

St Brigid's School Notices

28 September 2021



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School Calendar	
Fri 1 Oct	'No uniform' Day – gold coin donation End of Term 3 – School finishes at 2.00pm
Mon 18 Oct	Start of Term 4
Tues 26 Oct	BOT Meeting 6.00pm



Catholic School's Day - Wednesday 29 September

On **Wednesday 29 September** all Catholic Schools in New Zealand will be celebrating what makes each school a Catholic School. The **theme for 2021** is **"Tūrangawaewae: Catholic Schools-A Place to Stand".** Tūrangawaewae is the understanding that we have places where we feel connected and inspired. It is a place of security and foundation (www.teara.govt.nz). Through our baptism we become part of the faithful, te whānau whakapono, and through our baptism we find a place to stand which is woven through our stories that connect us together to the land, to our tūrangawaewae. On this day, classes will be discussing, sharing and celebrating what makes St Brigid's School part of our treasured Catholic tradition.



Urgent Fair Meeting

Due to the current covid alert level restrictions we will be holding a Fair/Fundraising meeting on **Wednesday 5 August** to decide whether to proceed with the school fair.

This meeting will start at **7.00pm** in the staffroom.



This **Friday**, **1 October** we will be celebrating end of term with a 'No Uniform Day'. **Please bring a gold coin** to give to your classroom teacher.

Change of Date for Welcoming Whakatau for our New Students and Whanau

As part of our school welcoming protocol, we welcome all new students and whanau with a Whakatau (Maori welcome). This will now be happening on **Tuesday 19 October** at **10.05am**. As we were unable to do this for Term 2, we are inviting all those who were new to St Brigid's School in Term 3 to be formally welcomed in Term 4. An individual invite will be sent out to all students and families next week.



An update from the Confirmation Programme Team

Dear Parents and caregivers

I would like to give you all an update on where things are at with the Confirmation Programme. We had emailed the Archdiocese office about possible dates and they have come back to us.

We will be having two Confirmation mass on the weekend of 6 - 7 November as it did not clash with any major parish events and hopefully by then, we will be back at Level 1.

The First Mass on 6 November is at St Andrews Church, Newlands at 5:00pm.

The Second Mass on 7 November is at SS Peters and Pauls Church, Johnsonville at 10:30am.

I hope this may give you some notice to inform family members, in particular those who are from out of town. (This will all be dependent on if we go back to level 1 by then).

At this Stage, we are still looking to go ahead with the Confirmation mass.

Spirit Holiday Programme

We will have Spirit Holiday programmes for children aged 5-11, during these coming holidays on **7** October and **14** October, **10.00am-4.00pm** (Again, this is dependent on the alert levels)

However, there has been no changes to the requirement that the Archdiocese have put in place about not being able to gather in groups for the Confirmation Programme. They will review this again on the 5 October.

I know this is a stressful and challenging time for families. Please let me know if there are any questions you might have or even feedback on how the Parish can best support you and your family during this time.

Thank you for your patience and understanding with the Programme.

Many Blessings

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Community News





DancePointe Academy

Holiday Dance classes for children on Mondays and Tuesday mornings during the school holidays. 5-9 year olds 10.00am -11.00am 10-13year olds 11am -12noon. 4, 5, 11 and 12 October. Open to the community so that children can experience dance. Can choose to do upwards of 2 classes but must register. Contact Sharon dancepointenz@gmail.com www.dancepointe .co.nz mobile 021-2151222.