#### **YEAR 6 CAMP - NGAMUWAHINE LODGE**

Our year six learners had an exciting and memorable week at school camp along with the year five and six students from St Thomas More. Staying at Ngamuwahine Lodge in the Kaimais, they have had a busy week bush walking, kayaking, rafting and abseiling along with many other exciting and fun activities. They were also tasked with building their own bivouacs to sleep in overnight in the native bush. A little rain did not dampen their spirits. Thanks to Ms Waddel, Mrs Young and Mr Magill for ensuring our year 6 tamariki could have such an incredible experience.



#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GOLLEDGE FAMILY**

Congratulations to the Golledge family who recently welcomed a new addition to their family. Baby Joshua was born on 9th November 2022 and is a very much loved younger brother to Emily and Benji. Currently living in Auckland, we look forward to Emily and Benji returning to Suzanne Aubert at the beginning of 2023.



#### **YEAR 3 - 5 DAY CAMP**

While our Year 6 learners were away, our Year 3-5 learners enjoyed their own camp experience at school. They were very busy putting up tents, cooking damper, and taking part in all sorts of tribe challenges such as The Waka Race, Tyre Race, Tent Assembly and a number of water challenges. The children had to collaborate, problem solve and overcome obstacles to achieve success. Congratulations to the Pohutukawa Tribe who were named the inaugural Year 3-5 Day Camp Champions.





























#### **TERM DATES 2023**

TERM 1

Wednesday 1st February - Thursday 6 April

TERM 2

Wednesday 26 April - Friday 30 June

TERM 3

Monday 17 July - Friday 22 September

TERM 4

Monday 9 October - Friday 15 December

#### **KEY DATES - TERM 1**

Whanaungatanga Day: Wednesday 1st February

First day of learning: Thursday 2nd February

Waitangi Day: Monday 6th February

Whānau Picnic: Friday 10th February (Motiti Reserve)

St Patrick's Day: Friday 17th March

Last Day of Term: Thursday 6th April

Good Friday: Friday 7th April

Teacher Only Day: Monday 24th April (Term 2)

ANZAC Day: Tuesday 25th April (Term 2)

#### **HIKURANGI TRIP TO THE ROTORUA KIWI HATCHERY**

On Tuesday, our Hikurangi learners had a fabulous trip to the The National Kiwi Hatchery in Rotorua. They learned all about our wonderful native birds and even saw a baby kiwi being fed. Before returning to school, our learners enjoyed some time on the new Rotorua lake front park. Needless to say, there were some very tired tamariki on the bus ride back to Papamoa. Thank you to our generous parents who came along and supported us. It was a very special day.



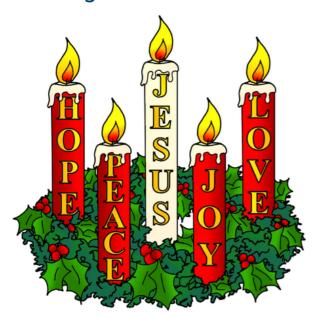
#### **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2023**

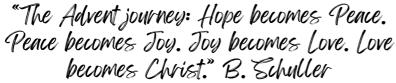
Enrolments are now open for children who are baptised to join the Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation, First Holy Communion & Confirmation for 2023. Children need to be from the age of 7 years and upwards. Sacramental preparation will begin early March 2023 (during Lent) for children and their parents/caregivers. For further information and to register your child please contact Heidi on 5754807 Ext 6 or email: pastoral@allsaintsbythesea.nz



# **Special Catholic Character**

A Message from our Director of Religious Studies





The calendar year is beginning to wind down and we have entered the Church's New Year, the season of Advent. Advent is a period of preparation before Christmas. During this season we take time to carefully prepare for the coming of Our Lord and are reminded in the Gospel to make a special effort to find ways to grow closer to God. The challenge for us every Advent is to 'Prepare the way for Lord' by walking with one another and being a comfort to one another, being witnesses of the Good News and being prophets of peace and hope. It is in being people of action, for the good of all, that we begin to know what the true presence of God means in our lives.

To keep this firmly in our hearts and minds over this hectic and busy season perhaps:

Keep an Advent wreath in your house. This can be as simple as four candles surrounded by greenery brought in from outside. Light the candles whenever is a good time for your family (meals, before leaving for school/work, end of the day before bed).

**Perform acts of giving.** This can be a simple act of kindness for neighbours, donations or volunteering for a local charity.

Devote time each day for prayer. Traditional prayers, scripture readings, prayers from the heart, or simply quiet time set aside each day help create a closer relationship to Jesus.



Make memories for the New Year. Reflect on the previous year and capture children's memories that can become part of your family story. Capture these on camera, draw pictures, write songs or journal.

