



# The Aubert Oracle



Suzanne Aubert  
Catholic School  
Engage · Inspire · Empower Through Christ

FRIDAY 26TH AUGUST 2022

## Message from our Tumuaki

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

We are in an exciting phase of growth and development in our kura Suzanne Aubert Catholic School. Our roll is growing every term and will be close to 150 learners at the end of the year. We are currently negotiating with the Ministry of Education to extend this roll limit to 200 for the end of next year. Beyond this, Stage 2 of our development will include another learning hub, a multi-purpose centre and an additional sports turf. It is rewarding to see new additions to enhance life for our learners at Suzanne Aubert currently in process including senior playground, edible/herbal gardens, sports uniform, road crossing, music instrumentation to name a few.

At Suzanne Aubert, the actions and evidence of learning for our tamariki are mapped back to our strategic plan. This strategic plan was developed by the school Board to set the direction and pathway for our school moving into the future. Our plan consists of 4 key strategic goals which are to be developed over the next three years. Our special Catholic Character is integrated into each strategic goal and the associated actions. Please see a breakdown of these strategic goals on the next page. Over the coming Aubert Oracle newsletters, keep an eye out for our 'Strategic Spotlight' where we will explore each goal and what it looks like at Suzanne Aubert on a daily basis.

Please enjoy this pānui of updates and recent highlights from our kura.

Ngā mihi nui

Anthony Mills (Principal - Tumuaki)

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' SPORTS & CULTURAL TOURNAMENT

Last week our Year 5-6 Kopukairoa learners participated in the annual Catholic School's Sports and Cultural tournament at Aquinas College. This was a great opportunity to celebrate our special Catholic character through sports and culture in a friendly competition with schools from Tauranga, Rotorua, Mt Maunganui, Putaruru, Tokoroa and Gisborne. Our learners entered teams for Rippa Rugby, Netball, Basketball, chess, drama, quiz and scripture reading and represented our school with such pride.

Special mention goes to Ava-Faith who won the scripture reading and our chess team (Rainer, Dante and Felipe) who won second place. Congratulations tamariki! Thanks also to our incredible parent volunteers and coaches who supported us on the day. We couldn't do it without you!



