

The Aubert Oracle



Message from our Tumuaki Tuarua

THURSDAY 30TH JUNE 2022

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

We hope this Aubert Oracle finds you all well and managing to dodge the many winter bugs that seem to be hitting our community quite hard at the moment. It has been an extremely busy month for our Suzanne Aubert learners. Some of the highlights so far have been a learning focus on Matariki, celebrating our first Mass back on the school site for Suzanne Aubert's 187th Birthday, 18 of our learners receiving the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation, and welcoming new learners and their whānau to our school. Also, it has been great to see our tamariki, engaging in winter sports again.

We are excited to extend a warm welcome for you to join us on **Wednesday 6th July at 11am** for the Junior celebration of learning for Term Two, **11.30am** for the Senior celebration followed by a musical performance After these celebrations we will share in Matariki soup prepared by our learners.

On **Monday 4th July at 5pm** we extend an invitation to those who are interested in learning about being on the Suzanne Aubert Board of Trustees. Come along and hear about the experiences of existing Board members. For our Board to be the best it can be, we need people with a range of backgrounds, skills, competencies and personal qualities. Come along and have a chat with some members of the current Board. Elections are to be held again in September.

We look forward to seeing you before the end of the school term - next Friday 8th of July. Please enjoy this pānui of updates and recent highlights from our kura. Ngā mihi nui,

Shelley McKay

Key Dates - Term 2

- Board of Trustees Information Evening Monday 4th July 5pm
- Matariki Celebration of Learning: Wednesday 6th July (11am at school)
- Year 5-6 Basketball World Cup: Thursday 7th July
- Last Day of Term 2: Friday 8th July

Key Dates - Term 3

- First Day of Term 3: Monday 25 July
- Learning Conferences: Tuesday 26th July, 1-6pm (please note, school finishes at 12.30pm) and Wednesday 27th July, 3-6pm.
- Hearing Support Bay of Plenty "Puppet Show": Friday 29 July
- Cycle Safety (year 5-6): Wed 29 Fri 31 August
- Life Education Truck at school: Mon 5 Fri 11 September

HAERE MAI TO OUR NEW LEARNERS

We are very excited to welcome six new students to our Suzanne Aubert Whānau. Joining the 'Pod' in the Kawakawa learning hub are our newest learners loe Mae and Jackson McHugh. Joining Harakeke, we have Joseph Cartwright along with siblings Sieni, Jesse and Solomon Ryan. Welcome to our growing school family tamariki!







Jackson McHugh



L-R Joseph Cartwright, Sieni & Solomon Ryan



Jesse Ryan

THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

Over the weekend of the 11th and 12th of June and the 19th of June, 18 of our learners at Suzanne Aubert received the Sacrament of Confirmation and Holy Communion. We were privileged to have Bishop Michael for the Mass on the 12th and Maria completed our first School, Community Mass by receiving her Sacraments as part of our Suzanne Aubert birthday celebrations. A Sacrament is an outward expression of inward Grace and these two Sacraments are part of the Sacraments of initiation following our learners Spiritual Journey. Thanks to all that were able to celebrate with our learners.











THE AUBERT KID AWARDS

Congratulations to our latest Aubert Kid Award recipients (L to R): Jivraj Bhasin, Isaac Francis, Marcus Chow, Harrison James, Charlie Denyer and Magnus Cave. These learners have demonstrated our 7 C's in their learning and friendships: Christlike, Curious, Compassionate, Collaborative, Creative, Connected and Courageous. Kia kaha tamariki!













Suzanne Aubert's 187th Birthday and School Mass

Sunday 19th June was Suzanne Aubert's 187th birthday. We celebrated this special occasion with our first school mass of 2022. It also marked the commencement of Sunday parish masses being held again at the school. It was wonderful to come together as a school community to celebrate mass and Suzanne Aubert's birthday. We were also blessed to be witness to Maria Turol receiving the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. A special thank you to Father Richard, Miss Clayton and the learners who read in Mass, our musical team, and all our tamariki and whānau who were able to join us.

















