

The Aubert Oracle



Message from our Tumuaki

FRIDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2021



Be strong and courageous.
Do not be atraid: do not be
discouraged, for the Lord
your God will be with you
wherever you go.
Tohsua 1:9

Tena koutou katoa whānau. Nau mai haere mai ki te Hata Meri Hōhepa - te Kura Katorika o Papamoa.

Resilience: This is a word that is now widely used to describe a sense of strength and grit in the face of adversity. As a kura, resilience is often demonstrated by our learners through the principle of COURAGE. This has been particularly evident in the way our tamariki have responded to our recent lockdown and alert level changes. I am always impressed and extremely proud of how our learners at Suzanne Aubert show adaptability and flexibility in managing themselves in these uncertain times. This is a skill and mindset that will stand them in good stead as they prepare for an ever-changing future. An example of this is the way our akonga have adjusted to events being cancelled, Bubble School transitions, timetable changes and Alert Level restrictions. Kia kaha to our tamariki! While there has been some change, it has been heartening to celebrate learning and our return to school since lockdown with some recent highlights:

- Our ice skating disco at Golden Sands School
- Life Education learning about friendships
- Welcoming seven new learners to our whānau
- Celebrating our first Aubert Kid awards

Along with our learning programme, these events have brought a sense of joy and unity and positively supported the transition of our learners back to school.

Wishing you all a blessed and safe weekend. Ngā mihi nui Anthony Mills Principal - Tumuaki

Suzanne Aubert Feast Day

Next Friday 1st October is the Celebration Feast Day for Suzanne Aubert - Meri Hōhepa. This is the day set aside in the church to celebrate her life and her service towards others. It marks the 95th anniversary of her death and we want to celebrate this in a special way.

Mufti Day: Your children can come to school dressed in mufti. Please bring a gold coin. Money raised will go towards the Sisters of Compassion Soup Kitchen in Wellington. Click here to find out more about their mission and the work they do.

Sausage Sizzle & Iceblocks: We will be having a sausage sizzle at school during lunchtime. These cost \$2. Money raised will also go towards the Compassion Soup Kitchen. Ice-blocks will also be available.

Celebration Hui: During our Celebration Hui we will also be honouring Suzanne Aubert through prayer and liturgy. Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions on gatherings, we will be unable to invite parents and whānau to this Hui.

Compassion is making a deep space for others in your heart.

Suzanne Aubert



Ice Skating Disco

privileged We were to celebrate our very first school 'Disco on Ice' this week hosted at Golden Sands School. The music was pumping, the lights were flashing and our learners had an awesome time showing off their ice skating skills! It was such a joy to see our parents and tamariki skating together and having plenty of fun. Thanks very much to Robin de Goeij from Ice Skate Tours for your organisation and Golden Sands School for the generous invitation and hosting us at your kura.









The Aubert Kid Awards

Last Friday afternoon's Celebration Hui, was the inaugural presentation of The Aubert Kid Awards. At each Celebration Hui, these are awarded to the learners who demonstrate our Living and Learning Principles (the 7Cs). The recipients of the awards this week were Saige Silbery, Sophia Finch, Amelia Chooi, Daniel Watson, Penny Nicolaas, Amariah Tappin, Clay Macazo and Tui-May Blackburn. On the last day of term, all learners who have received an 'Aubert Kid' award will join our staff for shared morning tea as a celebration of their achievement.







Haere Mai to our New Learners

Following our move back to Alert Level 2 in the Bay of Plenty, we were excited to welcome seven new learners into our Suzanne Aubert Whānau. On Monday 13th September we had Luke Dowle start in the 'Nest', Levi Littler in Miss McPherson's Whānau class and Jaedyn Dean and Jarvis Peterson join Miss Rood's Whānau. We also welcomed Morgan and Robyn Scallan fresh from Wales in the United Kingdom. Morgan is in Year 3 with Miss Rood and Robyn is Year 1 with Mrs James. Then on Monday 20th September, Bruno Norman, Felipe's younger brother, also joined the Kawakawa Hub. We are delighted to have so many new tamariki join our learning community. Welcome to the whānau!

















