
Upcoming Events

- **School Assembly** - Wednesday 15 November, 2.15pm – 2.45pm
- **Noho at Paparangi Marae for Kia Mau Tuakana** - Thursday 16 November
- **Advent Reconciliation** - Tuesday 21 November, 1.45pm – 2.45pm
- **St Brigid's School "Pack the Bus" Tabloid Sport Day Non-Uniform Day** (bring an item of non-perishable food or another item to pack the bus) - Wednesday 29 November
- **School Assembly** - Wednesday 29 November, 2.15pm – 2.45pm



We warmly welcome our new students Emily Frey and Andrew Hermoso who joined us this week in Room 3.

Emily and Andrew and their whānau are new to our school.

We hope you thoroughly enjoy being part of the St Brigid's whānau.

Thank you Team Tahī and Rua

A big thank you to students and whānau for supporting the Team Tahī and Rua Dances last Thursday. It was a fabulous afternoon, full of laughter, dancing and fun. A wonderful time was had by the Young Christian Leaders, students and teachers!

The funds raised from the dances will contribute to the Year 8 Camp. Thank you for your support.



5th Wave of Covid 19

With an increase in covid cases across the country, we encourage our school community to please keep your children at home if they have cold symptoms. This will also protect everyone at school from other viruses that are going around.

If you require RAT tests, please contact the school office and we can provide you with some.

St Brigid's Colour Dash Coordinator Urgently Needed

This term we will be holding our annual Colour Dash and we **urgently** need your help to make it a successful fundraising event. Funds raised will be going towards our new shade canopy.

We need a parent or group of parents to coordinate this school fundraiser. Tracey Robins, our previous coordinator has everything saved on a shared drive to pass on to the new coordinator.

Preparation for the Colour Dash includes the following:

- organising the paint and obtaining paint sponsors

- promotion of the Colour Dash through the school newsletter/notices
- organising the the sponsorship document
- organising prizes
- coordinating parent helpers
- liaising with Fiona Kearns on everything required to make this a successful school fundraising event.

If you are available to help or would like more information, please contact Fiona Kearns on fiona@stbrigids.school.nz as soon as possible.



Ice block Fundraiser

This **Friday, 10 November (and for the next 4 weeks)** we will be selling lemonade ice blocks to raise money for Year 8 camp.

We will have **mini ice blocks for the junior students costing \$1** and **larger ones for Team Toru and Team Whā priced at \$2.**

Please support our fundraiser.

They will be on sale outside Room 12 and under the shade cloth near Room 4.



Scholastic Lucky Book Club - Issue 8

Packed with lots of Christmas Present ideas!

A copy of Issue 8 of the Lucky Book Club brochure was sent home last week with students. To purchase any books just note the 3-digit code next to the title.

Visit <https://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz/Parent/ClubManagement.aspx>, type in the postcode 6037 and find St Brigid's School on the dropdown list, then follow the instructions from there. Orders are to be made by **Friday 17 November**.

Please let me know at debbie@stbrigids.school.nz if your order is a gift and you would like it left at the office for you to collect.

St Brigid's School "Pack the Bus" Tabloid Sport Day

On **Wednesday 29 November** the Young Christian Leaders and Sports Captains have organised a schoolwide tabloid sport event. Students are asked to come in non-uniform sporty gear for a fun filled morning of activities and games from **9.30am till 10.30am**.

We are inviting students to bring along a new item that we will be put onto the "Pack the Bus" which will be coming to St Brigid's School at **11am**. All proceeds go to the City Mission who will distribute the items to those who need it. As our value this term is aroha the YCL and Sports Captains thought this is one way we can show we care for those who need it most.

Items can be brought into the classroom on the day for collection or if they are brought in earlier, then there is a basket at St Brigid's school office that items can be left in.

Items which are most needed are:

- **Food:** Christmas Treats e.g. Christmas cakes, fancy crackers/biscuits, chippies, nuts, chocolates, relishes, chutneys
- **Grocery Items:** Tinned fruit, tinned meat, tinned tomatoes, baking items, laundry powder, toothbrushes, toothpaste, cereals, spreads
- **New Toys:** Wooden toys, teething rings, bath toys, family games/puzzles, beauty products, sensory toys, jewelry, perfume





Carols

AT ST BRIGID'S

Join us for a heart-warming evening of community festive spirit as we gather for Christmas carol singing on the big courts.

Please bring along your own blanket and picnic.

MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER

5-7 PM

2023 End of School Year Event Dates (Mark Your Calendar)

- **Carols and Picnic** - Monday 4 December, 5pm – 7pm
 - **Years 5-8 Mt Kaukau Walk** - Wednesday 6 December
 - **Year 8 Principal's Day Out** - Thursday 7 December
 - **2024 Transition Morning** - Thursday 7 December
 - **Year 8 Dinner 5pm drinks dinner to follow** - Thursday 7 December
 - **School Waikanae Picnic** - Monday 11 December
 - **End of Year Mass** - Tuesday 12 December 11am
 - **School Assembly** - Wednesday 13 December, 2.15pm – 2.45pm
 - **Last Day of School** - Friday 15 December 1pm
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Parish News

The poster is framed in a yellow border. At the top, the Maori phrase "BETTER OFF TOGETHER HE WAKA EKE NOA" is written in a semi-circle. Below this, an illustration shows three orange human figures standing in blue water. One figure on the left is reaching out towards two stars in the sky. Another figure on the right is also reaching out. A third, smaller figure is in the water between them. The scene is framed by a decorative arch with red and black patterns. Below the illustration, the text "WORLD DAY OF THE POOR" is written in large, bold, black letters. Underneath that, a quote reads: "Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor". Further down, it says "ALL WELCOME". The event details are listed: "St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish", "Saturday 18th November at 5pm", and "Sunday 19th November at 10am". At the bottom, contact information is provided: "Contact Ana: 0212273754 or anabaice@challenge2000.org.nz". A small circular logo for "Challenge 2000" is also present.

CHRISTMAS FAMILY MASS GOSPEL PRESENTATION**PHOTO SHOOT SUNDAY 26th Nov after 10.00a.m Mass**

Calling all parish children who would like to be part of our Gospel powerpoint presentation at our Christmas Eve family mass.

The Christmas story will be narrated accompanying a prepared powerpoint presentation.

The presentation will be compiled from photos of our own children in costume.

A photo session will be held after the 10.00a.m Mass on Sunday 26th Nov. We invite all children who would like to be part of this to come along. If you come to this session we presume you give permission for your child's photo to be used.

Costumes will be provided.

Each child attending on 26th will be given a gift.

Any child not able to attend on 26th November can still participate in our Christmas mass. We would like children in costume [provided just prior to Christmas Eve] to greet people as they arrive, dress our crib, and be our offertory procession. If you would like to be part of this contact. Pat Collier email—tchpat.collier@gmail.com



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