

FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2026

KIA ORA KOUTOU KATOA WELCOME BACK TO TERM 4!

OUR VALUES - TERM 4 FOCUS

We are RESPONSIBLE - TAKOHANGA

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

'Do all we can to assist and love one another.'

'Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another'

John 13: 34-35 • The Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37)

OUR FAITH

Mission Sunday

Here is a link to the video message from Pope Leo XIV on the 100th Anniversary of World Mission Sunday.

<https://youtu.be/AnmHDEvLyB4>

This year's theme is "Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples." To find out more about Mission Sunday and the Pontifical Mission Societies go to <https://missio.nz/>



OUR LEARNING

Term 4 Learning

This week you have been emailed the Term Overviews for the Learning Communities, either Timatanga (Year 0-3) or Waihanganga (Year 4-6).

If you have any questions, please email your child's teacher.

Note that swimming takes place in Weeks 3 & 4. More information will be emailed out to you soon.

OUR LEARNING

Art Exhibition

The beautiful sunshine provided a perfect setting for our Art Exhibition on the final day of Term 3.

It was wonderful to see so many parents, grandparents and friends enjoying the children's amazing artwork. Thank you to the staff and the Friends & Family team who spent many hours preparing for the event, and well done to all the children who shared their art.

Congratulations to Penny and Jones Sullivan who are the joint winners of the child Artist in Residence.

If you missed the exhibition, a selection of artwork is now on display in the school office for you to enjoy. There are still spare brochures available for sale from the office for \$5.



Bay Suburbs Hockey

A huge well done to our three hockey teams, The Saints, The Angels and The Sliders, who performed exceptionally well on the day! It was fantastic to see the effort, skill, determination and teamwork shown by all our players. Most importantly, the day was filled with happiness, laughter and joy, as everyone gave their best, supported one another and enjoyed the experience. We are incredibly proud of the way our students represented our school, showing respect and our school values! Ka pai, Saints, Angels and Sliders!

We wouldn't have been able to do this without the support of our wonderful parent community. Thank you to Stuart Bird (a hockey wizz), Rebecca Richardson and Nargis Hovik who helped to take the teams on the day. Also to our parents that assisted with getting us to Lloyd Elsmore and back - Amy Greenhalgh, Samantha Ryan, Stuart Bird, Rebecca Richardson and Nargis Hovik.

You were all so amazing! Thank you.



OUR PEOPLE

Welcome

This week we welcomed the following children who started school learning in Humarika with Mrs Ryan;

Marcos Bueno Russell, Freddie Byrne, Kyra Colgan, Leon Fautuaali'i Taia, Henry Moreton, Mammoth Rika-Hori Fusitua, Asher Ranaweera & Finn Shaw. It was great to have a special whakatau to help welcome them and their families today.

We also officially welcomed Mrs Dianna Cramer who is teaching in Manawanui this term together with Mrs Catherine Manton who is working 5 days a week as a LAT (Limited Authority to teach). Catherine has many years' experience teaching in Italy and next year will be training to become a NZ registered teacher. We are grateful for her expertise and ability to relieve when other teachers are away.

OUR PLACE

Centenary Celebrations 2027

Planning is underway for our Centenary events next year! It will be a wonderful opportunity for us to celebrate the last 100 years in our school, all of our history and the connections that we have to the past.

We're excited to bring our school community together both past and present to celebration this very special milestone together.

If you or anyone you know would like to find out more and are keen to be kept in the loop of the Centenary celebrations and events, please [click here](#) or jump onto our [website](#)



School Photos

These will be sent home with your child on Monday.

Uniform

A reminder that after Labour Weekend everyone is expected to be in summer uniform. The summer uniform is the same as winter but with black sandals instead of shoes. Alternatively active wear with sandals can also be worn.

Hats are compulsory in Term 4 and can be purchased from the office for \$20.

The Friends and Family will hold another new and second hand uniform sale in the next holidays and are now collecting donations of used uniforms. Please bring them to the office.

Kia pai ō rā whakatā

Have a great weekend everyone,

Jane Penney

Principal - Tumuaki



CALENDAR

TERM 4, 2026

For the most up to date information click [here](#).

