

St Anne's Catholic School

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THOUGHTS

Young children seem to be able to sort out a phony. They have the freshness to be honest and straight without being offensive but sometimes they get it wrong. Last Thursday at the Technology Expo, which was well supported by you, thank you, I was looking at a robot and was asking questions when a student made the comment "Did young not listen the first time Mr C" This statement was not rude, it was honestly felt. I certainly listened with intent and purpose from then on.

On another level one of the main parts of my job is to manage conflict successfully by

- Establishing the rules; Α.
- Get all parties to agree to settle the issue by talking it through; and
- C. Agree to a solution.

You see often a process (ABC) can sort out an issue quite easily. Last Wednesday a delegation of students arrived in my office. "You never listen to me, not once!" said the upset student. As clear as a bell out came 9 situations I could recall helping with. "Oh, I had forgotten those." replied the student. We smiled!

Kind regards

Peter Callanan (Principal)

COMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 3 Canty Athletics Champs
- 4 Mufti Day
- 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 2.15pm
- 17 School Finishes following final assembly 11-12noon

2015 Term Dates (Amended)

Term 1 Mon 2 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

Mufti Day

This Thursday, 4 December.

Again, each class is asked to bring an item for a Christmas Hamper Raffle. Tickets are still for sale and more tickets are available at the office. Tickets and money need to be returned to the school office a.s.a.p. The raffle will be drawn at the school picnic on Friday 12 December.

Thanks for your support.

Parents & Friends Assn

- **Rm 1** Cans/Jars of food or Xmas Rm 4 Novelty or Xmas Item **Item**
- Rm 2 Laundry, Bathroom or Xmas Rm 5 Cans/Bottled Drink or Xmas Item **Item**

Rm 6 Biscuits, Snacks or Xmas Item

Altar Servers

Sat 29 Nov 6.00pm

- 1. Ethan Stott
- 2. Zana Solodi

Sun 30 Nov 10.30am

- 1. Marie Leala
- 2. Immaculate Leala
- 3. Christian Leala

Sunday 30 November

GOSPEL READING - Mark 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come......And what I say to all: Stay awake!"

REFLECTION AND ACTION-WEEK 8

When we are looking forward to some event, a birthday for instance, how do we feel as the time draws nearer? Does our behaviour change at this time of waiting and preparing? How do we behave that is different to 'normal'?

Does anyone know exactly when Jesus will return to us? We know that Jesus will return at the end of time, but only God knows exactly when that will be.

What did Jesus tell us to do? To keep ourselves ready for the time when he will come again. How can we do this? Just as we prepare our homes and put them in order for a visitor, so we can prepare our hearts and put our lives in order for Jesus.

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/evangeliigaudium/en/index.html

The Gospel joy which enlivens the community of disciples is a missionary joy...This joy is a sign that the Gospel has been proclaimed and is bearing fruit. (EG 21)

JUNIOR NEIGBOUROOD SUPPORT

Andréa Haberfield was at school assembly last Friday for the final JNS assembly. Congratulations to the following recipients of the awards - Finn Mounty(Leader), Jamal Cherry, Lilly Parker and Samantha Osborne.



This year was the last year to have the guidance of Andrea who is moving on to educate other schools in Christchurch would like to thank her for her commitment and help throughout the past few years for all the work she has done at St Anne's and wish her all the very best. We can assure her that we will try our best to be kind to everyone in our school and community. I would also like to thank Finn Mounty and Railynnetta Ilalio for their excellent leadership as JNS leaders for the whole school.