



St Brigid's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

It is that time of the term again when we start thinking and planning for the following term.

One of the things that we have set dates for, are the Learning Conversations (Whakawhiti Korero) which will happen across the school in Week 3, **11 and 12 August**.

As part of these conversations mini reports will be sent home at the end of this term. They will very briefly show you how well your child is meeting the New Zealand Curriculum Expectations for this time of year in reading, writing and maths; how learning dispositions and key competencies are developing and a general summary about their participation and enjoyment in the classroom.

These will be part of the discussion in early term three.

However, we are trialing something **slightly different for our Year 1 and 2 students**. We are very keen to eventually be able to use Seesaw (along with face to face conversations) for reporting to parents. We are aware that we are not quite ready to do this as a whole school yet. But believe that Team Tahī has fantastic engagement with Year 1 and 2 parents and with the tool itself, and have during the first half of the year been giving parents a broad and rich picture of children's progress and achievement.

This means that about a quarter of the school will be using Seesaw as the reporting tool, as well as having a conversation/korero with parents and caregivers. We will ask for feedback from this group of parents in term three.

We also know, from a focus group we worked with, that being told that your child is at /below/above where they need to be in core curriculum, doesn't provide enough concrete information. Parents don't really know what that looks like in terms of skills, knowledge, and specific learning. To help support you we have put together leveled sheets in maths and literacy that provide skills and knowledge your child has/needs to have at each particular level of the curriculum. The link to these will be emailed out with the reports so that you can have a look and find out what is expected at each level.

So.....

- At the end of the term (**Thursday 8 July**), mini reports will go home for **Year 3 - 8 students** as well as an emailed link to a breakdown of Curriculum Levels in maths and literacy for:
Level 1 (Year 1/2), Level 2 (Year 3/4), Level 3 (Year 5/6) and Level 4 (Y7/8).
- **Year 1 and 2 students** will be emailed the link to the breakdown of Curriculum Levels in maths and literacy.
- In Term Three, Week 3, all parents will have the opportunity to talk with their child's teacher and child about their learning and identify what their strengths and next steps are (and how parents can support these).
- Booking for these Learning Conversations/Whakawhiti Korero will open at the beginning of Term Three.
- Feedback will be sort from Team Tahī parents' mid term

God Bless

Linda

Learning together with strength of character and gentleness of heart



Parent Feedback

Parent feedback, both through surveys and in casual conversations often focuses on our space (or lack of it) and we get suggestions about how we could improve. Whilst it is not possible, at this stage, to build a hall or a football field, we have brightened up our entrance ways at the school gates with some new signs. This has also been suggested by a number of parents. The signs are fresh, clean, and simple and have protective coating so they can be easily cleaned.



| <p align="center">KEY DATES TO NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR</p> <p align="center">Further details can be found on the website (www.stbrigids.school.nz)</p> | | |
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| Team Tahi | Fri 02 Jul | Team Tahi Assembly 2.00pm |
| Team Toru | Fri 18 Jun | Team Toru Assembly 2.00pm |
| | Tues 22 Jun | ASB Sports 10.30am – 2.30pm |
| | Mon 28 Jun | Trip to the Dowse Art Museum and Dowse Square |
| Other Events | Thurs 17 Jun | Year 4 – 8 Swimming Sports, Karori Swimming Pool - 9.00am – 12.30pm |
| | Mon 28 Jun | BOT meeting - 6.00pm |
| | Thurs 8 Jul | School Mass St Peter & Paul’s Church - 2.00pm-3.00pm |
| | Fri 9 Jul | Uniform Free Day – Bring something for the Kids Games at the fair End of Term 2 School Finishes at 2.00pm |



Year 7/8 Interzone CrossvCountry

Well done to these students who participated in the Interzone Cross Country today at Grenada North Park. The conditions were challenging with some very muddy patches in places. We are proud of your effort today. Thank you to Lisa Coles who helped with transport and was the best support crew.