Seasons for Growth is an education programme which explores the effects of change, loss and grief. It also recognises that we need support in understanding and coping with the effects of change and loss. Seasons for Growth provides a safe, creative way to explore these issues. Programmes are offered for different age groups of children. We would like to extend an invitation to any Suzanne Aubert learners who may have experienced or be experiencing loss and grief to be a participant in the Seasons Programme in Term Four 2021. We will run age appropriate small group sessions during the school day for learners in need. This will be led by RTLB Janet Blauw and Mrs McKay who are trained facilitators.

If you would like more information and/or think your child would benefit from the Seasons for Growth programme please email: smckay@suzanneaubert.school.nz

Playground Update

Exciting news! Playground Creations have confirmed that installation of our new playground will begin on Wednesday 20th October (week 1). While the manufacture of the equipment is done off-site, it will take 2 weeks to complete the installation process. We would like to thank you all for your patience while we await the grand opening. We believe it will be well worth the wait and our learners will be so excited to see their design come to life!



Ella had a Little Lamb Her fleece was white as snow!

Our Hikurangi Learners were very lucky to have 'Rosie' the Lamb drop in this week. Rosie is Ella's pet lamb and Ella and her mum very kindly brought Rosie in for a visit. The Cartwright family have been raising Rosie at home since she was a new born. It was very exciting for our tamariki to see Rosie up close and some of them even got a chance to pat her. It was a great example of Kaitiakitanga in the way we care for God's creation. Thanks Ella for sharing Rosie with us!



Learning Through Play

Through Learning Adventures, our Hikurangi children are learning about being Kaitiaki of the earth, especially around growing seeds. Our tamariki responded by dressing up and creating spontaneous plays to share this message of guardianship and stewardship with others.













Food Support

Some of our families and people in our community may be finding it difficult to provide food after the financial strain of lockdown. If you are struggling to provide food or know someone who is, please click the link <u>here</u>. It provides ideas and resources to help access food supplies. This fact sheet has information for all New Zealanders about:

- Food delivery
- If you can't get food delivered
- Staying safe when getting food delivered
- Financial help to buy food
- Foodbanks

Need to Talk to Someone?

We acknowledge that lockdown can be challenging for many of you as you navigate work commitments, financial hardship, social isolation, family arrangements and looking after children. Sometimes this lasts long after coming out of lockdown. If you feel that you need to talk with someone about how you have been feeling or are concerned about someone in your family please don't hesitate to seek support. Click the link here which provides resources and contacts to promote the wellbeing of yourself and your loved ones during and after lockdown.

Term 3 Key Dates

Suzanne Aubert Feast Day: Friday 1st October. Mufti Day and sausage sizzle. Last Day of Term 3: Friday 1 October

Term 4 Key Dates

First Day of Term 4: Monday 18 October
Mufti Day to raise money for the Miller
Movement (Starship): Friday 5 November
Y4-6 Music Festival Performance at
Baycourt: Friday 19th November
Last Day of School: Friday 17 December school closes at midday

2022 Key Dates

Whanaungatanga Day: Wednesday 2 Feb. First Day of Learning: Thursday 3 February

Special Catholic Character

A Message from our Director of Religious Studies

"Pope Francis has asked us to be a church "permanently on mission". Our mission as Christians is to go out and share with the world the good news that we are loved unconditionally by God and that a relationship with Jesus Christ is the best way to a fulfilled life."

This was the message our school celebrated last week with Social Justice Week and how we aim to live every day. It is wonderful seeing our tamariki take on this understanding and lead it with passion and conviction. They truly embody what it means to be Church. I would love to share a story with you from the junior school where one of our learners Angel Goh came to me full of the feeling of injustice as a result of seeing rubbish in the community and witnessing adults not responding to care for our common home. We talked it over and using the "See - Think - Judge - Act" model, Angel began a campaign of rubbish collection and elimination at after school care. Her understanding, passion, commitment and faith is a wonderful example to us all and truly shows that those moments of change do not need to be from the powerful or those in charge but are in all our capability to achieve. Thank you Angel for being my role model and guide in this.