Decorate a Jesse Tree. Connect the decorating of the Christmas tree to Jesus' birth through the story of the Jesse Tree.

Enjoy this special preparation time of our Advent season.

#### **ADVENT GIVING TREE**

Thank you so much to our school whānau for your incredible generosity towards our Advent Giving Tree. We are humbled by your kind donations of toys, games, books and food! The St Vincent de Paul Society collected your donations at the end of last week and these are being delivered to local families in need this Christmas.







#### **EXPLORE AT HOME: PRAYER AND WITNESS CHALLENGE**

Listen/Watch

## Dear Jesus, you are the hope in our messy world.

**Pray** 

This Advent, help us slow down, listen to your voice, and focus on what's really

We place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth on Christmas.

important.



# Watch this video prayer

exploring the first week of Advent.



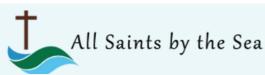
#### **Create and Share**

Create your own Jesse Tree. The Jesse tree is a traditional Catholic Christmas decoration and depicts moments from the Testament that significant for Jesus Birth. Jesse tree's are often seen during Advent and have a long history.



#### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Every Sunday morning at 8.30 am Suzanne Aubert Catholic school hosts a 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 after. 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 leading singing and doing readings. Please let me know if you are able to help in 2023. eclayton@suzanneaubert.school.nz



## **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)



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 4 are:

- Safety On and Off School Grounds
  - Health, Safety, and Welfare Policy
  - Alcohol / Drugs and Other Harmful Substances
- Digital Technology and Cybersafety

#### THE AUBERT KID AWARDS

Congratulations to our Term 4 Aubert Kid Award winners. These learners have demonstrated our 7 C's in their learning & friendships: Christlike, Curious, Compassionate, Collaborative, Courageous. Creative and Connected. These learners joined the staff for their shared morning tea as a special treat. Kia kaha tamariki!





#### Award Winners 18.11.22

Seniors L - R: Maria Turol, Millie McDonagh, Tui-May Blackburn, Lucas Quinn; Juniors L - R: Christian Lattimer, Ashton Redgate, Cooper Blewett, Isla-Lucia Bessa.





#### Award Winners 02.12.22

Seniors L - R: Ian Doroftei, Amelia Chooi, Isabelle Meech; Juniors L-R: Cartelle Ball, Isaac Harris, Cole Graham, Kahn Hepi.

#### **SUMMER LEAGUE NETBALL 2023**

If your child will be Year 6 in 2023 and is interested in playing Summer League Netball, please contact Taryn Clarke at tarynreynolds01@hotmail.com

The season starts on the 8th of February and runs through until the 15th of March with games held on a Wednesday night between 5.30 and 7.30pm. The cost is approximately \$25 per player, PLUS umpire fees. The team will be playing standard 7 aside netball. Children must be Year 6 to enter. Please note, this is not a school team.

#### **ATHLETICS DAY 2022**

After being rained off, our school athletics went ahead on Monday 14 November. The sun was shining and it was a beautiful Papamoa Day. We are very proud of our learners who competed in sprints, tabloids and field events with such courage, joy and determination. It was great to see them demonstrate the skills they have developed throughout the Term 4 PE and athletics program. Congratulations to all our place getters and thank you to our parents and whānau for your support - it was awesome to see such a great turnout! Thank you also to Brownies Coffee Cart who served up coffees on the day. Following the event, each place getter received points which contributed to the selection of our Champion Athletes. This was awarded to the girl and boy in each year level who accumulated the most points across all the events. Congratulations to our 2022 Athletics Champions:

Year 2
Kayley Badenhorst and Brax Matulino

Year 3 Sieni Ryan and Jacob Redgate

Year 4
Kaydence Martin and Jesse Ryan

Year 5
Charlotte Clarke and Corin Jackson

Year 6
Saige Silbery and Solomon Ryan

Congratulations to all our event winners and well done to all students who gave Athletics their all and made it such a successful day.



#### **PAPAMOA CLUSTERS**

Following our Athletics Day, a group of 15 of our learners represented Suzanne Aubert at the Papamoa Cluster event on Wednesday 16th November. Representing our school were: Corin Jackson, Joel Redgate, Alex Smyth, Amelia Chooi, Charlotte Clarke, Kyla Matulino, Sofia Denyer, Jivraj Bhasin, Georgia Finch, Amandine Aubry, William McGill, Solomon Ryan, Lucy Dunne, Saige Silbery, and Irene Seo. This was a very important event as it was the first time our kura was represented in this cluster. There was tough competition in all events but our athletes showed lots of determination and should be proud of their efforts. We came away with three placings - Charlotte (first in discus), Amandine (third in high jump) and Sofia (third in long jump). We are very proud of the achievements of all our tamariki.



### **OUR 2022 ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS**