# Strategic Goals - 2022-2024

Catholic Character Goals are embedded and integrated into actions

## ‘Engage, Inspire and Empower Through Christ’

Strategic Goals	NELPs <a href="#">here</a> (p.4)	2022-2024 Actions
<b>School Culture</b> <b>Manaakitanga</b> Create a supportive school culture that celebrates identity, empowers learning and promotes hauora	Objective 1.1 Objective 1.2 Objective 2.3 Objective 3.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Promote the spiritual growth, faith development and teachings of the Catholic Church for all staff and students</li><li>• Develop an understanding of the school Charism, vision, mission and principles for living and learning</li><li>• Provide opportunities for celebrating cultural identity, diversity and belonging through schoolwide and community events and celebrations of learning</li><li>• Implement and uphold a relational and restorative approach to managing relationships to promote the health, safety and hauora of tamariki, kaiako and whānau</li><li>• Develop systems to promote staff and student wellbeing through transition, induction and shared experiences</li><li>• Establish systems to conduct schoolwide self review of learning, transition, wellbeing, communications, performance management, policies and procedures.</li></ul>
<b>Learning</b> <b>Ako</b> Design learning that promotes agency, strengthens identity, responds to the needs of learners and ensures educational success for all tamariki.	Objective 1.2 Objective 2.3 Objective 2.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Implement a future focused and inquiry based Religious Education Curriculum that is integrated with other learning areas and contexts</li><li>• Design a localised place-based curriculum that reflects mana whenua, cultural narratives and local histories.</li><li>• Promote agentic and personalised learning through exploring personal and collective vision, values, principles and needs.</li><li>• Promote culturally responsive practice and competencies by developing Te Ao Māori (e.g. Whanaungatanga, Kaitiakitanga, Te Reo Maori, Tikanga) and responding to the expectations of Te Tiriti o Waitangi</li><li>• Track and monitor progress and achievement of all learners with a particular focus on those with additional learning needs.</li><li>• Implement a structured approach to learning the foundations of literacy, language and maths.</li><li>• Adopt a strategic approach to 'Learning Adventures' where students encounter learning through play and inquiry.</li><li>• Provide opportunities to engage learners through STEM, kaitiakitanga (environmental guardianship) and science citizenship projects.</li><li>• Promote learning experiences for tamariki to develop skills, build understanding and communicate ideas to others through Visual and Performing Arts.</li><li>• Develop regular opportunities for students to be active and develop physical skills in a safe and supportive environment.</li></ul>
<b>Professional Growth</b> <b>Kotahitanga</b> Provide opportunities for leaders and staff to build capability and efficacy	Objective 3.5 Objective 3.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Develop a pathway for professional growth, leadership and learning for all staff in special Catholic Character.</li><li>• Construct systems and structures to promote coaching, mentoring and collaborative and effective leadership.</li><li>• Engage in a Professional Growth Cycle with staff to ensure teachers are meeting expectations within the Code of Professional Responsibility, Standards for the Teaching Profession and Professional Standards for AP/DPs.</li><li>• Develop a mentoring and coaching focused appraisal programme for the Principal based on meeting the expectations of the Professional Standards for Primary Principals (PPCA).</li><li>• Provide opportunities for emerging leaders to connect with the wider local and national educational network in signature learning practices.</li></ul>
<b>Community</b> <b>Whanaungatanga</b> Foster learning focused partnerships with whānau and the wider community	Objective 1.2 Objective 4.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Develop a strategic approach to connecting with Catholic communities including the Sisters of Compassion, All Saints by the Sea Parish, Hamilton Diocese, Kahui Ako and Catholic Schools network.</li><li>• Maintain ongoing opportunities to connect with whānau and parents through learning celebrations, progress updates, achievement reports, schoolwide events and online communications.</li><li>• Maintain ongoing consultation with local iwi regarding foundation, learning, cultural narrative, local histories and Te Ao Māori.</li><li>• Establish connections with local and global communities through service projects, ECE transition, science citizenship and environmental initiatives.</li></ul>



## FAREWELL MRS MCKAY & MISS MCPHERSON

As you will be aware, we have two staff members leaving our Suzanne Aubert whānau in the coming months.

Mrs Shelley McKay has won an exciting promotion as Deputy Principal at Taumata Primary School in Tauranga. While of course we are saddened to see Shelley leave our kura, we are excited for the new opportunity of professional growth, learning and experience that she will gain at her new school. Taumata is an innovative and fast growing school with a roll of close to 600 learners and will be a great learning environment for Shelley to broaden her experience. Mrs McKay will continue in her role and finish at the end of Term 3.

Miss Ashlee McPherson is leaving our school to embark on an overseas adventure in 2023 and will be travelling throughout South East Asia and hopes to teach in England. While we are saddened to see Miss McPherson leave our school, we know that this is an exciting opportunity to broaden her experience through overseas travel. Miss McPherson will continue teaching in the Hikurangi team until the end of Term 4 2022.

I would like to thank both Shelley and Ashlee for the incredible impact that they have made as educators and leaders in our foundation school journey. They have both been pivotal in creating a positive learning environment through establishing such positive relationships with learners, staff, whānau and community. We will miss you both sincerely!

wishing  
you   
ALL THE BEST



## MULTICULTURAL DAY - 'COLOUR MY WORLD' FRIDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER

We are very excited to announce that we will be holding our Multicultural Day next week to celebrate our learning theme 'Colour My World - Kia muramura toku ao'. Next **Friday 2nd September**, your children can wear clothes/costumes that represent their culture/whakapapa or the culture that you closely associate with as a family. We will be sharing a variety of international food options and celebrating as a school at our Celebration Hui in the afternoon. There will be vouchers up for grabs for our 'best dressed'!



