

# St Anne's Catholic School

WOOLSTON

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Halo oloketa

Welcome to spring! It is so nice to get a bit more sunlight each day.

I have been doing a lot of consultation and analysis of the results to see what is going really well in our school and what we can do better. I (along with Margret Coleman who started the consultation) have surveyed all staff, all students and the family community. I thank you all for your ideas and thoughts and of course, I welcome any further feedback you may have. Although I cannot say I will action all things suggested, I have heard and have taken time to read every single point from everyone and have shared them with those who may be able to help in the area. Unfortunately, the ever popular 'hydro slide' idea won't be happening in the near future. Feel free to bug the council for that one.

One shining factor is the huge response stating the atmosphere of the school is so positive and friendly. There was a phenomenal amount of responses in regards to students and staff being friendly and caring people. Generally, the negatives were around presentation of some of the school and general signage. We are addressing some of these issues at present including scheduling a tidy up of Rooms 5 and 6 this year. The main purpose of these consultations is for planning 2016 and beyond.

Thank you to those who make it in to school. I love seeing parents and caregivers dropping their children off and coming into the classrooms. Please do pop in if you have the time, feel free to read your child a book in class or get them to show off some of their work. Continue the atmosphere of care and love we try to provide.

Facebook—Please get family and friends to go to our page and click 'like' to receive school posts on their newsfeed page.

They will then see the great things that are happening at the school.

If you have any skills that may be of assistance to the school at some stage, please let me know. Thank you to those parents who have done this already. It is great to use and support our community first before going beyond.

Remember 1-10, from the Bible. Help your child to figure out an answer for each number eg: 1—One God, 10—commandments. Get 8 more or as many as you can and put your answer in the green letterbox in the office.

God Bless

Dallas Wichman (Principal)

### COMING EVENTS

#### SEPTEMBER

- **3 Cultural Festival Performance**
- Scholastic Book orders due back
- 4 Rm 5 Assembly 9am Mass 12noon
- 6 Fathers Day
- 7–11 Social Justice Week
  - 8 Jump Rope for Heart Day
  - 9 Mufti Day -class Mission Fair 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

Kapahaka group perform at the Cultural Festival, Horncastle Arena, tomorrow.

Scholastic Book orders close Thurs 3 Sept.

Applications to receive Confirmation are due back by Monday 11 September.

Comment on our school policies online at http://stannes.schooldocs.co.nz

Log on using the community username **stannes** and password **teach**.

Read through the policy up for review and comment in the online feedback section; or

email your comments to:

principal@stannes.co.nz .



### recent assembly awards

## श्राष्ट्रीयां कर्याकर्य १९८

Rm 1	Zshavana	For working so hard with her sight words.	
	Henry	For trying so hard to become a great reader and writer.	
Rm 2	Letisha	For being focused and determined in mastering PMP skills.	
	Joejerry	For making great progress in building his reading skills.	
Rm 4	Levi	For his positive attitude towards achieving his goals.	
	Charlotte	For focusing on being organised and managing her time.	
Rm 5	Brayden	For being a kind, courteous and helpful class member.	
	Chloe	For her excellent commitment to learn and recall her times tables.	
Rm 6	Kian	Social skills: Learning the importance of speaking gently to others.	
	Jeremy	Social awareness: For superb art skills.	
Austin, Max and Oscar		For their amazing effort in presenting their thoughts on the school.	
Roan Sullivan		or winning the 'symbol' competition	

Samantha	Rm6	4 <sup>th</sup>
Sawyer	Rm2	13 <sup>th</sup>
Jamal	Rm6	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Charlie	Rm5	29 <sup>th</sup>
Letone	Rm6	30 <sup>th</sup>



# STELLA MARIS PARISH CONFIRMATION - 2015 PREPARATION PROGRAMME

To be celebrated by Bishop Barry Jones on Sunday, 11 October at 2.00 pm at St Anne's Church, Woolston

Now open to Year 7 students wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year.

Application forms require parental approval and must be returned by Monday 11 September 2015

# Special Character

### Faith Facts

September 30 - St Gregory the Great: St. Gregory was born in Rome about the year 540 and became one of the seven deacons of Rome. He acquired a thorough education, and became Chief Magistrate of Rome at thirty-four years of age. He built six monasteries and founded a seventh in his own house in Rome, which became the Benedictine Monastery of St. Andrew. Here, he himself assumed the monastic habit in 575, at the age of thirty-five. St. Gregory was chosen Pope by the unanimous consent of priests and people. He is known above all for his magnificent contributions to the Liturgy of the Mass and Office. He is one of the four great Doctors of the Latin Church. He died March 12, 604. He is the patron of teachers.

