



The Aubert Oracle



Suzanne Aubert
Catholic School
Engage - Inspire - Empower Through Christ

FRIDAY 30TH JULY 2021

Message from our Principal - Tumuaki

Tena koutou katoa whānau. Nau mai haere mai ki te Hata Meri Hōhepa - te Kura Katorika o Papamoa. It has been wonderful to reconnect with our learners and whānau over this first week of term. It has also been a privilege to welcome our seven new learners to the Hikurangi team this week.

KAITIAKITANGA

This term our learning focus is 'Kaitiakitanga'. The verb 'tiaki' means to guard, protect and conserve. The prefix 'kai' converts this to a noun and indicates a 'guardian' or 'steward'. Adding the suffix 'tanga' symbolises the concept of 'guardianship'. This term our learners are exploring how they can be kaitiaki of our natural physical environment and are learning about planting, ecosystems, native flora and fauna and some of the issues we face in the future of our environment such as climate change.

TOKYO OLYMPICS

It has been exciting to see our New Zealand athletes compete in the Tokyo Olympics this week. Amidst the uncertainty of a worldwide Covid pandemic, it has been heartwarming to see nations coming together through the context of sport. There are many life lessons to be learned through sport and I have seen a range of examples where athletes have demonstrated our Learning Principles (7 C's), particularly courage, compassion and collaboration. What a wonderful example these athletes provide for our learners. This term our tamariki are using the context of the Olympics to carry out statistical investigations in maths and are developing their skills across a range of Olympic sporting events in physical education.

Please enjoy this pānui of learning at Suzanne Aubert Catholic School. Wishing you all a blessed and joyful weekend.

Anthony Mills
Principal - Tumuaki

Grandparents & Grandfriends' Day

On Monday we celebrated the Feast of St Joachim and St Anne (Jesus' grandparents). Next Tuesday we will be celebrating Grandparents and Grandfriends Day as a way to commemorate this feast day. This is an opportunity to connect with our whānau and tīpuna who are special in our lives and who provide an example of wisdom, sacrifice and love for our families. All grandparents and grandfriends are warmly invited to join us. Details are below:

When: Tuesday 3rd August

Where: Kawakawa Hub

Time: 9:00am

Our tamariki are excited to host our grandparents and share learning, performances and special memories. Looking forward to seeing you there!



Haere Mai to our Newest Learners

We are very excited to welcome 7 new learners into our Suzanne Aubert Whānau. We have 6 New Entrants - Ella Cartwright, Amariah Tappin, Jack Chapman, Paddy Witton-Harvey, Isla Burtton and Romeo Uhlmann. We also welcome Kayley Badenhorst who has joined us from Papamoa Primary.



Term 3 Key Dates:

- **Grandparent's Day:** Tuesday 3rd August
- **Whānau Learning Hui:** Tuesday 3 August, Wednesday 4 August, Tuesday 10 August
- **Y4-6 Music Festival Rehearsal at Tauranga Intermediate:** Friday 13 August
- **Y4-6 Music Festival Rehearsal & Performance at Baycourt:** Friday 27 August
- **School Disco on Ice (more info to come!):** Tuesday 21 Sept (5-8pm)
- **Last Day of Term 3:** Friday 1 October

 **SCHOLASTIC**

Book Club



Scholastic Book brochures have gone home with our learners this week. Orders need to be submitted by **Friday 13th August**. If you would like to order a book for your child, we encourage you to use the Scholastic Loop system to do so. This will link your order electronically to our school and books will be handed out at school as per normal. Alternatively, you can pay by returning the order and cash amount to the school office.

Scrunchies for Sale!

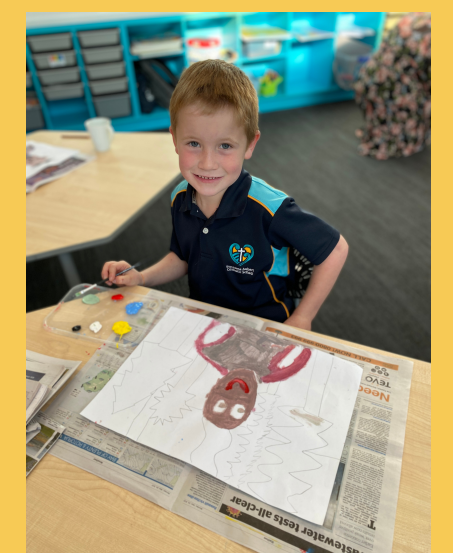
We have scrunchies for sale in the school office! These are beautifully hand made in our school colours in stripe or polka dot patterns (see right). All proceeds are going towards helping support a local family with their child's ongoing health condition. They are excellent quality and cost \$5 for one or \$8 for two