Loving God,
who calls each one of us to Support Life.
We pray for health carers, who are with
people making decisions at the beginning
and end of life, and throughout its many

challenges.

We pray for family carers and for people who look after others at home every day.

Bless and keep them in your love.

Grant them wisdom and insight.

Show us all how to support people who support others.

Amen.

SUPPORT LIFE SUNDAY 2021

Supporting and honouring health carers

> TE KUPENGA NATHANIEL CENTRE FOR BIOETHICS

"Every day we witness the testimony of courage & sacrifice of healthcare workers." Pope Francis: Message for International Nurses Day 2020

During the school holidays, the Catholic Church in Aotearoa New Zealand will celebrate Support Life Sunday. Our Catholic Bishops are calling for the faithful to show their love for life in deeds as well as words.

Support Life Sunday this year is Sunday 10 October. Its theme will be Honouring and Supporting Health Carers. Pope Francis has acknowledged and thanked health carers in many statements throughout the Covid-19 pandemic and this is our call to offer the support we can in a practical way to the Health Care workers in our community. For more information follow this link

Catholic Character Review

In week 4 of next term, our school will be having a Catholic Character Review. This will take place from Tuesday 9th - Wednesday 10th November. Every Catholic School conducts this review once every three years. This review is an opportunity to explore the special Catholic Character of our kura and involves learning observations, interviews with key stakeholders and gathering documentation. Part of this data gathering includes capturing parent and whānau voice about our school Catholic Character. This will be via online surveys and focus groups. Next week, we will be sharing a link to the survey and an invitation to join the focus group. Please continue to check your email and HERO for details around this.





Catholic Schools Day

Catholic Schools is Wednesday the 29th of September. This year's theme is Tūrangawaewae: Catholic Schools - A Place to Stand. Catholic Schools day is a day to celebrate tradition. uniqueness, connection and Taonga Catholic schools in Aotearoa New 7ealand. At Suzanne Aubert Catholic school we beginning on our journey, so it is amazing to be able to make these connections to our deep history and sister schools throughout New Zealand. Unfortunately, the Covid19 lockdown prevented our planned event with our neighbouring Catholic Schools. Therefore, we have combined our Catholic Schools Day into our Suzanne Aubert Celebration Day. To find out more about Catholic Schools Day, click here.

Explore at Home: Prayer and Witness Challenge

As we continue with our big idea of Kaitiakitanga and our strand focus of Te Atua God in our learning, use this prayer and witness challenge to explore God the Creator at home as a family.

Pray	Read	Listen/Watch	Create and Share
Creator God We know that the survival of our planet and the well-being of humanity is threatened. We pray that all countries agree to reduce global	Read about the story of Noah's Ark and God's promise to Noah. (Genesis 7-9 maybe an adult could read this to you)	Read "In the Beginning" with Andrew Chinn. Extra for experts: a bird sound is used to tell you when to turn the pages. Do you know what it is? Butterfly Music	Go for a walk around your garden or your neighbourhood (with an adult's help) and collect items that show the colours of the rainbow. 1. Create your rainbow. 2. Take a photograph. 3. Send it to Miss Clayton.
warming and to care for the poor. E te Ariki Whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou.	for the poor. E te Ariki Chakarongo mai rā ki		

Aquinas College Year 7 Enrolment - 2022

Our Year 6 learners who are applying for Year 7 enrolment at Aquinas College had their enrolment interviews today with Principal Matt Dalton. We were very proud of the way our Suzanne Aubert seniors conducted themselves with confidence and a positive attitude. Decisions on enrolment applications will be emailed to families by Monday 11 October 2021.





School Policies and Procedures Only one week left to review!

