

St Anne's Catholic School

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I hope those of you who made it to the PLP conferences enjoyed seeing what your child has been up to in class. There is another chance for this on Friday with the 'Science Slam.' While there is no assembly this week, from 9-9.30am you are welcome to look through the classrooms at some of the science that the classes have been working on. The focus has been on 'The Nature of Science'. Attached below are level one and two of the nature of science so you get an idea of the learning. The topics/concepts will be different between classes depending on students' interests.

Students will:

Understanding about science

 Appreciate that scientists ask questions about our world that lead to investigations and that open-mindedness is important because there may be more than one explanation.

Investigating in science

 Extend their experiences and personal explanations of the natural world through exploration, play, asking questions, and discussing simple models.

Communicating in science

• Build their language and develop their understandings of the many ways the natural world can be represented.

Participating and contributing

 Explore and act on issues and questions that link their science learning to their daily living.

If you are unable to make it, teachers will have photos on class blogs and some on Facebook. You are always welcome to pop into classrooms at 3pm if your child wants to celebrate some of their work with you.

Last week, I challenged students to answer how 'I am' and 'bread of life' from Sunday's reading was linked to Moses. Charlotte L. was the first to give me the correct answer which was "I am" was what God called himself when speaking to Moses through the burning bush, and the "bread of life" was like the manna from heaven that the Israelites were able to eat to keep them going. Jesus shows us he is the eternal life giving bread.

Thank you to all of you who have supported the uniform push last week, especially shoes. We were lucky enough to receive a grant from The Blogg Charitable Trust to help some students to get some new school shoes. We have a little bit left so if you need a hand financially to get some new shoes, please let me know.

Room Two ran a beautiful prayer service on Friday and were confident readers and singers at the Friday Mass. Well done Room Two and Mrs Jones for your efforts.

Remember to like our Facebook page!

God Bless

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COMING EVENTS

AUGUST

- 14 Science Slam 9-9.30am
- 15 The Assumption
- 18 & 20 PLP interviews Room 5
- 20 Catholic Tournament Rms 5 & 6
- 20—24 LIFE Education Programme
- 21 Rm 4 Assembly 9am Mass 12noon
- 28 Rm 1 Assembly 9am Mass 12noon

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Mission Fair Mufti Day –mystery prize
- 3 Cultural Festival Performance
- 4 Rm 5 Assembly 9am Mass 12noon
- 6 Fathers Day
- 7-11 Social Justice Week
 - 8 Jump Rope for Heart Day
 - 9 Mission Fair Mufti Day –class raffle
- 11 Rm 6 Assembly 9am Mass 12noon Winning speeches at assembly
- 14-18 Book Week
- 16 'Have a Go Day' Bamford Sch Yr 5/6
- 23 MISSION FAIR
- 25 Term 3 Finishes 3pm

Don't Forget

It is essential that we are able to contact parents/caregivers or have your approval for an alternative contact for times of emergency or illness.

If you have moved house or changed phone numbers during the year please check that the school office has your updated details.



Samantha, Jamal and Laverton

Special Character

Faith Facts

August 14 – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: This day celebrates the mystery that the Virgin Mary was taken into heaven body and soul. This was declared a doctrine of faith by Pope Pius XII in 1950. Laudato Si'

What does the encyclical contain? Including a brief introduction, the document comprises six chapters:

- 1. What Is Happening to Our Common Home
- 2. The Gospel of Creation
- 3. The Human Roots of the Ecological Crisis
- 4. Integral Ecology

5. Lines of Approach and Action Ecological Education and Spirituality The document concludes with two prayers, one that can be said by all who believe in God as the all-powerful Creator and one that is meant to be said specifically by Christians.

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL: John 6: 51-58

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing among themselves, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' Jesus replied to them: In all truth I tell you, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise that person up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in that person. As the living Father sent me and I draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will also draw life from me. This is the bread which has come down from heaven; it is not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.

<u>Rm 5 Personalised Learning Plan (PLP)</u> Interviews

These will be held Tuesday and Thursday next week after Mrs Reddy returns from holiday. An interview timetable will be sent home on Friday.

If you have not already requested a time please do so by phoning the office or calling in before 9am on Friday morning.



Science Spectacular

St Anne's students are exploring and experimenting with science this term.

Please come along on Friday 14th August from 9am-9:30am to visit and see some of the science that has been happening in each room. Pie Day Friday

starts this week





Choice of pies :

- Mince
- Mince 4 Cheese
- steak
- Cottage (potato topped mince)

Place your order in Room 3 before school on Friday (8.30-9am only)

There will be no Drinks or Cookies available this term.

Subway will still be available each week on <u>Wednesday</u> instead of Friday.



Dear Parent/Guardian

St Anne's is participating in the Heart Foundation's Jump Rope For Heart programme and we would love your support!

Jump Rope For Heart is an exciting physical activity programme which encourages children to become more active through skipping, learning new skills and raising vital funds for heart research.

Skipping is an excellent way for children to keep fit and healthy. Over the next few weeks, your child/children will be learning a range of fun skipping skills as well as the many other lifelong skills that the Jump Rope For Heart programme endorses; communication, team work, timing, trust, leadership skills, numeracy and the importance of regular physical activity and healthy eating for a healthy lifestyle.

Skipping is not limited to the school playground; it is an activity that can be enjoyed at home so we encourage your child to practice and maybe you could give it a go too! (If you would like to purchase a rope you can do so on the Heart Foundation's website <u>www.heartfoundation.org.nz</u>).

At the end of the Jump Rope For Heart programme we will be holding a special 'Jump Rope for Heart day', event to celebrate and showcase the children's' skipping skills. This will be held on **Tuesday 8th September 11:30am-12:30pm.** Please come along and support.

Jump Rope For Heart is also a great way to encourage children to get involved with the community and support New Zealand's leading heart health charity, the Heart Foundation. The Jump Rope team provides us with lots of resources and support to implement the programme and in return we ask that students help by seeking sponsorship for their involvement.

Sponsorship is easy - your child will be bringing home a sponsorship booklet today. All that's required is the sponsor's name – you, other family members and family friends - and the amount the child is being sponsored for completing their skipping training and participating on the day. There is no pressure to give a fortune just 50c or a dollar from a few people in your family would be great.

When your child/children have completed the Jump Rope For Heart Day please send all money raised (cash or cheque) in the envelope provided to your child.

Thank you for joining us in the fight against heart disease.

Yours sincerely,

Ryan McInnes- Jump Rope For Heart School Coordinator