

23 August

**Focus for the Week:** *Only the Whole Truth*

*In our efforts to remain faithful to the word of Christ, even where it is demanding and hard to understand, we are bound to continually confront our own convictions with the teachings of the Gospel and the Church's traditions.*

*We must not yield to the temptation of relativism or of a subjectivist and selective interpretation of Sacred Scripture.*

*Only the whole truth can open us to adherence to Christ who died and rose for our salvation.*

Pope Benedict XVI

Dear Parents and Friends of the School

**Principal's Platform:** A reminder that grandparent's day will be celebrated on **Friday 8 September**. This is a special feast day for Mary the mother of Jesus, and is our school's feast day. Grandparents are invited to attend the school Mass on this day at **10.45** which will be celebrated by Bishop Denis Browne. Following the Mass, Bishop Denis will formally bless and open the administration centre which will then be open for grandparents to walk through.

At about 12.10 p.m. the grandparents are welcome to join invited guests and Bishop Denis for a finger food lunch in the hall. Because of anticipated numbers and as this is a day for the grandparents and invited guests we unfortunately will not be able to provide lunch for the parents. The PTFA will be serving tea and coffee from the hall throughout the lunch period. Alternatively, you might wish to bring a picnic lunch to share outside with your grandchildren.

From approximately 12.30 p.m., the Kapa haka and Pasifika groups will perform on the asphalt outside the hall. Afternoon classes will recommence at about 1.15 p.m. at which point more entertainment will be provided for grandparents. All classes will be open for the grandparents to walk through and discover what the education system offers today.

There will be an opportunity for grandparents to purchase a book to donate to the school library on this day should they wish. Please discuss this with any grandparents who may attend on the day so that if they do wish to

donate a book then they bring cash with them. The Library will be open for children to share the environment with their grandparents from 12:30pm onwards.

**Bereavement:** We offer our deepest sympathies to Brooke and Raven Priestley and their family on the death of their much loved grandfather and father.

**Thank you:** Staff and students from Team 1 wish to thank Craig and Bernie Miller for a great farm visit. The children enjoyed their visit and learnt a lot about 'Milk'.

God Bless  
Team 1.

**Whanau Meeting - Tonight!!**

Remember we have our next parent community meeting tonight!!!

**Everyone** is welcome! (all cultures). Come, form connections with other parents and staff. It will be a casual meeting for you to share ideas of how we can support you. We would love to see you there. Refreshments will be served!

Where: Whare Taonga

When: 7pm

See you there

Mā te Atua e koe e manaaki. (God Bless You).

Nā Whaea Doak

Nā Antonia Fong-Molenaar

**Scholastic Book Order**

Please enquire at the library for an unclaimed, unnamed book order.

### **Pasifika Culture Group**

Kia Ora! Kia Orana! Male e lelei! Bula! Faikalofa lahi atu! Kona Mauri! Aloha! Talofa lava! Warm Pacific Greetings to you all!

The Marian Pasifika Culture Group continue to practice in the hall every Thursday 12:45 – 1:20pm.

Thank you to our parents who have come to support and help during this time – it is appreciated.

The group consist of 86 students from Yr1-Yr8. Due to this large number parental support is always required.

We have been working towards September 8 with “Grandparents Day”. The Pasifika Group will participate in the Mass at 10:30am. and later in the day, a performance to continue with celebrations of this special day.

A BIG THANK YOU to our Mothers, Margaret Takitimu and Kiri Musudroka for making 40 new uniforms – a big job well done and greatly appreciated. Fa’afefai lava!

Louella, Stella and Joanna



**Congratulations** to the following students for passing their tap/jazz dancing medal test.

- Maria Franicevic – Jnr/Silver jazz with High Honours
- Hannah Franicevic – Jnr/Gold Tap with High Honours & Intermediate Silver jazz with Distinction
- Kellie Petrin – Jnr Bronze Tap with High Honours & Jnr Bronze jazz with Distinction
- Tess Benseman – Jnr Gold Tap with High Honours and Sen Bronze Jazz with Honours

**International & ESOL Parents:** It was lovely to see you all last Tuesday. Please feel welcome to come again next Tuesday for a cuppa. Love to see you there!

**Sing-a-Long:** Reminder to all parents to join staff in the Whare on Fridays from 3pm – 3:30 for a singing session.

**Wanted:** Over next two weeks, any bottles tops from bottles such as milk, soft drinks, water etc. It would be very much appreciated. Please leave at the office. Thank you.

**School Lunches:** Bacon & Egg Mini pies are no longer available – we can only supply Bacon & Egg standard @ \$2.00

**For Sale:** Two Great Race Ball Tickets @ \$150.00 each. Please phone Kelly 027 442 5144

### **Lost:**

- Toy dog, soft 2-tone brown. Much loved and missed by pre-schooler. Please return to office.

**Free to a good Home:** A Sacred Heart PE Uniform Size Medium. See Martha

**HN Junior Naturalist Club** (8-17 year olds): 25 August “Energy, electronics, and the environment” 7pm, Hort Centre, Hamilton gardens, Gate 2.

- **Tui Glen Equestrian:** Horse Riding Camps, spring holidays, from beginner to advanced, your horse or ours. To find out more [www.tuiglen.net.nz](http://www.tuiglen.net.nz)
- **YWCA School Holiday Programme** – 25 Sept to 6 Oct. from 8:00am to 5:30m daily. To book or for more information please contact Luke Dawson 838 2219 or email [programmes@ywcahamilton.org.nz](mailto:programmes@ywcahamilton.org.nz) (Cnr Clarence & Pembroke St)

**WAMP & WEL Energy Trust present 1939 Warner Bros Family Classic film “The Wonderful Wizard of Oz”.**

2pm Saturday 26 August at Hamilton Fraser High Sports Centre. Dress up in your favourite character and win fun prizes. Pop corn & drinks available. All ages welcome and stay for the disco afterward. Entry is one gold coin donation per child.

### **A Poem by Belcita Biju (Rm 2, 6 yrs old):**

A rainbow is just one colour  
A sea shell is just one size  
Of course God made them different  
Our God is wise.

**Sausage Sizzle:** This Friday \$1.00 per sausage

God Bless You

John Coulam  
Principal