Communicating Learning

Progress Reports and Learning Hui

At Suzanne Aubert Catholic School, we communicate to whānau about learning progress and achievement in a variety of ways including progress reports, learning stories, learning hui and learning celebrations. This week you received access to your child's mid-year learning report which outlines information about progress in reading, writing and maths and how your child is demonstrating our Principles of Learning and Living (7C's). These were sent via our Hero app. If you have had any technical issues with accessing these, please notify Maria in the office. To support these learning progress reports, we are also hosting Learning Hui with whānau in week 2-3. This is an opportunity for you to meet with your child's Kaiako to go deeper in a learning conversation regarding this progress. To book a time, please follow the instructions below:



- 1) Click on the link to School Interviews [here](#)
- 2) Enter the code: 968j4
- 3) Enter your details
- 4) Select your child and the date and time for your hui.

School Policies and Procedures

Policies and Procedures are important foundation documents to guide the governance, management and operations of a school. At Suzanne Aubert, we use SchoolDocs as a portal to host these policies and procedures. These documents are for the Board, staff and school community. Our policies and procedures were developed during foundation in 2020 by the Establishment Board of Trustees and Leadership team. These documents are based on current legislation and Ministry of Education expectations. Over time, these policies and procedures require review to respond to changes in the needs of our learners, staff and school community. To access our school policies and procedures please follow these instructions:

- 1) Click on the link to School Docs [here](#)
- 2) Search for Suzanne Aubert Catholic School
- 3) Enter the username: suzanneaubert and password: empower

Please spend some time reading our policies and becoming familiar with them.

Feedback

Our school community have an opportunity to provide general feedback about these policies at any time by clicking the green speech bubble icon. This sends your feedback through to the school leadership team for review by the Board.



Policy Review

Additionally, there is a review cycle for specific policies every term. This appears in the 'Current Review' tab along the top menu bar. To provide feedback about policies within a review cycle, click the red magnifying glass icon and follow the instructions for adding your feedback. This data is sent through to the leadership team and Board for subsequent review.



Special Catholic Character

A Message from our Director of Religious Studies

Feast Day of St Anne and St Joachim - 26 July
Jesus' Grandparents



We began this term with the Feast of Saint Anne and Saint Joachim. These wonderful role models were the Mother and Father of Mary and so were the Grandparents of Jesus. They are the Patron Saints of Grandparents and their story is an inspiration for us. They were ordinary people with ordinary care and worries but through their lives and actions have become recognised as Saints. They lived a comfortable life together in Nazareth but struggled to have a child. This was a sadness and worry for them both. However they let their faith guide them with prayer and contemplation. An Angel visited both in a vision and showed that they would have a child and that child would be Mary. As with all the Saints they inspire us with their Faith and lives to be closer to Jesus and live in a way more like him.

The term started with a Liturgy to remember them and identify the importance of bonds and connections with whānau and tīpuna. We will continue this next week with the Grandparents and Grandfriends Liturgy and Celebration on Tuesday morning.

Explore at Home:

To celebrate the Feast of St Anne and St Joachim perhaps spend some time writing a letter or making a call to the Grandparents in your life to acknowledge how much they mean to you and how you appreciate them. Perhaps you could try including their photos in family prayer time.

Mass:

A reminder that every Saturday there is a vigil Mass held here at Suzanne Aubert in the Senior Hub. Mass starts at 5.15pm. It is a wonderful opportunity to join our growing faith community.

Caught with Compassion!

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge one of our learners Ian Doroftei. He has shown a wonderfully compassionate heart to his fellow learners this week. Ian was looking after our new learners when they were feeling a little lost and offering comfort when others were upset. What a great role model of our 7 Cs! Ka pai Ian!



Welcome to Our Parish Priests

Last week, Father Richard Laurenson and Father Matt Gibson took up their new positions as Parish Priests for the All Saints by the Sea Parish. They have been settling into to their new home at the presbytery at St Thomas More church. They will continue to lead Mass on our school site on Saturday evenings at 5:15pm. We will officially be welcoming our new priests as a school community in due course. If you see them in the meantime, please introduce yourself and make them feel welcome!