Policies and procedures are important foundation documents to guide governance, management and operations of a school. At Suzanne Aubert, we use SchoolDocs as a portal to host these policies and procedures. Our school policies and procedures are available for all to view. They can be accessed via School Docs:

- 1) Click on the link to School Docs here
- 2) Search for Suzanne Aubert
- 3) Enter the username: suzanneaubert
- 4) Enter the password: empower
- 5) Use the left hand menu or search bar to locate the policies of interest

Policy Review

There is now only **one week to go** before the close off for the Term 3 policy review. If you would like to provide feedback about the current policies under review, please make sure you do so before the end of next week.

Policies under review this Term are:

- Behaviour Management
- Concerns and Complaints

SPORTS UPDATE Summer Sports Registrations

Our Physical Education programme in Term 4 will focus on athletics skill development. In addition, we will be registering teams in both Rippa Rugby and Mini Polo (formally Flippaball). This week a Google form was sent out to all families to obtain expressions of interest for school sports teams in term 4. To register your child / children for either of these sports, please fill in the <u>registration form</u> before next Wednesday 29th September at 4pm.

Netball

Netball looked a bit different for our Year 5-6 team last weekend, with strict Level 2 protocols in place. We all had to wear masks into the courts and no spectators were allowed to watch. The girls had a tough game against Golden Sands but kept their heads up and fought hard until the end. It was so awesome to see them coming forward for the ball on attack and sticking tightly with their partners on defence. They all had great games, but particularly Francesca Horne, who was awarded player of the day for her awesome defensive work!







Unfortunately our Year 1-2 and Year 3-4 netball teams' season ended with the recent Covid lockdown. Similarly, our two basketball teams, the SACS Breakers and the SACS Lakers have been unable to finish their basketball season.

All the more reason to sign up for Summer Sports!



All Saints by the Sea Parish Mass

Parish Masses at All Saints by the Sea will resume this weekend at St Thomas More Church - 17 Gloucester Rd.
Times are Sunday 8.30am, 10am and 5.30pm
Please be aware there will be a 100 person limit per Mass.

Note: There will be no Mass held at Suzanne Aubert Catholic School during Covid Alert Level 2.









PRIMAL

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Personalized Nutrition Plan save \$40

Body Composition save \$20

Creche / Childminding

tim@strength and conditioning.co.nz



GOLDEN SANDS SCHOOL HOLIDAY Programme

4 - 15 October 2021

play-time.co.nz

WINZ APPROVED

Long Day 8am - 5.30pm \$50/day School Day 8am - 3pm \$40/day Full week 8am - 5.30pm \$240

Suitable for children 5-13 yrs

with "8+ZONE" activities for children age 8 & over Children from all schools welcome

Mon 4 Oct

Weather Dependent
Please wear appropriate walking shoes, clothing & bring water + food

We're off to explore Te Puna Quarry! Find all the landmarks in our secial Quarry Scavenger Hunt and we'll have our lunch picnicstyle and a lolly scramble

Rocktopia (incl Vertical Slide and Leap of Faith) Must wear CLOSED SHOES & LONG HAIR TIED BACK Tues 5 Oct

HAMILTON ZOO

Please drop off by 8.30am No 3pm session available Limited seats available Subject to minimum bookings Spend a day exploring the zoo!

OR



Onsite option No extra charge

Arriba Arriba! Sombreros, Boleros and Pinata!

Wed 6 Oct +\$5 HUNGERBALL



Today we bring you the new game of HUNGERBALL!
A 6-sided inflatable arena where each player defends their goal and attacks at the same time!
It's massive fun!

Plus inside we'll create perla bead bag tags and make balloon tennis bats and cookie monster energy balls! We're going to need them!



Knights, princesses, and castles!

This is always a favourite day!
Make your own jewelled
goblet, shield and sword!
Build a castle with your team
then it's action time! - play
Castle Ball and other
challenges!

