



We are Respectful – Whakanui

This means that we will follow in the footsteps of Jesus like Saint Mary MacKillop and
'Be gentle and kind to one another'

I am respectful. I treat others and myself as we deserve to be treated.

I show courtesy to everyone. I learn from the wisdom of my others.

"Dear children let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth" 1 John 3:18

Jesus' Sermon on the Mount (Matthew, Chapters 5-7)

Thursday 3rd September
Kia ora koutou

OUR FAITH

Cultural Day

Last week we had a colourful celebration of all the different cultures in our school with a special mass that included prayers of the faithful in 11 different languages.

This was followed by a special morning tea which was attended by the whole school community including whānau and parishioners.

We collected donations amounting to just over \$230 for the UNICEF Children of Columbia appeal.





Year 6 students had Seminararian Bob pop into class. They loved learning a new song and hearing about his Tongan heritage, the perfect addition to a week focused on culture, togetherness and faith.

OUR LEARNING

Kiwi Competitions

We had 21 Year 5 & 6 students who took part in the Kiwi Competitions this year, challenging themselves in English, Mathematics and Science. These competitions provide an opportunity for students to extend their thinking, apply their knowledge in new and challenging ways, and see how their learning compares with students from across New Zealand.

A huge congratulations to all of our participants for their hard work, perseverance and willingness to give something challenging a go. We are especially proud of our students who achieved top results in their respective competitions, a fantastic achievement and one that reflects their commitment to learning.

Achieving Merit in English: Clark Coakley, Allison Goh, Jones Sullivan

Achieving Excellence in English: Nina Osorio

Achieving Merit in Maths: Allison Goh, Jones Sullivan

Achieving Excellence in Maths: Timothy Sharp

Achieving Merit in Science: Clark Coakley, Gabriel Bird, Jones Sullivan, Thomas Radich, Seybal Sheikh

Achieving Excellence in Science: Allison Goh, Dylan Hayden,

(Merit is within the top 25%, Excellence is within the top 9.5%)

Maths

An interactive Maths practice tool for students in Years 3 to 8 is now available on the Parent Portal. [Maths practice \(education.govt.nz\)](https://parentportal.education.govt.nz)

The practice tool content supports the New Zealand Curriculum and includes number problems, working with money, counting, multiplying and dividing, fractions, decimals, percentages, ratios, powers and roots. This is an opportunity for students to practice and it will help reinforce what they have learnt at school.

Just by spending a few minutes e.g. 10-15 minutes 3-5 times a week, encouraging effort, and celebrating progress you can help build confidence and the skills children need to thrive in maths.



Bay Suburbs Cross Country

Bay Suburbs Cross Country was held last Monday. Our tamariki were fired up to challenge themselves on a new Churchill Park course and take on their friends from other schools. The support they gave each other was heartening to see, lining the course to cheer others on!

Thank you to our amazing parent helpers and especially Zach Hills for marshalling on the course. We can't attend these events without you!

We had some great results below. For context, there are about 55 runners in each race. Congratulations to our individual top 10 place getters.

Year 6

4th - Ivy Duncan

4th - Tom Burt

Year 5

10th - Kingston Hyslop

Year 4

11th - Paige Webb-Higgs

Information about the Catholic Schools Cross Country (we are defending Champions!) will be sent out soon, to the qualifying top 5 Year 3-6 students from our St Ignatius Cross Country

OUR PEOPLE

Welcome

A big welcome to Dion Fisher-Harris who joined Humarika learning space last week.

Last week we also welcomed Mrs Catherine Manton to the school who will be working with lots of different children across different year levels. She has come back to New Zealand after teaching in Italy for many years.

Condolences

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Kirrane family following the recent death of Benjamin's great grandfather.

