



# HEADS UP!

## We are Happy – Hari

This means that we will follow in the footsteps of Jesus like Saint Mary MacKillop and

*"Find happiness in making others happy."*

*I am thankful for the happiness I feel inside and the gifts God has given me. I choose ways to make others happy. I enjoy my work and play.*

*"I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you"*  
*John 15:11-12*

*Jesus' Last Supper discourse to his Disciples (John, Chapters 13-17)*

**Friday 24 April**  
**Kia ora koutou**

## OUR FAITH

### Easter Alleluia Mass

On Wednesday we had a wonderful celebration of the Easter season with a special mass. It was great to see so many family members and parishioners there.

The theme was: Easter Alleluia – Jesus is Risen.  
We identify as Easter People who have been baptised and called to serve.

The learning intentions for the children were:

- To understand the significance of the Easter Season in the Liturgical year.
- To know that it is a time of celebration, that Jesus is Risen, God has created New Life in us.
- To know about the different parts of the mass and learn the responses

For the offertory procession children brought up some of the different symbols to do with Easter.



## OUR LEARNING

### **Changes to assessment and reporting**

This year, reports will reflect the new curriculum progress descriptors.

For individual students at each year level teachers will use data and observations to make informed decisions to select from the following progress descriptors in key curriculum areas:

- Emerging
- Developing
- Consolidation
- Proficient
- Exceeded

Going forward reports will also include:

- a visual representation of progress over time,
- a narrative describing why progress descriptors were selected and information for parents and whanau about how they can support next learning steps,
- assessment results from specific assessments such as the Phonics Check or twice-yearly assessments for Years 3–8 i.e. SMART, e-asTTle, PAT,
- an attendance record. This could be a simple count or percentage of days attended, or more complex information.

For more information, see the parent portal guide to your child's reporting and progress:

<https://www.education.govt.nz/parents-and-caregivers/schools-year-0-13/parent-portal/guide-your-childs-reporting-and-progress>

### **SMART tool**

<https://www.education.govt.nz/parents-and-caregivers/schools-year-0-13/parent-portal/guide-smart-new-assessment-tool-your-child>

This term we are introducing the new Ministry of Education SMART tool assessment for Year 3-6 students. See the link above for more information. Teachers will allow time before the assessments are administered for students to familiarise themselves with the tool.

### **Winter Sports**

With winter sports underway it is great that Active are promoting the importance of respect on the sidelines with the **Love their Game** promotion.

<https://www.lovetheirgame.org.nz/#why-it-matters>

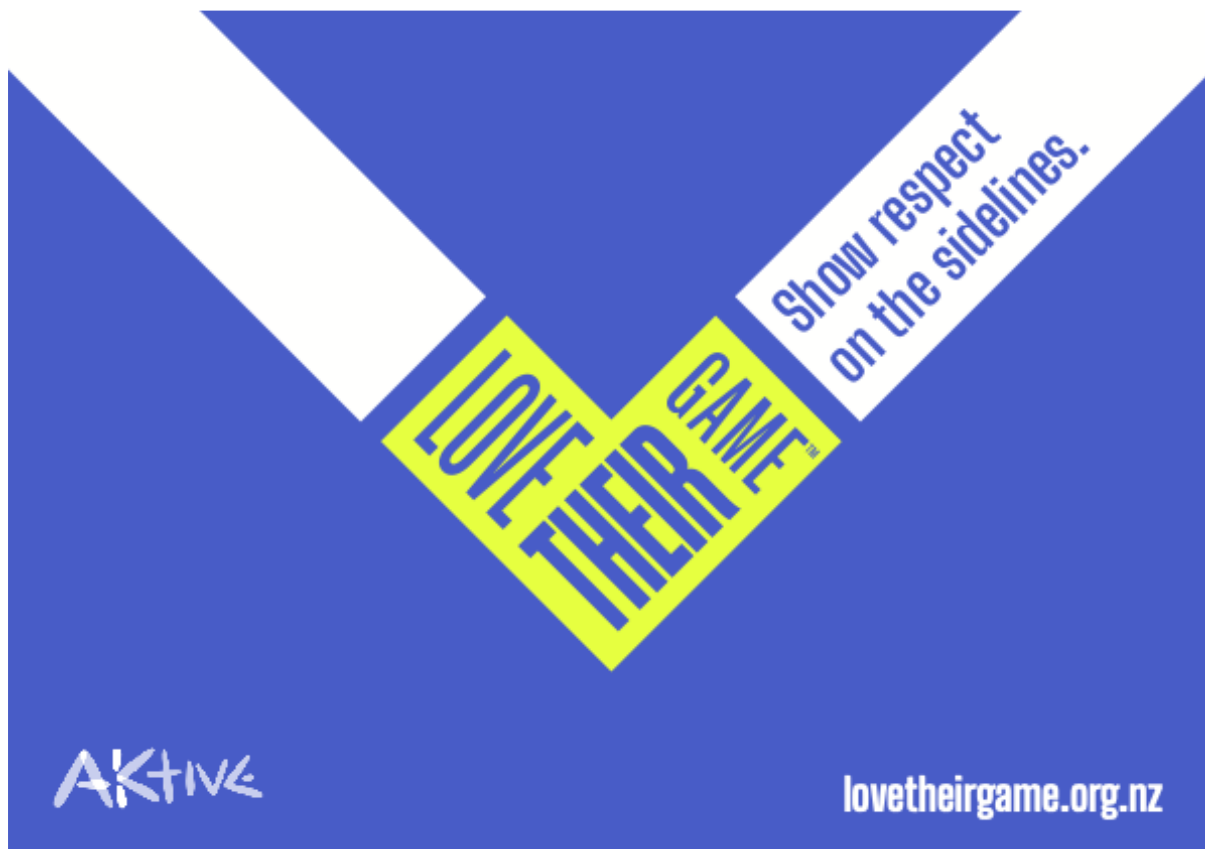
***Sadly 50% of kids who play sport stop at age 11. Poor sideline behaviour is a key contributor to it.***

