



The Aubert Oracle



Suzanne Aubert
Catholic School
Engage - Inspire - Empower Through Christ

Message from our Tumuaki

FRIDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2021

Tena koutou katoa whānau. Nau mai haere mai ki te Hata Meri Hōhepa - te Kura Katorika o Papamoa. We feel very blessed to have started our final term of 2021 kanohi ki te kanohi (face to face) during this Covid19 climate. Our thoughts and prayers are with our colleagues in Auckland and Waikato as they begin a new term in Level 3. Thank you to all our learners, parents and wider whānau for the way you are following guidelines around Level 2 protocols. It all contributes to making our kura a safe place to be for your tamariki.

"Play is the
highest form of
research."

Albert
Einstein



Learning Through Play

At Suzanne Aubert we have adopted a learning through play approach to support our tamariki in accessing the curriculum. This is called 'Learning Adventures'. This philosophy uses a child's natural play urges and play provocations as a vehicle to explore and achieve learning outcomes. A play approach serves to develop a child's agency in the learning decision making process. At Suzanne Aubert it is an authentic and innovative way to **engage, inspire and empower** our tamariki to become curious, creative and innovative learners. You will see these play urges being connected through learning opportunities such as 'Learning Adventures' projects. You may have recently seen a large group of our boys using this play urge to create a new water drainage system in our bark area! They have been collaborating, designing, conversing and measuring all while enjoying the feeling of getting their hands dirty! If you would like to know more about learning through play, please click the link [here](#).

Wishing you all a blessed and safe Labour weekend.

Ngā mihi nui

Anthony Mills

Principal - Tumuaki

Learning Adventures Passion Projects



This term our learners are engaging in 'Learning Adventures' projects. These are practical design-based projects that integrate the wider curriculum and demonstrate the theme of 'kaitiakitanga'. This learning is aimed at providing opportunities to promote our 7C's with a particular focus on creativity, curiosity and collaboration. It is also an extension of our learning through play philosophy. These projects are being facilitated by each kaiako and developed every Monday. Learners will explore different projects with each teacher. Projects include such contexts as fabric technology, mosaic, papier mache, percussion soundscapes, states of matter, gardening and impasto landscapes. Our learners look forward to sharing their mahi with you throughout the term.

Suzanne Aubert Feast Day

On the last day of Term three, our school community celebrated Suzanne Aubert's Feast Day. This day is set aside by the Church as a celebration of her life and to commemorate 95 years since her passing. Our tamariki and staff all dressed in blue to honour our school patron and celebrated a hui together as a school. We enjoyed a sausage sizzle at lunchtime followed by tabloid sports and iceblocks in the afternoon. The money from mufti donation and sausage sizzle raised \$437! Well done to our community for such a generous effort. Thank you also to the **Horne family (Francesca and Mateo)** that made this possible by donating the sausages. This money will be donated to the Sisters of Compassion Soup Kitchen in Wellington to support the service they provide for people in need.



Haere Mai to our New Learners

On Monday, we were excited to welcome five new learners to our Suzanne Aubert Whanau. We have Cole Graham, Lucy Arnold and Wyatt Kedian joining 'The Nest' with Mrs Allen. We also welcome Cameron and Jackson Speirs who have recently relocated to Papamoa from Wellington. Cameron has joined Hikurangi and is in Miss Clayton's Whanau class and Jackson is in Mr Newland's Whānau. We extend a warm welcome to these tamariki and their families to the Suzanne Aubert learning community.



The Aubert Kid Awards

At our Celebration Hui on the last Friday of Term 3, eight of our Tamariki received Aubert Kid awards for demonstrating one or more of our living and learning principles (the '7 C's'). The worthy recipients were Ella Blackburn, Ethan Stewart, Atli Perrott, Sophia Finch, Emelia Roberts, Clauí Vergara, Sierra Conroy and Aviana Vergara. These children along with our Aubert Kids from the previous hui, were then all invited to join our staff for morning tea in the Manaakitanga room. Congratulations to our Aubert Kids for your attitude and mahi!





NGĀ PŌTIKI

A TAMAPAHORE TRUST

Te Wharepuni o Papamoa

Our kura is located on the whenua of Ngā Potiki. This is our iwi who have been journeying with us as we have established our school. Our kura is part of a wider community of schools in Papamoa named 'Te Wharepuni o Papamoa' (the House of Papamoa). Every pou (pole) that holds up the structure of the house represents each school. Other schools in Te Wharepuni are Golden Sands, Te Manawa o Papamoa, Te Akau ki Papamoa, Papamoa Primary, Papamoa College, Tahatai Primary and many of our ECEs. As a collective we are currently developing a strategic plan with Ngā Potiki to strengthen our partnerships and promote opportunities to explore the cultural narrative of our local environment. This week, our leadership team joined a hui at Tahuwhakatiki Marae with the leadership teams of Te Wharepuni schools. It was a great opportunity to connect and learn more about the history of our local whenua and the vision for education in Ngā Potiki.

