes



**Dress up and have a fun night!**

## Sunday 26 October

**Matt 22:34-40**

Last Sunday's Gospel reading is about the greatest and the first commandment. When one of the Pharisees asked Jesus, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?'

Jesus said, ' You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment.

### REFLECTION/ACTION.

In reflecting on this passage from Matthew's gospel, in the sentence about loving God, there is a very strong statement about how we are to love God, which can be overlooked. "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind".

In Psalm 22 these well-known words make a great act of faith:

"He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness  
no evil will I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff;  
with these you give me comfort."

Making an act of faith in this way nourishes the seeking soul, stabilizes a heart in danger of being swamped by negative emotions, and occupies a doubting mind. It integrates all these aspects of our human nature. It is a complete response to the first great commandment.

## *Faith Facts*

Pope Francis invites us all to share the joy of God's gift of the Gospel to others. The quotes this term will be from the beginning pages of Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis – **Evangelii Gaudium, the Joy of the Gospel**

A reminder that the entire document can be found at - <http://vatican.va/evangelii-gaudium/en/index.html>

I invite Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them; I ask all of you to do this unfailing each day. No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her, since "no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord". The Lord does not disappoint those who take this risk; **whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that he is already there, waiting for us with open**

### MISSION FAIR FUNDS

We sent a cheque for \$815 to three organisations last Friday. They were The Holy Childhood Society, CARTAS and The Mission Sisters.

Thank you once again for your generous support of the fair last term.

## Reconciliation— Thursday 30 October

The children from the senior school will be going to Confession in the Mission Centre tomorrow. They will be prepared by their teachers.

Thanks to Fr Dan and Fr Kevin Burns for the opportunity.



*Junior Neighbourhood Support*

*Canterbury*



The year is fast coming to its end so we must acknowledge our students who prove to be good neighbours acting in ways that would most definitely make Jesus happy. Please nominate any child who deserves an award for being an outstanding citizen at school, home or in your community. Forms are available from the school office or Mrs Reddy.



# **Linwood Ave Union Church**

**Cnr Linwood Ave & Wilford St**

**Invites you to**

**FREE!**



**Put on your bling for our**

**All Saints Disco**

**Friday 31st October**

**5.30 to 7pm**

**5-12 year olds**

**No Halloween Costumes**

**Dancing / Food / Games / Prizes**

**Come along and join in the fun**

**FREE!**