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 & 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

Policies currently under review this term are:

- Health Care
- Behaviour Management

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Have you ever considered going on the Board of Trustees? Would you like to find out more about what being on a school board entails? On Monday 4th July at 5pm (in the staffroom), there will be an information session where our current Presiding Member, Rodney Phillips, and Proprietor's Rep, Jeremy Kedian, will explain the function of the Board of Trustees, the role of individual trustees, and answer any questions you may have regarding election and subsequent functioning of the Board. This is in preperation for our board of trustees elections on Wednesday September. Nomination papers for parent representatives will be sent out next week.

MATARIKI SOUP

A reminder to bring in a vegetable as contribution to our Matariki Soup that our learners will be making and sharing with whanau at our Celebration of Learning on Wednesday 6th July. Thank you to all those who have already contributed.









MATARIKI DISCO

Thank you to our fabulous PTFA who organised our first ever Matariki disco. The hub was transformed into a sparkling discotheque and it set the scene for a great night. A huge shout out to all those tamariki and whānau who danced the night away. Also to our wonderful teachers who really got into the theme of things delighting our tamariki with their dancing. A big thank you also to Pak N Save for their generosity in donating a \$300 voucher to purchase food and drinks to sell on the night and to The Warehouse Papamoa who donated our decorations. It was a hugely successful night. We also thank our resident school photographer Kate Magill for taking photos on the night.













MOVIE NIGHT

The PTFA movie fundraiser was a huge success with a total of \$2,328 raised to go towards our senior playground. Thank you to all our whānau, friends and the Papamoa community who supported this fundraiser either by attending the movie, donating items for our raffles and purchasing raffle tickets. We were blown away by the geneoristy and support. A huge thank you to our PTFA for organising such a successful event.

"RAISE SOME DOUGH" Dominos Fundraiser

On Saturday 2nd July, Domino's Papamoa will be donating \$1 from every pizza or lava cake sold sold to the Suzanne Aubert Senior Playground fundraising efforts. If takeaways are on the menu this weekend, please support this "Raise Some Dough" fundraiser and head to Dominos for pizza.



SPORTS UPDATE

NETBALL

The 2022 Netball season has finally kicked off for our budding future ferns. On Saturday 11 June, our year 5-6 netball team, SACS Magic played in a grading tournament at the Tauranga Netball Centre. Playing a total of five games against a variety of other schools, the team really came together throughout the day and showed great improvements, coming away with a win against GVS United and a very close









Our year 1 -2 netball team, SACS Mystics, had their first game on Saturday 18 June, playing Pyes Pa Ferns. The girls were full of energy and worked well as a team supporting and encouraging each other to participate! Player of the day was Kayley and MVP Zoey,





Papama Cross Country Clusters

We are very proud of our year 4-6 students who represented Suzanne Aubert at the Papamoa Cross Country Clusters on Thursday 7th June. They demonstrated true courage and resilience running on a tough course with a constant threat of rain. Our qualifying students were Kaydence Martin, Greer Jackson, Geneva Mills, Sophie Silbery, Indy Chapman, Kaius Hepi, Domenico Basile, Ethan Stewart, Matthaus Uhlmann, Mikev Francis, Charlotte Clarke, Amelia Chooi, Kyla Matulino, Georgia Finch, Dante Jager, Joel Redgate, Corin Jackson, Alex Smyth, Lucy Dunne, Saige Silbery, Felipe Norman, Rainer Jager, William Magill. Unfortunately sickness meant not all could compete.









Netball for our two year 3 - 4 teams, SACS Pulse and SACS Tactix, also commenced on Saturday 18th June. Despite wet conditions, our players gave it their all and had loads of fun. A big congratulations to our first time netballers who





BASKETBAL World Cup

On Thursday 16th June, our year 3-4 basketball team, SACS Celtics, played in the Year 3 - 4 Basketball World Cup at Trust Power Arena. Representing, Spain. budding basketballers had a fabulous day of basketball, finishing the day off with a couple of wins.

Our year 5-6 basketball team will play in their World Cup on Thursday 7th July. We wish them the very best of luck.