Some recent research: <https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/sports-and-active-living/articles/10.3389/fspor.2023.1292812/full>

Children get **far more enjoyment** from playing sport when a parent is present, encouraging, and supportive. Such behaviours also help build a child's self-esteem, and improve their life skills and wellbeing.

1. Be a positive role model for your child – be courteous and respectful to coaches, referees, players, and spectators.
2. Avoid shouting instructions – unless you are an official coach, focus on words of encouragement. Don't 'coach the coach'.
3. Keep comments about your child and others positive – whether you're at the sporting field, on the car ride home, or at home, don't bad mouth other players, parents, coaches, or game officials.
4. Prioritise having fun – remember, children want to play sport to have fun and socialise. Winning isn't everything. Have fun yourself, and help your child enjoy sport by creating positive memories.

It's all about one of our key school values – RESPECT.



## OUR PEOPLE

### Welcome

Today we welcomed the following new staff members with a mihi whakatau:

- Mr Lance Pope, Year 5 & 6 teacher and Waihanga Learning Community Leader
- Ms Chantal Selby teaching in Manawanui
- Mr Orlando Lima – Learning Assistant
- Mrs Aveshni Govender - Learning Assistant

We also welcomed new students and their whānau who joined us recently or will begin in the middle of this term. This included Eike Bertussi Cardoso, Maeve Hogan and Lia le Riche who started in Manawanui learning space on Monday.

### Friends and Family Update



Congratulations to Patrick Coll from Mahaki who was the winner of the Easter raffle.

There are still a few tickets available for Ladies Night:

### Ladies Night at the Movies – April ‘Friends and Family’ Fundraiser!

Join us for a fun, feel-good ladies’ night out at a special screening of the *Devil Wears Prada 2* at Hoyts Mission Bay.

- 🌟 **Thursday, April 30th** (opening night!)
- 🌟 **Ticket collection 6:30pm** (movie starts at 7pm)
- 🌟 **Tickets: \$25 via myKindo**



## **Congratulations**

Well done to Clark Ashby on his recent success at the Auckland Waterfront Marathon where he won the 2km kids race for his age group.



## **OUR PLACE**

### **School Uniform**

For the first few weeks of this term children can wear either their active wear with sandals or winter uniform with regulation shoes and socks.

The expectation is that by the week after Kings Birthday everyone is in their winter uniform. We do not have a regulation raincoat as part of our uniform. However, if it is raining your child can wear whatever raincoat they have. If you need to purchase one, dark or navy would work. The school jackets which are showerproof can be purchased from the school office.

Please remember to label all items of clothing and other belongings. If you use Precious Labels, a small percentage comes back to the school.

Use this URL: <https://preciouslabels.co.nz/?ref=STIGNATIUSCATHOLICSCHOOL>

### **Playgrounds before and after school**

A reminder that children should not be playing on the adventure playgrounds before school. After school, they need to be supervised by caregivers and they must stay on their allocated playgrounds. Yrs 0-3 on the Junior Playground and Yrs 4-6 on the Senior Playground.

Have a lovely Anzac weekend everyone.