Plus make (and eat!) a

Thur 14 Oct



Roll up today with your wheels

AND HELMET and bring all
your driving skills! Have fun
racing around the school,
practicing your tricks and more!
We'll play games and enter the
skateboard decorating
competition! Plus
make Race Car Brownies!

heel to the park

Wheel to the park for a hot chip lunch!





It's a rainbow fun kinda day!
That means heaps of art and crafts, crayon and dye, melted crayon art and letter painting! Plus play the Fruit Salad game and make Rainbow Bath Salts and more! In the kitchen we'll make the cutest paint pallette cookies!

8+Zone

Make a Dream Catcher



Join the Olympic spirit!
Challenge your friends and leaders to the playground obstacle course! Who can jump the furthest and can you run faster than Bruce?!
Plus Tumbling! And heaps of Olympic Rings and Medals - fizzy, pom-pom, salt dough!
In the kitchen, make and decorate your own Medal cookies!

SIZONE

Fly the Drones



At Bayfair Cinemas! Price incl popcom & drink Afterwards, a visit to Rotary Park!

Park!

Now adults, Tim Templeton is a stay-at-home dad for two adorable daughters, while his estranged brother, Ted, is a bigshot CEO. They come together in an unexpected way when they take a magical formula that transforms them into babies for 48 hours. Joining forces with Tim's secret-agent daughter, they must go under cover to prevent an evil genius from turning fellow toddlers into monstrous brats.

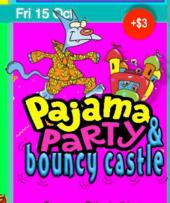


Can you OUTSMART,
OUTLAUGH and most
important OUTFUN with us?
Get into your teams and take
on our survivor challenges!
Including Nerf Wars
(bring your own or use
ours - please name your
gun & bullets!)
If that doesn't sound like

If that doesn't sound like enough fun for you, then let's get sassy with nails, facepaint and slime!

3 ZONG +\$15

Laser Tag



Bounce off the holidays with a Pyjama Party and Bouncy Castle! Wear your fave PJs or onesie if you want to and we'll make friendship bracelets, balloon animals and top the party off with a waffle station + heaps more!

MPORTANT INFORMATION

- All the current COVID-19 protocols will be in place in Play Time Holiday Programmes.
- Payment prior to attendance. Late WINZ bookings need to be paid in full before attending.
- **8+ZONE:** 8+ age children may book and attend the general daily activity if they prefer, but 8+ZONE activities are ONLY for children aged 8+. Although an outside provider may take children under 8yrs, this age limit has been set by PlayTime.
- Some activities are weather dependent.
- Activities listed are Enrichment Activities we try to offer a variety to suit all interests. Children are not required to join in, there will usually be other activities to choose from..
- Please name all belongings (clothes, togs, toys etc): if they become lost property, they can be returned PlayTime OSCAR takes no responsibility for misplaced/lost/stolen items.
- Between Sept-April, plse sunblock children before arriving. We'll apply additional sunblock during the day.
 If special sunblock is required, please send (labelled) with your child.
- Minimum numbers are required for some activties to go ahead as planned.
- For those whose children attend PlayTime, please join our closed Facebook page (ask the Lead Supervisor). We try post snippets of the day and lost property etc.

VENUE NUMBER 020 4010 9834

Payment is due prior to starting. WINZ forms to be submitted at least 3 wks before starting. Late WINZ bookings need to be paid in full prior to attendance. Holiday Programme cancellation / switching days policy: strictly 48hrs in writing for credit.

This includes last minute bookings once confirmed.

Please read T&C's before booking (these are agreed to prior to booking).

Available on aimyPlus and also available on www.play-time.co.nz

Please bring every day: large packed lunch & snacks - refillable water bottle - hat - change of clothes / appropriate clothes / appropriate shoes

To BOOK, go to www.play-time.co.nz Hit any ENROL/BOOK button. Questions? Call Thurla 021 1919 222 or email admin@play-time.co.nz