Aubert Authors!

MATARIKI STORY by Benji Egan (year 2)

Once upon a time there were eight little stars in the sky. Their names were: Waipunarangi and his job was to control the rain. Another name was Rupuarangi - his job was to control the birds and the food above the sky. The third star was Waita - his job was to control the oceans and sea. The fourth star was Ururangi - his job was to control the winds. The fifth star was Hiwa-i-te-rangi - her job was to show the Maori New Year. The sixth star is Pohutukawa. She is the one who sings for the people who have passed away. Waiti - she is the one who connects us to rivers and oceans.

Matariki is the Mum. She loves her children, then suddenly all the children were fighting for one hour. Then the Mum said "BE QUIET!" Then the children were working and made a rocket. They went into space and came out and were out for too long and got frozen. They turned into stars. The mum came in the room and said "You are so quiet" and saw that her children were gone. She was scared.

Then the mum did the same thing as the kids. She made a rocket. She came into space and went around the Earth and then she found her children. She found out that her children were stars. Then the mum got frozen and turned into a star. Now we can celebrate by however you want for Matariki.

Matariki

by Atli Perrot (year 3)



Once there was seven sisters who made kites for Matariki. They went to the beach and fell asleep. When they were sleeping the kites went up in the sky and all the kites flew away. The littlest sister said wake up and they weren't waking up and then they woke up and said where is my kite?

One of the sisters said look they are over there and then the littlest sister said where is my kite.

Then the kites became stars because they flew into the sky. The stars were then called Matariki.

<u>Matariki</u> by Solomon Ryan (year 6)

On the day before Matariki, Greenland school was preparing for a morning at the field ready to watch the Matariki stars. The next morning Buddy, who was not excited, said to his mother Sheniene, "Mum, what are the names of the Matariki stars?" Mum replied with, "Waiti, Waita, Waipunarangi, Tupuanuku, Tupuarangi, Ururangi, Hiwa-i-te-rangi, Pohutukawa and of course the mother Matariki, why?" "Just wanted to know because Ms. Fall won't tell me why, so I just figured I would ask you?" "Yeah, I just wondered, why did Ms. Fall not tell you guys?" "NO!! She didn't tell me, but told everybody else, I know right, rude!!" It was the morning of the showing of the stars and a costume of Tawhiri Matea was shown and before the Matariki stars came, the school was excited until the stars came and they all gasped as they saw that Matariki wasn't there and everyone was whispering to each other and then heard a loud, deep angry voice, "Where is my star?" Said Tawhirimatea looking at all of the little children down below at his feet. "Answer me, NOW!!" 'BOOM!!' a loud sound made all the children stand in fear and in shock when a gray cloud appeared and the children were running worried and scared all over the place and then his younger brother came named Tumatauenga (God of war) asked if he'd seen the Matariki star and then TawhiriMatea noticed something glowing inside of Tumatauenga's hand, there it was, the Matariki star. " But why did you steal it?" said TawhiriMatea with an angry voice, "No one would be with me so I just wanted some company, I don't know why I did it?" said Tumatauenga, whimpering to his brother. When Buddy went home he told his mum what had happened that day and she was blown away.

Later that night, when they were having dinner they saw a shining star in the sky and then a flash of light shined and the star was gone. "Where did it go!?" Said Buddy, "What just happened?" said mum with a confused looking face. "Let's go outside and get a closer look." Said Buddy with a happy smile. When mum and Buddy went outside they saw a lot of people standing outside and then he woke up and it was all just a dream. "Weird" said Buddy, confused. When he got up he checked himself in the mirror and his teeth were as white as white chocolate, his hair as black as always and his eyes as a green plant, his skin as brown as a coconut and his pj's as cool as himself. "Let's go!!" Shouted Buddy breaking the mirror.



Special Catholic Character

A Message from our Director of Religious Studies

Prayer for the Beatification of Venerable Suzanne Aubert

Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us that as often as we show compassion to the least of your brothers and sisters, we show it to you. Hear our prayers that the intercession of Venerable Suzanne Aubert, who supported the Māori people and devoted her life to the poor, the sick and the underprivileged, and whom the Church has declared to be one of your true and humble followers, will be recognized in a miraculous healing by the Church and will lead to her beatification. Amen.