#### Laudato Si'

Many in the media have been talking about what the encyclical has to say on global warming. How prominent a theme is this? While global warming is one of the themes in the document, the document goes into much more than that. As the list of topics covered in chapter one indicates global warming or "climate change" is just part of the first of five major sections dealing with ecological problems that the pontiff sees. Of the 40,500 words in the official English translation of the document, the word warming occurs nine times and the phrase climate change occurs twelve times. Have a read if you get a chance.



donations. We managed to raise \$130 which has been sent to the Cancer Society. Please continue to keep those affected by this disease in your prayers including the doctors, nurses and scientists who continue to work hard to manage this terrible disease.

# Room 5 Assembly Friday 4 September- Fathers' Day

To acknowledge the contribution of fathers to individual families and to society at large. Father's Day also provides an opportunity to express love and respect for all fathers. Happy Fathers' Day.

### Young Vinnies Activity-Term 3

A letter went out on Monday with all the Young Vinnies asking them to take part in a daffodil picking activity this coming Saturday. Numbers are limited so please return the consent form asap to confirm participation.

### 23<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### **Gospel** - Mark 7: 31-37

Unless we know someone who is deaf, we take the gift of hearing for granted. We never stop to imagine how different our lives would be if we could not hear. In this Gospel we hear how one deaf man's world would never be the same again.

While the Gospel is speaking about a man who is physically deaf, we are to see that there are also other forms of deafness that we all participate in. We can refuse to listen to others; others can refuse to listen to us, or we can refuse to listen to what Jesus wants us to do.

#### **Reflection/Discussion**

Have you ever sat really quietly and listened to the sounds around you? Spend some quiet time with your family.

- Talk about what can you hear? What things would you not be able to do if you were deaf or could not hear properly?
- Would you be able to speak properly?
- How do deaf people 'speak' to each other if they can't talk?
- Who asked Jesus to cure the deaf man?
- How did Jesus heal the man? Why did he choose to touch him and not just say "Be healed"?
- What do you think the man's first words might be after Jesus cured him?



## Jump Rope Day is on Tuesday 8 September 11:30am-12:30pm





Next Tuesday St Anne's school is having its 'Jump Rope

for Heart' day. Children are asked to wear sports mufti and have a healthy lunch on this day.

The skipping will start at 11:30am with four rotations to complete before lunch time.

Please bring your own lunch and join the children.

We have had a number of sponsorship forms back with a donation, please hand these in to the office by the end of the term,

### **Christchurch City Libraries Holiday Programmes**

Event calendar and downloadable brochure online: http://christchurchcitylibraries.com/LearningCentres/Brochures/HolidayProgrammes

Here is a list of the programmes that we will be running here at the South Library:

- **3D Tinker Workshop** (10-13 years), \$30 each Tuesday 29 September, 9.30am 3.00pm
- Chillout Tunes (7-9 years), \$7 each Wednesday 30 September, 9.30am 12.00pm
- Family Game Time (all ages), free Thursday 1 October, 10.30am 12.30pm
- Minecraft Game Zone (8-12 years), \$7 each Thursday 1 October, 10.30am 12.30pm or Friday 2 October, 10.30am 12.30pm
- Stylish Stickers (5-7 years), \$7 each Monday 5 October, 9.30am 12.00pm
- **Stop Motion Animation** (8-12 years), \$22 each Tuesday 6 October, 1.00 3.30pm and Wednesday 7 October, 9.30am 3.00pm (this programme runs for 1.5 days)

#### GREY GOOSE WING ARCHERY SOCIETY



Stuck for something to do during the School Holiday ???

Try your hand at Archery!



Age 10 and upwards, adults included! Booking is essential, as numbers are limited. Held at: Catholic Cathedral College, off Ferry Road. Cost \$20 per 2 hour session.

Day	Date	Time - am	Time - pm
Tuesday	29 <sup>th</sup> September	10:30 – 12:30	1:30 – 3:30
Wednesday	30 <sup>th</sup> September	10:30 – 12:30	1:30 – 3:30
Tuesday	6 <sup>th</sup> October	10:30 – 12:30	1:30 – 3:30
Thursday	8 <sup>th</sup> October	10:30 – 12:30	1:30 – 3:30

Please contact: Maria Tucker on 383 3837 or <u>ggwas@outlook.co.nz</u> or <u>www.ggw-archery.weebly.com</u> Your coach has many years experience and registered to Archery New Zealand.

# KIDS Holiday programme

### October 2015 Holiday Programme fun!

The October school holidays are approaching fast.... Sport Canterbury have action packed programmes with exciting activities and awesome excursions open for bookings now!

Active Kids is an exciting structured programme of sport, physical activity and play for primary school aged children. The programmes are safe and affordable; there are a number of programme/venue options to suit you and your children's needs.

Visit our website for full details: http://www.sportcanterbury.org.nz/new-zealand/holiday-programmes/]