OUR PLACE

Policy Review

This term we are reviewing the following school policies:

- School Community Engagement Policy
- Inclusive School Culture
- Enrolment
- Student Attendance
- Concerns and Complaints Policy
- Student Uniform/Student Dress

If you would like to provide feedback on any of these policies please go to School Docs <https://www.schooldocs.co.nz/login>

Choose our school from the dropdown menu and add:

- Username: stignatius
- Password: stheliers

Then click on Current Review to read the policies and click on the review button to add your feedback.

Have a lovely weekend everyone and Happy Fathers' Day to all the dads!

Jane Penney
Principal – Tumuaki

OUR CALENDAR	
<i>Note: for the most up to date information check the calendar on our website https://www.stignatius.school.nz/</i>	
TERM 3, 2026	
Week 8 Te Waipuna Collection - Tāmaki Hapu for kaitiaki of Mrs Jackson Mrs Wells & Mrs Jones	
Social Justice Week & Dance Curriculum Week	
<i>Tuesday 8th September</i>	Bay Suburbs Basketball
<i>Thursday 10th September</i>	Catholic Schools Cross Country
<i>Thursday 10th September</i>	Auckland Gymnastics Champion of Champions
<i>Thursday 10th September</i>	School Board meeting 7pm
<i>Friday 11th September</i>	Dance Curriculum Showcase 2pm
Week 9 Te Waipuna Collection - Kohimarama Hapu for kaitiaki of Mr Pope and Mrs Lundy	
Māori Language Week	
<i>Wednesday 16th September</i>	Tamaki Hapu Mass
<i>Thursday 17th September</i>	Year 4 Kapa Haka sharing
<i>Friday 18th September</i>	Whole school Assembly 9am
<i>Friday 18th September</i>	Cans for Christmas Collection
<i>Friday 18th September</i>	Friends and Family Pizza Lunch
Week 10 Te Waipuna Collection - Waitematā Hapu for kaitiaki of Mrs Wright, Miss Webb & Ms Selby	
<i>Monday 21st September</i>	Bay Suburbs Hockey
<i>Friday 25th September</i>	Art Exhibition 7.30am – 9.30am
<i>Friday 25th September</i>	Last day of Term 3
2026 Term dates: Term 3 Monday 20 th July – Friday 25 th September Teacher Only Days: Monday 17 th August, Friday 4 th September Term 4 Monday October 12 th – Tuesday December 15 th	

Winter wellness

Free online GP consultations available for tamariki aged 13 years and under

With lots of winter illnesses about right now, health services are experiencing very high demand. If you need to speak to a GP and can't get in to your usual doctor or it's after hours, Online GP provides a great option for accessing safe and quick care.

The service is available from anywhere in the country, anytime day or night, and is now free for all under-14s. Appointments usually take place through a video app or a phone call, and the service can prescribe medicine and send prescriptions to your nearest pharmacy.

To learn more visit Online GP Care:

<https://www.healthnz.govt.nz/online-gp-care>

Cricket came to St Ignatius School!

Auckland University Cricket Club (AUCC) visited St. Ignatius School to run a fun and engaging cricket session for our students.

Students had the opportunity to take part in a range of cricket activities, including batting, bowling, catching, and fielding, delivered by our friendly AUCC coaches.

If your child enjoyed the sessions and would like to continue playing cricket, registrations for the upcoming summer season are now open.

The club is located at:

Colin Maiden Park
71-73 Merton Road
Saint Johns

Students received an AUCC flyer to take home with more information about the club.

Find out more and register:

www.aucc.co.nz





SUBURBS IN SCHOOLS

ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St Ignatius Catholic School is excited to offer an Eastern Suburbs AFC after-school football programme.

A fun, age-appropriate programme focused on building fundamental football skills, athletic development and teamwork.

Wednesdays, 3:00 - 4:00pm
St Ignatius Catholic School
October 14 - December 9

**REGISTER ONLINE
FOR TERM FOUR**



easternsuburbs.org.nz/community/suburbs-in-schools/



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Volleyball
for Years
5 to 10

Coaching
& Games

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✓ Movement
✓ Teamwork
✓ Skills



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www.sporty.co.nz/orakeijuniorvolleyball





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