Thanks Pizza Library!

We are very blessed to have been given pizza vouchers from 'The Pizza Library' for all our staff and learners! We will be giving these out at Celebration Hui today. Mark and Kathy Lucero (Mama and Papa Pizza) manage both the Papamoa and Mount Maunganui restaurants. Please check out their delicious menu and head along to support them! See their website [here](#).



SPORTS UPDATE

Unfortunately Covid continues to impact school sporting events throughout New Zealand. On advice from Sport NZ, BOP Rugby made the difficult decision to cancel Rippa Rugby for Term 4. This is very disappointing for both the school and our tamariki, especially because we had so many children keen and entered to play in the Papamoa tournament. We are currently looking at the possibility of BOP Rugby coming in later in the term to run a Rippa Rugby module with our children. We will keep you updated about this. Where possible and appropriate, we will aim to provide alternative opportunities for our learners to engage with in-house sports with the possibility of future cancellations of events. Our physical education focus for this term is Athletics and our learners have been exploring these skills through the 'Run, Jump, Throw' programme. All students are working with each teacher in different events. While the athletics clusters event has now been cancelled, we will still be holding our schoolwide athletics later in the term. We are currently developing a plan for our parents and whānau to still be able to attend this event at Level 2.



Covid Update - Mandatory Vaccination

As you would be aware, the Government has confirmed mandatory vaccination in all New Zealand schools as a means of protecting our students, staff and wider community. As a school at Alert Level 2, this means that all of our staff are required to receive our first Covid19 vaccination by **15th November 2021** and to be fully vaccinated by **1st January 2022**. The scope of this requirement is broad and includes all of the people who work at our school including teachers, support staff, contractors, visiting Ministry staff, outside agencies and volunteers e.g. coaches and parent helpers. This breadth of coverage is again intended to afford the greatest possible protection to our learners, staff and communities. Our school will be required to record the vaccination status of everyone who works on our site in a confidential register. We are currently working with the Ministry in developing this system for our school context. We will notify you as soon as we have this ready to roll out. If you are a school volunteer, please be aware that you will be required to provide information about your vaccination status. If you have any queries or concerns about a vaccination register, please contact our leadership team. I would encourage anyone who needs support to understand these requirements to contact your local GP or Healthline. If you would like to know more about the Covid19 vaccination and how it works, please click [here](#).



Happy Anniversary Team!

Last week we celebrated our 1 year anniversary with our school staff. It is exactly a year since our teaching staff started their journey of establishment at Suzanne Aubert and what a year it has been! So many highlights and memorable moments that have brought us all closer as a whānau. We have a wonderful team of teachers who bring such enthusiasm, commitment and joy to the learning environment. Thank you to all our team for your mahi!

Food Support

Some of our families and people in our community may be finding it difficult to provide food during the financial strain of Covid19 Alert Level restrictions. If you are struggling to provide food or know someone who is, please click the link [here](#). 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 the uncertainty created by Alert Level restrictions can be challenging for many of you as you navigate work commitments, financial hardship, social isolation, family arrangements and looking after children. 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 amidst Covid19 uncertainties.

Special Catholic Character

A Message from our Director of Religious Studies

Welcome back Meri Hohepa learners to Term 4. This term our RE focus shifts to Te Rongopai- the Good News. This is a close look at what the Gospel tells us about God particularly looking at the life of Jesus and what he revealed about God in his actions and teachings. This is an exciting way to end the year as we deepen our understanding and Faith.

October is also the Month of the Most Holy Rosary. Legend tells us that the Rosary as a form of prayer was given to St. Dominic (1170-1221) by Mary, the Mother of Our Lord, who entrusted it to him as an aid in conflicts and has since become one of the most popular prayerful devotions.

The Rosary is primarily a scriptural prayer. As Pope Pius XII (papacy: 1939-1958) said, the Rosary is "a compendium of the entire Gospel". The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centred on the great events of the Incarnation and Redemption. Because of this it is a perfect accompaniment for our RE focus Te Rongopai- the Good News. A great resource to look at for this month and understanding the Rosary with children can be found on The Catholic Kid website.