## THANK YOU BESSA FAMILY

We would like to thank the Bessa family for their kind donation of a wheelbarrow for use at school. It will be extremely handy with our PiPS garden projects and transporting other equipment around the school. It has already been put to good use!



## WATERLINE

This week the Harakeke learners were excited to have a visit from Sarahann from Waterline. Her main focus this year was on our Stormwater systems. The learners surveyed the school to discover where our downpipes and storm water drains were located. They also identified the permeable and impermeable surfaces. On her second visit they were introduced to Mapi, a GIS system which shows where all the storm water drains are in Papamoa. The final session involved a practical lesson identifying different pollutants that could go into our Stormwater systems. Our role now is to ensure that we are responsible Kaitiaki and work together to keep our Stormwater healthy.



Congratulations to our latest Aubert Kid Award recipients: Wyatt Kedian, Kingston Glenn, Christian Lattimer, Esmée Shen, James Magill, Amandine Aubry and Jaedyn Dean (pictured L to R). These learners have demonstrated our 7 C's in their learning and friendships: Christlike, Curious, Compassionate, Collaborative, Creative, Connected and Courageous. We look forward to you joining the staff for your shared morning tea today. Kia kaha tamariki!

## THE AUBERT KID AWARDS



THE SUZANNE AUBERT CATHOLIC SCHOOL

# QUIZ NIGHT

FRIDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, 7PM

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Renee Currie

*Styler*



## ECOCLOTHS

This fundraiser is now finished. Please make sure you have deposited the money from sales to Good Change as per the instructions. EcoCloths will be distributed in the coming weeks. Thank you for your support.





## CONGRATULATIONS SOLOMON & SIENI

Congratulations to Solomon and Sieni Ryan who recently competed in the annual Northcoast Boardriders Polar Bear surfing contest at Sandy Bay in Northland. On August 7-8, Sieni and Solomon both contested the mixed Under 12's division against sixteen competitors from around the North Island. Sieni finished 3rd in her quarter-final for overall 13th. Solomon made the semi-final finishing in 5th place overall. We are proud of you Solomon and Sieni!



## WELL DONE KAYDENCE

Congratulations also to Kaydence Martin who competed in the Waikato Bay of Plenty Road Race Championships in Cambridge over the weekend. She competed in the U12 girls race, running the 2km in 8.29 minutes and achieving third place. Such a great result for Kaydence, especially considering she is currently only 8 years old!





# Special Catholic Character

## A Message from our Director of Religious Studies



*Taken up into  
Heaven Mary  
shows us the  
way to God,  
the way to  
Heaven, the  
way to life.  
Pope St John  
Paul the II*

Monday the 15th of August was the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, where the Catholic Church celebrates the miracle of Mary being assumed (taken body and soul into Heaven). Mary is the Patron Saint of New Zealand and holds a special place of significance to the whole Catholic Church. In all of her actions Mary is a role model for the Mission of the Church. She said Yes to God even when uncertain and gave birth to Jesus. She showed her faith and support for Jesus throughout his ministry. She is our human witness within the Gospel to Jesus' every stage of work on Earth and fully supported and followed his teachings. For all these things she acts as the first Saint and role model in the Communion of Saints. It was lovely to see so many families sharing this Feast day together on Sunday the 14th at the Suzanne Aubert 8.30am Mass.

### SUNDAY MASSES

Every Sunday morning at 8:30am Suzanne Aubert Catholic school hosts Mass with the Parish of All Saints by the Sea. Everyone is most welcome to come and celebrate the Mass together and we always have a cup of tea, coffee and biscuits afterwards. We would love to grow this celebration with more participation from the community. This Mass is aimed to be a Children's Mass with the children taking on roles and responsibilities such as singing in the music group and doing the readings/prayers. Please let me know if you are able to help. [eclayton@suzanneaubert.school.nz](mailto:eclayton@suzanneaubert.school.nz)