A few weekends ago it was a special celebration for our school with us marking the birth of Suzanne Aubert on the 19th of June. Meri Hohepa, Suzanne Aubert was an amazing woman who with drive. determination and compassion made a lasting impact on New Zealand. She is a role model of faith, learning and biculturalism for us today. Meri Hohepa devoted her life to helping others. Her calling took her from France to New Zealand where she travelled the country. Along the way, she founded Our Daughters of Our Lady of Compassion, cared for children and the sick, ensured those that needed food or refuge had a place to be. She skilfully combined Māori medicine and Pākehā science to create well respected medicines and remedies for ailments, and wrote books in Māori, English and French.



Meri Hohepa's strong faith made this possible. She knew that in serving others she was doing God's work and that meant that no matter the obstacle or roadblock there was a solution or help when needed. This understanding of Divine Providence is very much with the Sisters today. One of Suzanne's quotes is "Do your share and God will do his, and everything will go well." and another "We are doing God's work. If he wishes us to continue He will find the way. When we are in need, help always comes from the most unexpected source."

In these times many people are burdened with worries. We can reflect on Suzanne Aubert's understanding of Divine Providence and wonder, How can doing your part and then trusting in God help people in the community and our lives?

Blanket and Winter Warmers

This term in the spirit of Suzanne Aubert we are joining in with the Parish Drive to collect blankets for winter. Many people struggle as the season and weather changes. So at Suzanne Aubert Catholic School over the term we will collect any pre-loved blankets of good quality or new blanket donations for those in need. Thank you for your support.



Explore at Home: Prayer and Witness Challenge

In this week's prayer and witness challenge we explore the Ascension and Pentecost

Pray

God of tenderness you call us to share in your Trinity of love. May we like Suzanne, open our hearts to whom we encounter this day. Suzanne, defending human dignity, pray for us.



Listen/Watch

Watch the video
Suzanne Aubert an Inspiration





What an amazing story of Compassion and Faith

Create and Share

'Let us have a heart like an artichoke, and such a big one that everybody can have a leaf of it.'

Suzanne used this quote to encourage the Sisters of Compassion to show love to everyone, especially in difficult situations when compassion was most needed.

Suzanne didn't make this quote up!

The expression "un cœur d'artichaut, une feuille pour tout le monde" dates from France in the 19th century, and Suzanne would have been familiar with it.

Explain what this quote means in your own words or draw a picture:

Mass:

Every Sunday morning there will be a Community / Parish Mass held in the Kawakawa learning hub, beginning at 8.30am. We will have some small hospitality afterwards to celebrate as a community in the admin block. The school is looking for volunteers to help host this hospitality every Sunday by serving tea, coffee, juice and some biscuits.



All Saints by the Sea Parish Masses

We warmly invite you to attend weekend Parish Masses.

Please see mass times below: **Saturday:** 5:30pm (St Patrick's Te Puke)

Sunday:

8.30am (Suzanne Aubert School)

10am and 5:00pm (St Thomas More)



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A Snapshot of Suzanne Aubert Life

















Matariki Disco



















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July Holiday Programme

YEAR 1-3

TUE 19 JULY 9.00AM-12NOON AND/OR WED 20 JULY 1.00PM - 4.00PM

YEAR 4-6

TUE 19 JULY 1.00PM - 4.00PM AND/OR THU 21 JULY 9.00AM - 12NOON

YEAR 7-8

WED 20 JULY 9.00AM - 12NOON AND/OR THU 21 JULY 1.00PM - 4.00PM

TAURANGA HOCKEY CENTRE

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PUBLIC MEETING

Todd Muller and Erica Stanford will be holding a public meeting on the evening of Monday 18 July in Welcome Bay. This public meeting will focuson Education as it is a very important policy area currently. If you are interested in attending this meeting, please click on the <u>link</u> to learn more and register your attendance.



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