



St Brigid's School Newsletter

10 August 2021



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Dear Parents and Caregivers

This morning I was fortunate enough to join Team Rua's Liturgy, led by Challenge 2000. It was a beautiful liturgy with children contributing prayers, readings and joining in with enthusiastic singing. The theme of the liturgy was kindness; a way of behaving that should underpin every interaction that we make.

School expectations, known as the 3R's, provide a framework for teaching children to respect themselves, others and the environment. This is achieved *through the action of kindness*. Each year we have a number of programmes that teachers deliver, that teach children positive social skills and how to develop and maintain relationships. This is strengthened through our Religious Education programme, vision and values.

The biggest single issue that causes disharmony within the school is unkindness!

It harms relationships, leaves children feeling left out and causes a great deal of unhappiness. It also diminishes the mana of the person who is being unkind. It should be easy to be kind (to love one another as I have loved you) but some children really struggle at times.

- What do you do at home that models, encourages, and promotes kindness?
- Do you have conversations with your children about how they can be kind?

As they say: **'In a world where you can be anything, be kind'**.

God bless

Linda

Special Character Review

We warmly welcome to St Brigid's Zita Smith and Karolina Surynt-Tapiki, who are in the school at the moment reviewing the schools Special Character.

Zita is working for the Archdiocese and is leading the review and Karolina is principal of Our Lady of the Rosary in Waiwhetu. They will be with us until midday Thursday.

Learning Conversations

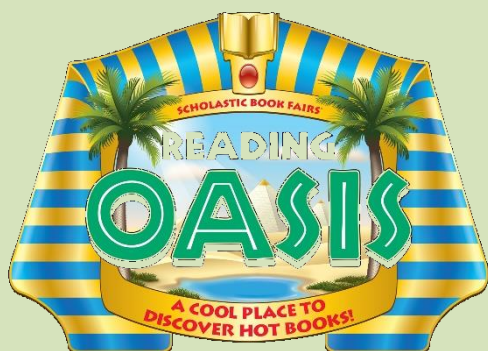
The **online booking system is now closed**. Please contact the school office on 478 6516 or email Lynne at lynne@stbrigids.school.nz if you still need to make an appointment with your child's teacher.



KEY DATES TO NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

Further details can be found on the website (www.stbrigid.school.nz)

Team Rua	Wed 11 Aug, 18 Aug, 25 Aug & 1 Sept	Gymnastics – Nairnville Recreation Centre
	Tues 7 Sept	Room 8 Johnsonville Library visit
	Fri 10 Sept	Team Rua Assembly 2.00pm
Team Toru	Fri 3 Sept	Team Toru Assembly 2.00pm
Team Wha	Fri 13 Aug	Team Wha Assembly 2.00pm
	Tues 7 Sept	ASB Sports 9.30am – 2.00pm
Other Events	Tues 10 Aug – Fri 13 Aug	Scholastic Book Fair School Library Tues & Fri 3.00pm – 3.30pm, Wed & Thurs 3.00pm – 7.00pm
	Tues 10 Aug – Thurs 12 Aug	Special Character Review
	Wed 11 Aug – Thurs 12 Aug	Learning Conversations 3.15pm – 8.00pm
	Fri 13 Aug	Book Character Dress Up Day
	Fri 27 Aug	Teacher Only Day School Closed
	Mon 30 Aug	BOT meeting 6.00pm
	Fr1 10 Sept	Northern Zone Swimming Tournament



St Brigid's Annual Scholastic Book Fair

We have lots of books and posters for sale at great prices and every book sold earns points that our school can use towards buying more beautiful books for our school library.

The Library will be open: **Tuesday 10 August 3.00pm- 3.30pm, Wednesday/Thursday 11/12 August 3.00pm-7.00pm Friday 13 August 3.00pm-3.30pm.**

Book Character Dress Up Day

Finally, to celebrate all things books we will finish off with our annual **Book Character Dress Up Day** on **Friday 13 August** Come along to school dressed up as your favourite book character. Prizes for the best costumes and we will also announce the winners of our colouring competition.

St Brigid's School Uniform Fittings

Please phone **Bernadette Chapman on 972 0682** between the hours of **9.00am – 4.00pm Monday to Friday** to **make an appointment for a fitting if required**. Saturday morning appointments are available on request. If you can't make your appointment, please let Bernadette know. **PLEASE DO NOT JUST TURN UP WITHOUT AN APPOINTMENT.**



Community News



Come and Support Kelly Club's Annual Cure Kids Red Nose Week Fundraiser!

Red Nose Day is Cure Kids' biggest annual appeal, and at Kelly Club we have dedicated a whole week to it. Their purpose is to fund 'big research for little lives.' They focus on funding amazing researchers who are coming up with ways to save, extend and improve the lives of kids who are living with serious health conditions. Cure Kids-funded researchers live right here in NZ, and they're developing clever ways to help kids not just in our country, but across the whole world! With Red Nose Day being our biggest appeal, it's our chance to raise as much money as possible to continue this important work.

BAKE SALE: OPEN TO ALL! \$1-\$2 PER ITEM

Wednesday 11 August - Friday 13 August. From 3pm, Playground Outside Staff Room

SOAK THE KELLY CLUB STAFF MEMBER!

Open to Whole School. Tuesday 10 August and Thursday 12 August at 3.10pm. Playground (weather dependent).

GUESS HOW MANY SWEETS IN THE JAR!

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You can also book in at Kelly Club ASC to get involved in more fundraising activities, at www.kellyclub.co.nz/st-brigids.

Program Coordinator: Nicole Buys, Kelly Club St Brigids, Email: stbrigids@kellyclub.co.nz

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A musical evening with Fr Chris Skinner, supported by St Catherine's College students, at 7pm on Sunday 22 August at St Joseph's Church, Ellice St, Mt Victoria. \$20 cash at door or go online to www.trybooking.co.nz/HZW. Booking fee is 30 cents. Fr Chris's CDs will be available to purchase www.chrisskinner.org.nz.

Piano Lessons - Suzuki Method

I have a few vacancies in my studio. For expression of interest, phone Ruth Page at 04 478 8943

New Players event