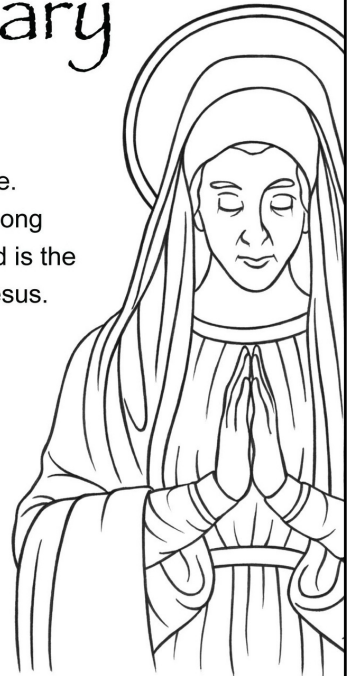


Hail Mary

Hail Mary,
Full of Grace,
The Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among
women, and blessed is the
fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary,
Mother of God,
pray for us sinners
now, and at the
hour of our death.

Amen.



The Hail Mary Prayer - (Luke 1:28, 1:42) - © TheCatholicKid.com




Upcoming Event:



November 1st is All Saints Day and November 2nd is All Souls Day. These two feasts celebrate those that have gone before us to the kingdom of heaven and provide us role models in how to live our lives. We will be having a Mass to celebrate All Souls Day as a school community at 11am on Tuesday 2nd November in the Harakeke learning hub. As part of this service we would like to remember and celebrate those family and friends that have died and gone to the Kingdom of heaven before us. Unfortunately, due to Covid19 Alert levels, we are unable to invite our parent community to this Mass.

Explore at Home: Prayer and Witness Challenge

We continue with our learning theme of Kaitiakitanga this term and this prayer challenge asks us to become guardians of others around us, aware of diverse needs and how we are called to respond and act on these needs. Even an action as simple as speaking or praying in someone else's language makes all the difference.

Pray	Read	Listen/Watch	Create and Share
<p>Hēhu Karaiti</p> <p>You opened the ears of the deaf man. Please open our ears to hear the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.</p> <p>E te Ariki... Whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou.</p>	<p>Read: Jesus cures a deaf man</p> 	<p>Watch this short video clip of the piece of Scripture you have just read</p>	<p>In the story, two friends took the deaf man to Jesus. How can you help a friend in need? Here is a cool challenge! See if you can learn how to sign and sing the Hail Mary (or even a little bit of it!)</p> <p>Have a go at learning how to sign your name and others!</p>

All Saints by the Sea Parish Mass

Parish Masses are currently held at All Saints by the Sea at St Thomas More Church - 17 Gloucester Rd.



All Saints by the Sea

Times are Sunday 8:30am, 10:00am and 5:30pm

Please be aware there will be a 100 person limit per Mass.

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

School Policies and Procedures

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

In Term 3, we reviewed our school policies for behaviour management and concerns and complaints. Thank you to those whānau that provided feedback about these policies. This feedback will be discussed by the Board and integrated into policy updates where appropriate. In term 4, we have the following policies currently under review:

- Harassment - Board and Staff
- Maori Educational Success
- Religious Education (Catholic schools)

Term 4 Key Dates

Mufti Day to raise money for the Miller Movement (Starship): Friday 5 November
SACS Athletics Day: TBC
Y4-6 Music Festival Performance at Baycourt: Friday 19th November (TBC)
Last Day of School: Friday 17 December - school closes at midday

2022 Key Dates

Whanaungatanga Day: Thursday 3rd February
First Day of Learning: Friday 4th February



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

Unfortunately, the installation of our school playground has been further delayed due to Covid19 restrictions. Installation was due to begin this week, however, as the Playground Creations manufacturer is based in Hamilton, they are currently impacted by Level 3 restrictions and will confirm an alternative installation date in the next week. In the interim, we will continue to provide a variety of exciting play opportunities for our learners as has been the case until now. These include Boulevard playground visits, loose parts play, lil' wheels days, organised sport, whānau factory etc.



Play in the Bay 2021

During the school holidays our staff had a teacher only day to attend the 'Play in the Bay' conference. Due to Covid restrictions, the in-person conference was cancelled but we were privileged to still be able to attend remotely. During the conference we heard from learning through play educators and researchers Pennie Brownlee and Kimberly Crisp. Our team also attended a series of virtual workshops covering topics such as authentic provocations, integrating play into maths, a senior school approach to play, play-based professional growth cycles and much more.



Congratulations Francis Whānau!

At the end of last term, we drew the \$100 voucher for Papamo's from those parents and whānau who had recently submitted the survey about cultural relationships in learning. Congratulations to the Francis whānau (Bella, Mikey and Isaac) for winning the voucher!

Catholic Character Review

In week 4 of this 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 special Catholic Character. This will be via online surveys and focus groups. Next week, we will share 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.



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