Week 2 Te Waipuna Collection - Tamaki Hapu - kaitiaki of Mrs Wells, Mrs Jackson, Mrs Jones	
<i>Sunday 18th October</i>	Mission Sunday
<i>Monday 19th October</i>	ERO Evaluation partners visiting
<i>Thursday 22nd October</i>	Friends & Family meeting 7pm
Week 3 Te Waipuna Collection - Kohimarama Hapu - kaitiaki of Mr Pope, Mrs Lundy	
<i>Monday 26 October</i>	Labour Day Holiday
<i>Tuesday 27 October</i>	Swimming at Swimtastic begins for the week
Week 4 Te Waipuna Collection – Waitematā Hapu - kaitiaki of Mrs Wright, Miss Webb and Mrs Cramer	
<i>Sunday 1st November</i>	All Saints Day
<i>Monday 2nd November</i>	All Souls Day
<i>Monday 2nd November</i>	Swimming at Swimtastic
<i>Thursday 5th November</i>	Strategic Plan consultation meeting 6pm – all welcome
<i>Thursday 5th November</i>	School Board meeting 7pm
Week 5 Te Waipuna Collection - Rangitoto Hapu - kaitiaki of Mrs Pillay, Mrs Barrington and Ms Ryan	
<i>Wednesday 11th November</i>	Tamaki Hapu Mass
<i>Wednesday 11th November</i>	Bay Suburbs Touch Rugby
<i>Friday 13th November</i>	Timatanga team Assembly 9am
<i>Saturday 14th November</i>	Kapa Haka festival at Ruapōtaka Marae
Week 6 Te Waipuna Collection - Tamaki Hapu - kaitiaki of Mrs Wells, Mrs Jackson, Mrs Jones	
<i>Tuesday 17th November</i>	Bay Suburbs Athletics
<i>Wednesday 18th November</i>	Waitematā Hapu Mass
<i>Friday 20th November</i>	Waihanga team Assembly 9am

TERM DATES

2026 Term Dates

Monday October 12th - Tuesday December 15th (School finishes at 12pm)

2027 Term Dates

Term 1: Tuesday 2nd February – Friday 9th April

School closed for the following public & school holidays:

- Waitangi Day observation - Monday 8 February
- Good Friday - 26th March
- Easter Monday - 29th March
- Easter Tuesday - 30th March

Term 2: Tuesday 27 April - Friday 2nd July

- Monday 7th June - Kings Birthday
- Friday 25th June - Matariki

Term 3: Monday 19 July - Friday 24th September

Term 4: Monday 11th October - TBC

- Monday 25th October - Labour Day

COMMUNITY NOTICES

St Ignatius Parish Christmas Hamper Project 2026

St Ignatius Parish's annual Christmas Hamper Project helps support families in our community at Christmas. It's also a wonderful opportunity to share our blessings and show our children the value of helping others.

Truck needed for grocery collection

We're looking for someone with access to a truck fitted with a tail lift to help collect groceries from Glen Innes Pak'nSave and deliver them to the Parish Centre on the morning of **Saturday 28 November**. If you can help, please email annamradich@gmail.com.

Hamper packing day – Sunday 29 November

We'll be packing hampers after 9.00am Mass at St Ignatius. Please save the date if you'd like to lend a hand.

Donations welcome

Each hamper costs approximately \$120. Donations can be made to:

Account name: St Ignatius St Heliers Bay

Account number: 02-0108-0707227-003

Reference: Xmas Hampers Donation

Christmas wrapping paper needed

We're still collecting Christmas wrapping paper to wrap the hampers. Donations can be left at the back of St Ignatius Church.

Thank you for supporting this important parish initiative and helping bring a little extra Christmas joy to families in our community.

*"He spoke in front of the whole school!,
He never would have done that before."*

James' (9) Mum

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acting
communication skills

positive body language
storytelling
relationship building
self belief
conversation skills

St Ignatius School lessons begin in term 4 on Thursday 15 October

- Thursdays 8.00am – 8.50am

8 lessons in the term

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Term fees are \$278 for group class

If you have any question please email shine@shine.school.nz.

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The poster features a large white circle on a dark blue background. Inside the circle, the text 'Orakei Junior Volleyball' is written in a playful, multi-colored font. To the right of the circle, there are two overlapping circles: a light blue one containing the text 'Volleyball for Years 5 to 10' and a yellow one containing 'Coaching & Games'. Below the main title, there is a white circle containing a list of benefits: '✓ Fun', '✓ Movement', '✓ Teamwork', and '✓ Skills'. To the right of this circle is a colorful illustration of five stylized figures in various colors (yellow, red, purple, blue, green) performing volleyball actions like jumping and hitting a ball. Below the illustration are several colorful balls (yellow, green, purple, blue, red). At the bottom of the poster, there is a paragraph of text, a website URL, and a QR code.

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Coaching & Games

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✓ Movement
✓ Teamwork
✓ Skills

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www.sporty.co.nz/orakeijuniorvolleyball

