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NEWSLETTER

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Wānanga o ngā tūmuaki Waitaha

On Monday and Tuesday I attended the Canterbury Primary Principals conference. I am quick to judge courses and conferences as I don't like spending money for very little. This conference gave some really good research and ideas to take back to school and to consider the impact it may have. Whilst I don't believe in 'throwing the baby out with the bathwater,' I do believe in continual improvement.

Here's a snippet that you might use in your discussions at home. This comes from GRIT which we are already trying to implement which has a 'never give up' and 'optimistic' attitude to hard things. We know from data it is one of the biggest determiners to whether someone will be successful.

Discuss things like this (remember you are a role model);
 Child's perspective

We want— I can learn whatever I like

We don't want—I'm either good at it or not (parents often say I was never good at maths or similar. Please delete this from your vocab and try I found Maths hard but I persisted, learnt from my mistakes and never gave up)

We want—When I'm frustrated, I preserve

We don't want—When I'm frustrated, I give up

We want—I like to challenge myself

We don't want—I don't like to be challenged

We want—When I fail, I learn from it

We don't want—When I fail, I'm no good

We want—I like being told I try hard and give it everything

We don't want—I like to be told I am smart

We want—If my class mates succeed, I am inspired

We don't want—If my class mates succeed, I feel threatened/jealous

We want—My ATTITUDE and EFFORT determine everything

We don't want—My ABILITY determines everything

Remember you are a role model to this attitude. You may find yourself saying some of the 'fixed' mindset words at times. Promote and use these around the dinner table or in the car on the way home. What did you never give up on today? When did you have a good attitude towards your learning today? Did you fail in anything today? What did you learn from it? Any good challenges in class today?

Along with your newsletter today you have received a 'Vote For Me' postcard supplied by the NZEI. Like you, we want the government to put more funding into education and by filling out and posting this FREEpost card you will be joining other parents in getting this message across to the government.

God Bless
Dallas Wichman
 Principal

COMING EVENTS

The most up to date calendar is the St Anne's Parent Calendar on our website or via Google Calendars

August

25 Powhiri & New to School Meeting 9-11am

30 Rm 3 Mass 9.15am

September

6 Rm 4 Mass 9.15am

11-16 Social Justice Week

Maori Language Week

12 PFA Meeting 7pm

13 Rm 5 Mass 9.15am

15 Charlesworth Reserve Rms1-3

16 Rm 4 Mass 6pm

19-21 Koru Games Yr 7&8

20 Rm 2 Mass 9.15am

BOT meeting 6-7pm

23 Mass Rm 5 6pm

27 Mass Rm 1 9.15am

October

2-13 School Holidays

Special Character

ST ANNE'S ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 26 Aug

Christian L

Joshua F

Sun 27 Sun

Kristyl J

Raphael D



THE COAT OF ARMS OF POPE FRANCIS - "MISERANDO ATQUE ELIGENDO"

Pope Francis has a great devotion to Mary and Jesus' foster father, Joseph. You can see his devotion to Joseph depicted in his Coat of Arms.

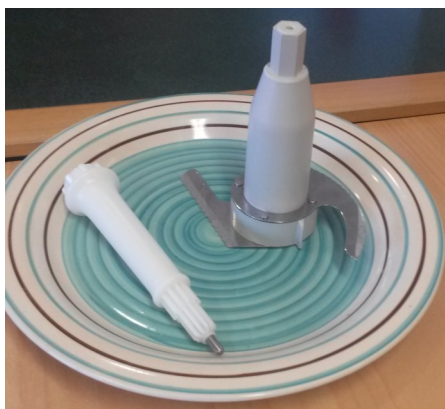
THE SHIELD—Pope Francis has decided to keep his previous coat of arms, chosen at the time of his episcopal consecration and marked by linear simplicity. The blue shield is surmounted by the symbols of papal dignity, the same as those used by his Predecessor Benedict XVI (the mitre above crossed keys of gold and silver, bound by the red cord). At the top of the shield is the emblem of Pope's religious order, the Society of Jesus: a radiant sun carrying the letters in red, ihs, the monogram of Jesus. The letter 'h' is crowned by a cross; beneath the letters are three black nails.

Lower down on the shield there is a star and spikenard flower. The star, according to ancient armorial tradition, symbolizes the Virgin Mary, the Mother of Christ and the Church; while the spikenard symbolizes St Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church. In traditional Hispanic iconography, St Joseph is shown with a vine in his hand. By bearing these images on his shield, the Pope communicates his special devotion to the Most Holy Virgin and to St Joseph.

THE MOTTO—The motto of Pope Francis is taken from a passage from the venerable Bede, *Homily 21* (CCL 122, 149-151), on the Feast of Matthew, which reads: *Vidit ergo Jesus publicanum, et quia miserando atque eligendo vidit, ait illi, 'Sequere me'*. [Jesus therefore sees the tax collector, and since he sees by having mercy and by choosing, he says to him, 'follow me'.]

This homily is a tribute to Divine Mercy and is read during the Liturgy of the Hours on the Feast of St Matthew. This has particular significance in the life and spirituality of the Pope. In fact, on the Feast of St Matthew in 1953, the young Jorge Bergoglio experienced, at the age of 17, in a very special way, the loving presence of God in his life. Following confession, he felt his heart touched and he sensed the descent of the Mercy of God, who with a gaze of tender love, called him to religious life, following the example of St Ignatius of Loyola. Once he had been ordained a Bishop, H.E. Mons. Bergoglio, in memory of this event that signified the beginning of his total consecration to God in His Church, chose, as his motto and as his programme of life, the words of St Bede: *miserando atque eligendo*. This he has chosen to keep in his papal coat of arms.

Are you missing any of the items in the photo?



Food processor parts or a dinner plate. If so, can you collect them from the school office by the end of the week please. They will be disposed of after this week.



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