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School Calendar	
Fri 12 Nov	Tombola – (see notice in Friends & Whanau section)
Mon 15 Nov	Teacher Only Day – School Closed
Wed 17 Nov	Pyjama Day for Diabetes Awareness Month – gold coin donation to classroom teacher
Fri 19 Nov	Sausage Sizzle fundraiser (in lieu of school fair)
Mon 29 Nov	Year 3-8 Athletics - Tabloid BOT Meeting 6.00pm
Tues 30 Nov	Year 8 Retreat
Fri 3 Dec	Year 8 Immunisations
Mon 6 Dec	Athletics Postponement Date
Thurs 9 Dec	Year 8 Leavers Dinner (students only)
Wed 15 Dec	End of Term 4 School Finishes at 1.00pm



Please Read the Very Important Covid-19 Notice Emailed Home Today

A very important Covid-19 notice was emailed to all parents/caregivers today.

Please ensure you read this email.



Please Park Your Car Safely and Legally Around Our School

Please remember our students, patrollers and school community when dropping off or collecting your children.

We have recently had several instances of cars parking on the yellow lines, over driveways and in one case in the middle of the road with emergency lights on when dropping students off. This is not only illegal but dangerous.

Please also be considerate of parking so that others can pull in behind you to avoid congestion on the road.

Our road patrollers are trying to make decisions when they can't see past the cars.

Pyjama Day Fundraiser for Diabetes Awareness Month



As November is Diabetes Awareness Month, we will be having a pyjama day on **Wednesday 17 November** for Diabetes Awareness Month (come to school wearing your favourite pj's). This is in recognition of all those children who spend many nights in hospital when first diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes (and often when they become sick with a virus) and the **many, many** sleepless nights for their caregivers trying to manage their blood glucose levels during the night to

keep them alive and well. Please bring a gold coin donation to give to your teacher, with proceeds going toward Diabetes Youth Wellington.



Diabetes Youth Wellington Incorporated (DYW) provides support, education, and advocacy for young people affected by type 1 diabetes (and their families) across the Wellington region. As well as providing support directly, they also provide opportunities for the diabetic youth community to interact, share challenges and support each other, through various events

throughout the year as well as an annual camp which is invaluable for those newly diagnosed and their families, as well as those who have been living with type 1 diabetes for some time.

Type 1 diabetes is different to type 2 diabetes. It is an autoimmune condition that can affect children as young as babies. It is life long, there is no cure. Living with or caring for a child with T1D is a full-time balancing act requiring constant attention to avoid acute, life-threatening hypoglycemia (low blood sugar) or the long-term damage done by hyperglycemia (high blood sugar). Blood sugar levels must be monitored either with finger pricks (often 6 or more per day) or a continuous glucose monitor. Insulin, which is injected several times a day or administered by pump, must be carefully calculated based upon activity and stress levels, food intake, illness, and additional factors. These calculations are rarely perfect resulting in a tremendous emotional and mental burden for both child and caregivers.

Confirmation Programme 2021

Due to Covid-19 Level 2, we were only able to hold one Confirmation Mass this year. Some families who wanted to have their Child receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year were able to. There will be an opportunity for those who missed out this year to be able to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next year (Hopefully we are able to have big gatherings by then).

Last weekend on **6 November** 4pm at SS Peters and Pauls Church 18 children received the Sacrament of Confirmation. We were so lucky to have Cardinal John Dew as our lead celebrant alongside our very own Fr Pete Roe.



Congratulations to our children at St Brigids who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation:

Kyle Balili, Christine Ballesteros, Noah Bancolita, Sophie Clough, Ashley Elliot, Coby Gill, Elona Goriyel, Chase Ibe, Mitchelle Manalo, Kaylani Muaau, Jack Power, Ysabella Sayson, Conan Ting and Charmaine Tubio.



<u>Tombola Fundraiser (In Lieu of Fair)</u> <u>Friday Fun!</u>

The school fair has been cancelled but we still have one of our most popular stalls...Tombola!!



(This Friday, 12 November, School library at lunchtime.)

Support our wonderful school by bringing \$2 (or more) and choose a lucky stick to win a prize.

Everyone wins a prize!

Friends & Whanau Fundraiser (In Lieu of Fair) - Sausage Sizzle

Next Friday, 19 November The Friends & Whanau Team will be selling sausages as a fundraiser in lieu of the fair.

Sausages - \$2.00 each



- please place the money in an envelope,
- write the student's name, room number, order and total on the envelope,
- give the envelope to the class teacher by **Thursday 18 November** Thanks for your support.

Roti Bread Fundraiser

By the end of this week, we will be emailing the link to the online order form for this terms Roti Fundraiser.

Orders are due by **Friday 19 November**. **No late orders**.

Pick up will be after school from the staffroom on **Monday 6 December**.

Filipino Fundraiser

Since our school fair is unable to take place, we are very fortunate to be able to offer this delicious Filipino fundraiser to our school community.

Thank you to our wonderful Filipino families who are providing this fundraiser.

To place your order: please click on the link provided in the notice attached to the newsletter email.



Community News

The Johnsonville Community Association has joined the Newlands Resilience Trust in its annual Wellbeing Community Survey, and we ask for your support for the survey.

This survey asks a range of questions with a view to assessing the wellbeing of our community. It is aligned to the government <u>Wellbeing Surveys</u> and tries to measure how people feel about their lives. The link to the Wellbeing Survey is: https://www.research.net/r/Oct_2021_Community_Survey.

The Newlands Johnsonville Wellbeing Survey is available online from now until 12 November and we ask you all to take part in it so we can get a better idea of how well our community is doing in these challenging times. Following the survey, the Newlands Resilience Trust will compile the results and present them back to the community later this year.

If you are not comfortable with the on-line survey, we can also provide a PDF version that you can print, fill-in and send in. Please let us know if you wish to have a copy or if you have any questions about the survey.

So, help us get a better idea of how we are all doing by taking 5 - 10 minutes to complete this survey! Thanks to you all.