### TERM 3 RE LEARNING FOCUS

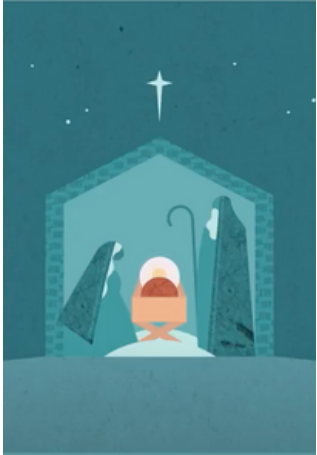
This term's RE learning focus is Kia Noho Hāhi- Being Church. As part of this learning the Hikurangi team are exploring the Sacrament of Baptism and how this welcomes us into the family of the Church. They role modelled a Baptism and then used learning adventures to respond with their understanding.





## Explore at Home: Prayer and Witness Challenge

In this week's prayer and witness challenge we explore the Hail Mary Prayer.

Pray	Listen/Watch	Create and Share
<p><i>Hail Mary, Full of Grace the Lord is with Thee.</i></p> <p><i>Blessed art thou amongst women and Blessed is the Fruit of thy womb Jesus.</i></p> <p><i>Holy Mary mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.</i></p> <p><i>Amen</i></p> 	<p>Watch this <a href="#">video</a>. A brief story of the Hail Mary Prayer.</p>  	 <p>Create a unique way to share and learn the Hail Mary Prayer. Bring your creation to school and share it.</p> 



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## KEY DATES - TERM 3

- **Primary School's Music Festival (Year 3-6 choir):** Tuesday 30 August 7pm @ Baycourt
- **Multicultural Day NZ:** Wednesday 31 August
- **Cycle Safety (Year 5-6) :** Thursday 1st - Friday 2nd September
- **Father's Day Parish & School Mass:** Sunday 4th September 8:30am
- **Life Education at school:** Monday 5 - Friday 11 September
- **Speech Cluster Finals (Year 4-6) :** Monday 5 September
- **Board of Trustees Election - Voting Closes:** Wednesday 7 September
- **Aquinas College Interviews (Year 6):** Friday 9 September at Suzanne Aubert
- **Teacher Only Day (School Closed):** Monday 12 September
- **Grandparents & Grandfriends Liturgy and Celebration:** Tuesday 13th September 9:30am
- **PTFA Quiz Night:** Friday 16 September
- **Suzanne Aubert Art Exhibition - Learning Celebration:** Week 10 (Date TBC)
- **Last Day of Term:** 30 September 2022

### YEAR 3-6 CHOIR

Our Suzanne Aubert Year 3-6 choir will be performing in the Tauranga Primary Schools Music Festival next week on Tuesday 30th August at Baycourt Theatre. This is an annual inter-school festival that celebrates singing and music. This year the theme is 'Songs from Aotearoa' and our choir will join the massed choir for the evening as well as an individual school performance. If you are interested in attending, you can purchase tickets by phone: Ticketek on 0800 842 538



### BOARD OF TRUSTEES - ELECTION UPDATE

Voting closes at 4pm on Wednesday 7 September

Nominations are now closed for the Board elections. Valid nominations have been received by:



**Ruth Dunne**



**Jan Glenn**



**Rodney Phillips**



**Amanda Sutcliffe**

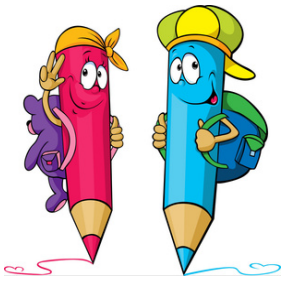


**Nikki Gurthardt**

You should by now have received your voting papers in the post. If these have not arrived, please contact the school office to advise. The voting forms need to be returned by 4pm on Wednesday 7 September. These can be dropped into the school office, or mailed to:

Returning Officer  
Suzanne Aubert Catholic School  
60 Montiicola Drive  
Papamoa 3118





# Aubert Authors!

## Why People Shouldn't Leave Rubbish on the Beach Persuasive Speech by Aviana Vergara (Year 4)

When I was in the Philippines, me and my family went to the beach and I kind of noticed that there were a bit of rubbish on the water. It's really bad for the sea animals because the rubbish might go deep underwater and the animals might think "oh what's that?" and they might eat it or get stuck on their body and it may or may not get out. Also if your rubbish is dirty and full of germs, put it in the rubbish bin and don't leave it in the ocean because the water might get dirty and it's bad for the sea animals. Don't leave plastic in the water because the animals might think it's food and they might eat it and it's bad for them. If you hadn't put rubbish in the ocean it would be a majestic and beautiful place.