We have extra play space!

You would have noticed there has been a lot of action with landscaping over the holidays and this first week of term. The contractors have been busy completing the residential boundary fencing and digging the new V-drains around the perimeter of our sports field. This has provided us with extra green space behind the Harakeke Hub for our learners to play! The remaining area of the sportsfield still requires further work to ensure it meets the health and safety requirements for a sports turf before handover. The contractors are currently working through these expectations.



ARE YOU READY FOR 'THE SEARCH'?

not to be missed!!

Explore beautiful mysteries. The Search is an innovative video series that tackles the key questions of every human heart. Seven beautifully filmed episodes to be screened here at Suzanne Aubert School on Thursday evenings beginning on **THURSDAY 5TH AUGUST** at 7:00PM.

Parents/Caregivers come and gather together and meet new people, share in refreshments and watch a 30 min film.

Watch the trailer at <http://player.vimeo.com/video/446879132>

Tauranga Music Festival

Our Year 4-6 learners have been busy preparing for the annual Tauranga Primary School's Music Festival. They are part of a massed choir along with students from other local schools and will be performing at Baycourt theatre on the night of Friday 27th August from 7-9pm. This year's theme is 'Music from Aotearoa' so we are in for a night of classic kiwi music!



All Saints by the Sea

All Saints by the Sea Parish Weekly Mass Times

Please feel welcome to come along to our weekly Mass to celebrate with the Parish. Masses are held every:

Sunday at 9:30am and 5pm

St Thomas More Church

17 Gloucester Rd - Mount Maunganui

Saturday at 5:15pm

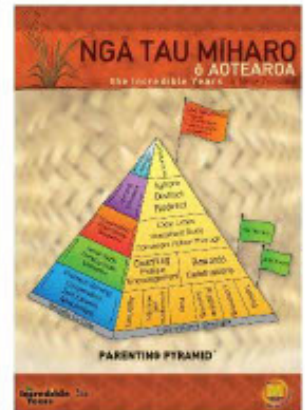
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Incredible Years Parenting Support

Please see the information below regarding opportunities to learn more about strengthening family relationships through the Incredible Years Parenting Support courses.

29 July 2021

*"Kia hiwa ra, kia hiwa ra"
He panui tenei ki a koutou nga matua, whanau whanui hoki
Haere mai haere mai haere mai
Haere mai ki te whakarongo ki te titiro ki nga mahi whakanui
Kei roto i te hotaka o Nga Tau Miharo hei awhina
hei whakapakari ai tatou katoa*



Tena koutou,

Thank you for your interest in attending the Incredible Years Parent Programme. We are pleased to advise that registrations are now open for these programmes in the Tauranga and Katikati areas.

The Incredible Years aims to strengthen relationships, develop social competence and reduce difficult and challenging behaviours in children. Programmes range from 14-16 weeks and will require a time commitment from parents / caregivers to attend each weekly session.

If you would like to register for one of the following programmes, please reply by email, or phone us on the contact details below specifying which 'Group No.' you would like to be registered for.

	Group No:	START DATE	TIME	VENUE	FACILITATED BY	Age Group
Day Time Programmes	1.	Wednesday 04 August	9.30 – 12.00pm	St Peters Church Spring Street, Tauranga	Suzanne and Lyn St Peters House	Pre-School 3 - 6 years
	2.	Thursday 05 August	9.30 - 12.00pm	Lifezone Church Oak Lane, Judea	Carole and Rosy MICAMHS & CDS	School – Age 6 -12 years
Evening Programmes	3.	Wednesday 04 August	6.00 – 8.30pm	MICAMHS Office Tauranga	Nadia and Monique MICAMHS	School - Age 6 - 12 years
	4.	Monday 09 August	6.00 – 8.30pm	Katikati Community Centre	Ruth and Marjorie Positive Families	Pre-School 3 – 8 years

Please note: These programmes are popular and fill up very quickly.

To register, please contact us on:

- Email: incredibleyears.referral@bopdhb.govt.nz
- Phone: 0800 333 061

When you contact us we will need to know your name, contact details and which group no: you would like to register for. Your details will then be passed onto your preferred provider who will make contact with you to discuss the programme further.

Your placement on the programme will be confirmed by the facilitator of the course prior to commencement.

Note: If you would like us to remove your contact details from our mailing list. Please let us know.