

6 May 2015

Focus for the Week: John 15:1-8 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Jesus is the vine, we are the branches

In Sunday's gospel reading, Jesus used the story of the vine and branches to explain that we are in partnership with him. By reading and listening to scripture and celebrating the sacraments, we receive his spiritual nourishment to grow and bear fruit. John's letter reminds us that this fruit is love and we express this love through our thoughts, words and actions during our daily lives. Jesus is living and working in our lives. By being kind and loving, ready to forgive, honest and generous, we are being the hands, voice and face of Christ. The fruits of Jesus' love are there for everyone to see.

Value Focus: Diversity – Week 3

Resilience is shown by those who learn from their mistakes. Being able to be honest with ourselves, evaluate our efforts and break through the disappointment often sees the way clear to identify where we went wrong. It may mean seeking help from others to help yourself. That's ok! It gives us the opportunity to set in motion a plan to get it right in the future. Combined with guts and determination, mistakes are nothing but the chance to get it right next time.

"What did you first do when you learn to play Hockey? You make mistakes, do you not? And what happen? You make other mistakes, and when you have made all the mistakes you can possibly make, you will make them many times over – what do you find? That you can play Hockey! Well – life is just the same as learning to play Hockey! Do not be afraid to make mistakes, for there is no other way of learning how to live! "– Alfred Adler

This Week's Māori Focus Phrase.

Each week our school is going to be focussing on a useful Maori phrase. These phrases will help us in class and at home.

This week's phrase is:

Week 3 – Line up outside/inside - Arrange Ki who/root

The aim is to learn and use each phrase as much as possible, before a new phrase is introduced the following week.

Dear Parents and Friends of the School

Principal's Platform:

E ngā mātua, Tena Koutou, Talofa

Dear parents and caregivers:

As was notified on Monday it is with sadness that we received the news of the passing from this life after a brave and long battle with cancer, of Jacqui Frazer, who until last month was a member of our Board of Trustees. Please join me in saying this traditional catholic prayer for Jacqui.

"Eternal Rest grant unto her o Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace."

"God is Love and the one who lives in love, lives in God and God lives in them." I remember these words from a popular church song of the seventies and eighties. Let us all be a living witness to our children through word and action, of a God of love. Regretfully over the years I have seen so many children who know ridicule, sarcasm and rejection. How happy and generally well-adjusted is the child who knows love. A child is never too big for a hug and an encouraging word. Take this as an

opportunity to reflect on your relationship with your children, are you their best friend?

As has been the case since the start of the 'Fieldays' (often known as Field Days) at Mystery creek, our PTFA is calling for volunteers to donate their time to help with gate keeping. The money raised will be going towards the PTFA project of building a new and much larger playground for the middle school. It is hoped to build this playground in stages with stage one to be built early next year once the Arts Centre redevelopment is finished. I have helped for a number of years and thoroughly enjoy the experience, the bonus is you get free entry into the Fieldays after your shift.

Welcome:

We warmly welcome into our school community the following students and their families;
Andrew Lamb (Rm 15), Chloe Hilario (Rm 4), George Aubin (Rm 4)

Mass on Thursday 7 May 2015:

Team 1 are celebrating Mass this week at 9.45am. You are welcome to join them.

This was originally advertised as a full school mass.

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS:

On Saturday 25th of April, Nina and I represented Marian School at the Anzac Wreath Laying Ceremony. The wreath we placed on the cenotaph, was kindly created by Mrs Brown, our librarian. We felt privileged to do this on behalf of our school. By Lucy Muldowney.



Reminder Notice- Maths Buddy training:

For parents of invited students and parents in Team 4, tonight 5.30pm-6.30pm, in Room 19. See you there.

Important Dates for Parents and Caregivers of Year 8 Students:

Sacred Heart College Open Day is on 21st May, will have for girls attending the college in 2016 and their parents. The session times are either 9-10.30am or 12-1.30pm on the day. We understand that some girls will miss this due to NYLD and recommend that you make an alternative time to visit the school, should you wish to. If your daughter is attending please forward a note to your daughter's classroom teacher, prior to the Open Day, explaining which session they will go to.

St John's College Open Evening:

This will also be held on May 21st. Please visit the College website www.stjohns-hamilton.school.nz for more details regarding times.

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Visit to Marian:

St Johns and Sacred Heart staff members will address all Year 8's on the afternoon of **Monday June 8th, from 1.30pm**. Parents are most welcome to attend this information session. We will meet in the atrium, in the senior school.

Chair bags:

These are only available for purchase at the office for Team 1 children as they do not work on lift up desks. Other students may purchase a chair bag from Spotlight or another supplier. We apologise for any inconvenience but we often struggle to find sewers.

FIRST COMMUNION CONFIRMATION AND RECONCILIATION PROGRAMME:

Enrolments are now available. Please email andrea@cathedralbvm.org.nz. Children who are baptised Catholic, aged 8 (usually Year 4 and upward) and over are eligible to join the programme. The ceremony will be on 22 November at the 10.30am Mass. The programme starts on 26th July with a parent meeting and runs through Terms 3 and 4.

2nd HAND UNIFORM SHOP:

**Change of Day Now Wednesdays
2-2.45pm – everything is \$2**

GWYNNE SHEILD RUGBY:

Hamilton Wasps Rugby Trial

Is this Sunday 10 May 2015 at Swarbrick Park, Frankton. Registration and Weigh in at 9.00am. First Trials for the Wasp start at 9.15am finishing around 1pm. For more information contact Graham Wallace (coach) on 027 3425278

Peachgrove Dental Clinic:

On the 18th of May 2015 the Peachgrove Dental Team will be visiting Marian school to apply Fluoride Varnish to the children who have consent, and are on our 6 monthly fluoride program. We will not be undertaking examinations at this time.

Our Dental Team will be visiting term 3, and will undertake full examinations of the school children at that time those dates are 5.8.15 till 25.08.15

If you have any queries or would like to contact us please phone 0800 Talk Teeth (0800 825 583)

Kind regards the Peachgrove Dental Team.

This Week's Health Nugget:

WINTER WARMERS

Tuna Pasta Bake

400g penne pasta
2x 180g cans of tuna
2C chopped vegetables
2x 400g cans of tomatoes

2tsp mixed herbs
½C edam cheese, grated

Feeds a family of FIVE!

Preheat oven to 180°C. Cook pasta, drain and pour into an ovenproof dish.

In a bowl, mix tuna, vegetables, tomatoes and herbs. Combine with pasta, sprinkle with cheese and bake for 20 minutes.

Developed by Sport Waikato 2015

A photograph of a bowl filled with tuna pasta bake, showing the pasta, tuna, and vegetables. The bowl is white and sits on a dark surface.

Sausage Sizzle: This Friday - \$2.00 each

God Bless You
John Coulam
Principal

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