Anzac prayer for families:

*Dear God, thank you for the peace and freedom we enjoy today,  
won for us by the courage of others.*

*We remember those who served and those who did not return.  
May we honour them by being kind and working for a better  
world.*

**Amen.**



Ngā manaakitanga

Jane Penney

Principal – Tumuaki

## OUR CALENDAR

*Note: for the most up to date information check the calendar on our website  
<https://www.stignatius.school.nz/>*

**TERM 2, 2026**

### **Week 2 Te Waipuna Collection – Rangitoto Hapu – Mrs Barrington and Mrs Pillay's kaitiaki**

<i>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April</i>	Public Holiday for Anzac Day
<i>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April</i>	Waitematā Hapu Mass (Mrs Wright, Ms Selby and Miss Webb's kaitiaki groups)
<i>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April</i>	Ladies Night F & F fundraiser
<i>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May</i>	F & F Pizza Lunch

### **Week 3 Te Waipuna Collection – Tamaki Hapu – Mr Peck, Mrs Wells and Mrs Jones' kaitiaki**

<i>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May</i>	Kohimarama Hapu Mass (Mr Pope and Mrs Lundy's Hapu groups)
<i>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May</i>	Whole School Assembly – Timatanga to lead prayer
<i>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May</i>	F & F Friday Freeze iceblock sale after school
<i>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May</i>	Mothers Day

### **Week 4 Te Waipuna Collection – Kohimarama Hapu – Mr Pope and Mrs Lundy's kaitiaki**

Health Education week – Life Education	
<i>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May</i>	Bay Suburbs Football – Glover Park
<i>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May</i>	School Board meeting

### **Week 5 Te Waipuna Collection – Waitematā Hapu – Mrs Wright, Ms Selby and Miss Webb's kaitiaki**

<i>Wednesday 20 May</i>	Tamaki Hapu Mass (Mr Peck, Mrs Wells & Mrs Jones' kaitiaki groups)
<i>Friday 22nd May</i>	F & F Pizza lunch
<i>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May</i>	Pentecost Sunday

**2026 Term dates:**

**Term 1** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

**Term 2** Monday 20 April – Friday July 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Term 3** Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September

**Term 4** Monday October 12<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday December 15<sup>th</sup>



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L A B E L S**  
tag 'em all!

# FUNDraising

**Cute, Colourful and Durable Labels**

**Join our Fundraiser Programme**

**Follow the steps below to participate in our fundraiser**

- 1** Go to <https://preciouslabels.co.nz/?ref=STIGNATIUSCATHOLICSCHOOL>
- 2** Choose your label pack
- 3** Go to Checkout  
(Enter your School's name in the 'Notes' box on the Checkout page)
- 4** See the 'Fundraiser' tab on the website for more info

**Thankyou for your support !**

**20% of your purchase will go to our school**

**Don't forget to spread the word!  
Foward this website url to your family and friends!**

**Questions?**

**Please email us at - [info@preciouslabels.co.nz](mailto:info@preciouslabels.co.nz)**

[www.preciouslabels.co.nz](http://www.preciouslabels.co.nz) 09 3930093

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# Weekend & After School

## NETBALL SKILLS CLINICS



Looking for opportunities for your child to play netball outside of school? Join our 6 week programme with netball skills and match play. Individual registrations, open to boys & girls.

### After-School Clinics:

**St Johns**  
Monday afternoons  
Years 1-8  
11 May - 22 Jun 2026

*\*No programme 1st June due to King's Birthday*

**Windmill Park**  
Tuesday afternoons  
Years 1-8  
19 May - 23 Jun 2026



### Weekend Clinics:

**St Johns**  
Sunday afternoons  
Years 1-8  
17 May - 28 Jun 2026



For more information please contact:

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# Umpiring Courses



## Junior Netball 6v6 Umpiring courses!

### DATES:

#### St Johns

Wednesday 29th April

4pm - 7pm

Monday 25th May

4pm - 7pm

#### Windmill Park

Tuesday 12th May

4pm - 7pm

## 7v7 Umpiring courses

### DATES:

#### St Johns

Monday 18th May

4pm - 7pm

#### Windmill Park

Thursday 7th May

4pm - 7pm



Visit our website for more information and to register

Scan the QR code carefully and ensure it directs to Auckland Netball's official website

[www.aucklandnetball.co.nz](http://www.aucklandnetball.co.nz)

Beware of scams - Auckland Netball will never request sensitive information or payments via unofficial links.



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**ST IGNATIUS CHURCH**

# MARKET DAY!

**Sunday 3rd May**

**After 9:00am Mass**

**— St Ignatius Church Grounds —**

*Come along and enjoy a great morning supporting your community!*

## Tasty Food & Treats:

- **Smash 'n Grab Burgers**  
by SMASH 'N GRAB BURGERS
- Keke Bites
- Fresh Bagels
- Popcorn
- And More!

 **20%** of all profits go towards the **Christmas Hamper Drive**

**BRING CASH & SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES!**

*Bring your friends and family - we'd love to see you there!*

**Buy our Smash 'n Grab Smash Burgers!**