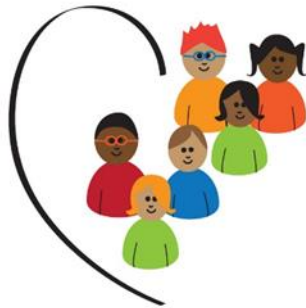
Parking Around the School

PLEASE
DO NOT PARK
ACROSS
THE DRIVE
THANK YOU.

Please be considerate and respectful of our neighbours by **not parking in or across their driveways** even if you are just popping into school.

Please **do not** park on yellow lines especially by our road patrol points as our road patrollers can't see past you and puts them in a dangerous position.

Thank you



Friends & Whanau Fundraising
St Brigid's School

Roti Bread Fundraiser

Roti orders pick up will be after school from the staffroom on **Monday 21 June.**

Bring something for the Kids games - Friday 9 July

On the last day this term, **Friday 9 July**, we're having a uniform free day for the kid's games at the Fair.

Bring something that could be used as a prize for these stalls. This includes:

- Bags of mini chocolate bars (eg Moro, Picnic, Snickers, Mars etc)
- Large chocolate bars
- Bags of wrapped lollipops or lollies
- Soft toys (could be a good quality one from home or new)
- Items which could be used for prizes (pencils, pens, stickers, games, balls, etc.)

Please make sure any chocolate or food have an expiry date after 14 November.



Next Fair Meeting

Please put **Thursday 5 August** in your calendar for the next Fair Meeting. This will start at **7.00pm** in the staffroom.

Also, we are looking for a coordinator for the Cafe, Box Maze and the Games. If you know anyone let Tracey know robinsfamilynz@gmail.com

Community News



Churton Park July Holiday Programme

Our July Holiday Programme is live and open for bookings! Remember to book your place now as spaces are filling up fast. We have some great activities planned for these holidays! Some of our themed days are 'Minecraft Mania', 'Who's Got the Ring?' and more...

We will also have our very own 'Kelly Club at the Oscars', where you get to dress up as your favourite movie character, we can't wait! Check our activity planner attached, where you can also find out what amazing trips we have planned too! For more information check out our website at www.kellyclub.co.nz/churton-park or contact us at churtonpark@kellyclub.co.nz or Tel: 022 010 9972.

KELLY CLUB JULY HOLIDAY PROGRAMME:

Kelly Club Holiday Programmes focus on giving children aged between 5 and 13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment.

These programmes are packed with activities to entertain and inspire children. We have some exciting days planned: **Trips to: "Laserforce, Te Papa, Avalon Park and we are to the movies to see "Tom & Jerry) Plus: The Oscars Day, Creepy Crawlies Day, Go for Gold Day, Glitter VS Goo Day and Zappo the Magician is coming to Kelly Club and lots more!!**

Kelly Club Holiday Programmes are held at the following venues: **Kelburn Normal School, Churton Park School, Westpark School, Amesbury School, Island Bay School.**

For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit www.kellyclub.co.nz email admin@kellysports.co.nz or call **04 972 7201**

NETBALL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME – RAROA NORMAL INTERMEDIATE HALL

With Bianca Nagaiya who is currently in the "National Netball League for Wellington" and a former "New Zealand Secondary Schools Player"

Come along and grow your child's confidence at the Kelly Sports Netball Holiday Programme.

Years 1-4 - Learn the basic fundamentals of netball in a fun and engaging environment. Learn the key skills and understanding of the game, ball handling, co-ordination, speed and accuracy.

Year 5-8 – For those already playing or just starting 7-a-side netball and for those wanting to get a head start and advance their technical and tactical knowledge of the game focusing on the key skill areas for their level of development.

We use fun drills and games to develop and challenge young players focusing on the key skill areas for their level of development while also having fun!

Week 2 ONLY – Tues 20 July, Weds 21 July, Thurs 22 July 9am-12pm.