Did you know that 100,000 marine animals die from the plastic pollution every year, and they die from ingesting the plastic inside them! Also The turtles, the cute innocent turtles when they ingest the plastic inside them it might injure them. Imagine if your favorite sea animal died because of the rubbish people left on the ocean. You might have left the rubbish too so maybe you should not put it on the blue wavy ocean. If you keep putting rubbish in the ocean all the marine mammals will be extinct!

Well, I hope I have convinced you to not leave your rubbish in the ocean. Thanks for listening.



## The Rainbow by Adeline Aubry (Year 1)

At the end of the rainbow you can get fire and ice super powers.

## Why Everyone Should Own A Dog

### Persuasive Speech by Sofia Denyer (Year 5)

Did you know that just over a quarter of New Zealanders own dogs? I strongly believe that everybody should have a dog, they are the most playful pet anybody could have.

You can get any breed you prefer. Did you know there are anywhere between 195 and 500 in the world of all the breeds? It's amazing but it's up to you if you want a fluffy dog or a fat dog or something like that.

Dogs are amazing. Dogs are the best pets in the world. Also because they help people to walk if they can't see. Dogs can do more things you imagine. Dogs are specially trained to help others like dogs for the blind.

Did you know that a dog's smell is 40 times better than ours. In fact your dog's sense of smell is approximately 100,000 times better so it shouldn't be shocking that they can smell everything in fact they can smell such as fear, when a human is fearful, they perspire, and a dog is easily able to pick up on change. Dogs' noses can smell drugs, weapons and even covid 19 on airline passengers.

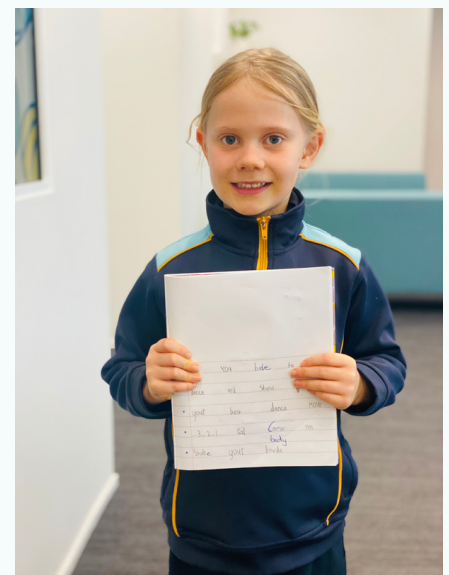
Some schools have therapy dogs. When a kid gets nervous they will lose their concentration but when there is a therapy dog it helps calm them so they can focus on their learning.



## The Dance Off

### by Zoe Braithwaite (Year 2)

You have to dance and show me your best dance move. 3....2....1, Go! Come on, shake your body. Do it faster. More, faster and stop now. Miss Clayton versus Mrs JAMES. Ready set go! It is only 20 minutes. I am going to relax. I am impressed because Miss Clayton just did a back flip. I am choosing who will win and it is Miss Clayton.





## Netball

## SPORTS UPDATE

## Basketball

Last weekend saw our Year 5-6 team the SACS Magic move to 7 aside positions for the first time. The girls were excited to try out their new positions and begin discovering where their skills and strengths are best suited.



SACS Pulse, one of our Year 3-4 teams, had a really close game against St Thomas More. Elizabeth kindly played for the other team and had a fantastic game, winning player of the day. Kaydence received MVP for some amazing intercepts!



Last week's game let our Year 5-6 basketball team, the SACS Breakers, show off all the skills they have been practicing over the season. This led to a great victory over St Mary's at QEYC.



