



# *St Anne's Catholic School*

WOOLSTON

## **NEWSLETTER NO. 30** **18 November 2015**

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Talofa Lava

I have heard a lot about the Samoan Choir, so it was great to finally hear them on Sunday at Mass. For anyone that hasn't heard them, they are the third Sunday each month at the 10.30am Mass.

On Monday, ERO (Education Review Office) arrived at school. We held a Mihi Whakataua in the hall for them. I was particularly impressed with our senior students who were involved in the speeches and in the welcoming process. Laverton spoke on behalf of the Pasifika families and Ethan gave a traditional Maori speech. These boys took this opportunity and embraced it, well done to them.

**Crossing**—Please take care at the crossing outside of school. If crossing between 3pm and 3.15pm, please use the road patrol students to cross and wait if they are still setting up. The safety of our students is paramount, please reinforce this message at home.

**Quiz night**— Last push! It's on Friday, please come along and enjoy the fun. See details on the back of the newsletter.

**Reconciliation**— On Wednesday, those who have received first Holy Communion will have the opportunity to participate in the sacrament of reconciliation. Traditionally this sacrament is offered before Christmas and Easter. Please talk to your child about what they might want to bring up at this opportunity. Teachers will also go through it.

**Uniform**— You may have heard that our uniform supplier, Bambi Drapery has gone into liquidation. We are in discussion with another supplier and hope to have details for you in the newsletter and on our Facebook page next week. You will be able to place orders at the school office as well as directly from the new supplier. In the meantime please do not buy culottes from another source as they will not be the correct fabric. Thanks for your patience.

**Preparation for next year**— We are in the planning stages for next year. We will give you warning about classes etc, before the end of the year. If you know of any families wanting to enrol let us know so we can keep an eye on numbers in each class. We have a few non-preference (non-Catholic) places available so if you know anyone interested in a Christian education but aren't Catholic let them know. Once they are filled, they are filled and a waitlist begins.

God Bless You all.

**Dallas Wichman**—Principal

## COMING EVENTS

- 16-18 ERO visit
- 18 Reconciliation for students
- 20 Quiz Night 7pm
- 22 Feast of Christ the King
- 25 School Athletics Day  
BOT meeting 7pm staffroom
- 29 1st Sunday of Advent
- 30 Road patrol Training Yr 6  
Scholastic Book orders close.

## DECEMBER

- 2 Canty Athletic Champs
- 8 Yr 8 Retreat
- 10 Rm 4 & 5 Trip
- 11 School Picnic 12.00—2.30pm
- 14 Rm 1/2 Christmas Concert  
2.15pm
- 15 Graduation Mass 6.30pm
- 16 EOY Liturgy/R4 and  
Final Assembly 11—12.05  
School finishes for 2015

## Confirmed

### 2016 School Term Dates

Term 1	Tues 2 Feb	-	Fri 15 April
Term 2	Mon 2 May	-	Fri 8 July
Term 3	Mon 25 July	-	Fri 23 Sept
Term 4	Mon 10 Oct	-	Fri 17 Dec

# Special Character

Dear Parents

We are fast approaching the season of Advent. The students will be participating in lessons about Advent targeted at their year level. In preparation for Christmas our senior students went to Confession this morning thanks to Father Dan. Next week I shall be writing about how we can prepare for Christ's birth and how important His second coming is to all of us.

Have a pleasant week and may God bless you all.

**Grace Reddy (DRS)**

**SUNDAY 22 NOVEMBER - CHRIST THE KING, SOLEMNITY**

Next Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church's year the Solemnity of Christ the King. As the year draws to an end, we turn our thoughts to the time when Christ will return as King.



**NOVEMBER – THE MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE**

There is a wall of Remembrance set up in our school foyer. Each class has been praying for special people who have died. We have been praying for the innocent victims of the terrorist attacks in France at the weekend.



**Eternal Rest Grant to them O Lord  
And may perpetual light shine upon them  
May they rest in peace. Amen**

**34<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME-YEAR B**

**Gospel - John 18:33-37**

In the Gospel, Pilate, as prefect or governor of the Roman province of Judea, holds power. His reputation as insensitive to Jewish religious practices was expressed often as brutal force to repress dissent against Roman rule. He struggles to come to grips with the reality of what Jesus presents him with in an attempt to trap him into an admission of guilt – "Are you a king? ... What have you done? ... So you are a King?"

The crime Jesus was tried and executed for was sedition – the claim that he was the 'King of the Jews' was a direct threat to the Emperor. Crucifixion was a Roman punishment not a Jewish one.

**Reflection / Discussion / Action**

In our reflection today we might consider what are some of the conflicts between the values of the society we live in today and values of the kingdom of Jesus?

In a world in which few 'kings' remain, how can Christ the King be given meaning today?

In what ways has Jesus become 'king' of your life?

Today's feast marks the end of the liturgical year. What has been important to you this year? Have you noticed change and progress in your faith journey? How are you progressing in your own search for truth?

# School Athletics Day

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November

All parents and friends are welcome to come along to watch the action.

11am: Sprints: Juniors and Seniors racing in ages.

11.20 am: Senior field events 20 mins each.  
Junior athletic activities.

12:40pm : Finish (Stay for lunch if you wish)



**SCHOLASTIC**  
**Book Club**

**Book orders close 30 November.**

**Please return your orders and correct money to the office by then.**

**Remember you can order through Scholastic LOOP directly online and it will be delivered to school. See the brochure for details.**

## M\*A\*S\*H WOOLSTON SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

**The best fun your kids can have!**

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*DECEMBER: 18<sup>th</sup> December – 24<sup>th</sup> December 2015*

*JANUARY: 5<sup>th</sup> January – 29<sup>th</sup> January 2016*

Located at the Bamford School Library

8:30am-3pm \$30, 8:30am-6pm \$40, early drop off 8.00-8:30am \$5. Trip fees extra but not more than \$10 per trip. **WINZ subsidy is available.**

To view the programme activities or to enrol please visit our website [www.mashkids.co.nz](http://www.mashkids.co.nz), email us at [enrol@mashkids.co.nz](mailto:enrol@mashkids.co.nz) or call us on [0800 420 520](tel:0800420520) any time.

**We look forward to seeing you and your children .**

## The New Zealand Cadet forces

No.18 Squadron, a member of The New Zealand Cadet Forces is currently recruiting for year 8 & 9 boys and girls to join our unit. We parade on a Tuesday evening at the Wigram Airbase. We are part of the oldest youth organisation in New Zealand and provide training in flying, shooting, bushcraft and provide a perfect opportunity for youth to experience what life would be like in the New Zealand Defence Force. More information can be found at [18sqn.cadetforces.org.nz](http://18sqn.cadetforces.org.nz) or [facebook.com/18sqn](https://facebook.com/18sqn).

# St Annes Parents & Friends



# QUIZ NIGHT



**Where?** St Annes School Hall

**When?** Friday 20th November 2015  
@ 7pm



**Come along and test your knowledge!!**  
(Or lack of it??)

**Cost?** \$10.00 per person  
Teams of 4-6 people



Register your team at the School Office

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BYO Drinks & Nibbles - R18 Event

**A fun evening out, come along  
and support our Fundraiser**

**Raffles - Prizes - 100% Fun**

**Quizmaster Extraordinaire - Dallas Wichman**