## POLICIES & PROCEDURES

At Suzanne Aubert, we use SchoolDocs as a portal to host our policies & procedures. 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 under review in Term 3 are:

- Student Wellbeing and Safety
  - Child Protection
  - Abuse Recognition and Reporting
  - Care and Management of Students
  - Food and Nutrition
  - Sun Protection
- Staff Wellbeing and Safety
  - Staff Wellbeing
  - Harrassment



All Saints by the Sea

## All Saints by the Sea Parish Masses

We warmly invite you to attend weekend Parish Masses.

Please see Mass times below:

**Saturday:**

5:00pm (St Patrick's Te Puke)

**Sunday:**

8.30am (Suzanne Aubert School)

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



## PIZZA FUNDRAISER

Dominoes Papamoa is running another "Raise More Dough" fundraiser for our senior playground. For every pizza and lava cake sold on Saturday 3rd September, Dominos Papamoa will donate \$1 to our school fundraiser. What a great excuse to have takeaway pizza for dinner whilst watching the All Blacks take on Argentina! More details below:



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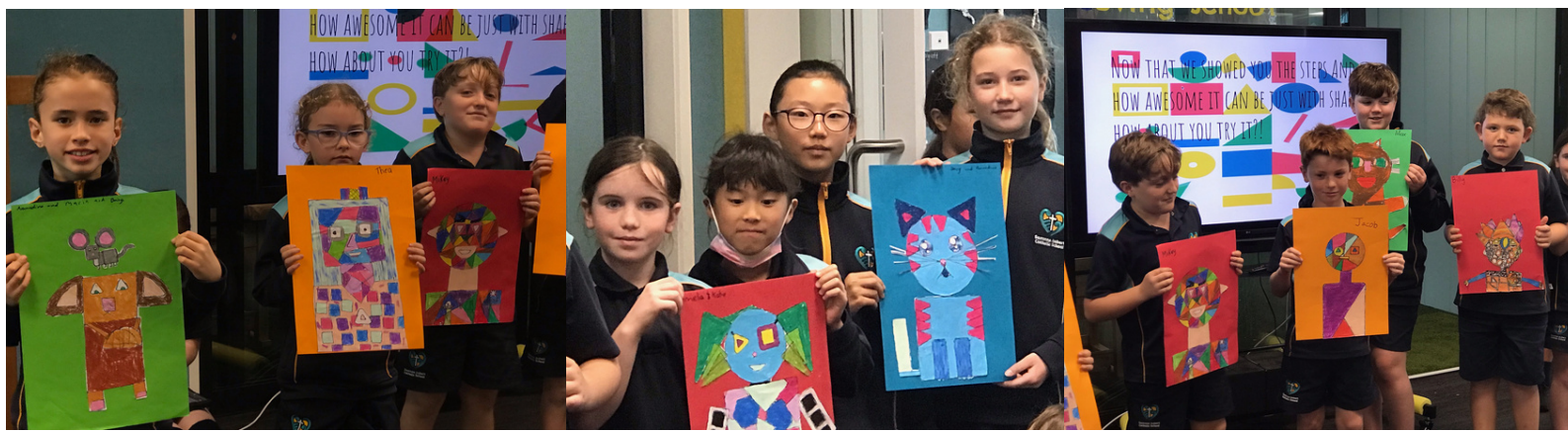
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*te pūaroha*

## MERI HŌHEPA 2023 CALENDAR

The Sisters of Compassion have their annual Suzanne Aubert/Meri Hōhepa calendar on sale from next week. The calendars cost \$12 which includes postage and handling and will be sent out mid October. If you would like to purchase a 2023 calendar and support the Sisters of Compassion in all of their wonderful work, please contact Tania Rewi on 027-641-4085 or by email at: [taniaannerewi@hotmail.com](mailto:taniaannerewi@hotmail.com)





Catholic Schools' Sports and Cultural Day - Aquinas College 15.08.22









# Grom Squad

## After School Surf Program



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