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Message from our Tumuaki

MONDAY 22 MAY 2023

Tena koutou katoa whānau. Nau mai, haere mai ki te Hata Meri Hōhepa - te Kura Katorika o Papamoa. It has been a memorable few weeks of learning at Suzanne Aubert as we begin to explore our Term 2 learning theme: 'HAERENGA - JOURNEY'. This links to our value of 'curiosity'.

We are guided by our whakatauki:

'Ko te pae tawhiti whāia kia tata, ko te pae tata whakamaua kia tīna.'

'Seek out distant horizons and cherish those you attain.'

Across the school, our learners have been developing their understanding of this concept in a variety of ways:

- Identifying the symbolic historic journeys of Saints, prophets and other characters in scripture
- Developing their orienteering skills through interpreting, creating and following maps
- Researching the lives and journeys of significant explorers in New Zealand history
- Exploring the function and features of a variety of modes of transport through history

We also launched our term with our annual Bookweek celebration. This event was a great success and an exciting way for us to promote a love for books and develop reading skills in our Suzanne Aubert learning community. Highlights from our Bookweek have been:

- The blessing and opening of our new hub libraries in each team environment
- A visit and writer's workshops with local children's author Angie Belcher
- Our inaugural Scholastic Bookfair which has successfully raised funds towards our school libraries
- Buddy reading opportunities between our senior and junior learners to develop tuakana teina
- Our annual Book Character Day and the incredible creativity of our learners in their costumes

Please enjoy this panui of highlights from our last few weeks at Suzanne Aubert Catholic School.

Ngā mihi nui, Anthony Mills (Principal - Tumuaki)





BOOK WEEK



During the first two weeks of term two, we celebrated Book Week at Suzanne Aubert. This involved a number of exciting activities - the opening of our two libraries within the learning hubs, a visit from a local author, Scholastic Book Fair and Book Character Day to finish the celebrations off.

LIBRARY HUBS

After some hard work processing, labelling and cataloguing books, our libraries in the Harakeke and Kawakawa hubs were officially opened with a special liturgy to bless and launch the spaces. Father Richard blessed the books with holy water, the learners prayed special prayers and the ribbon was officially cut!



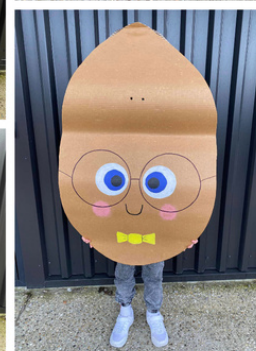
VISITING AUTHOR

On Wednesday May 3rd, we were privileged to have local author Angie Belcher come to our Kura. She shared her wealth of experience as well as the ingredients she sees as most important to becoming a writer. Later she took small group writing workshops to expand and demonstrate her knowledge. Angie is the author of many books including "The Girls in the Kapahaka" and "The Boys in the Waka Ama" and we are very grateful to her for taking the time to visit our Kura.



BOOK CHARACTER DAY

Book Character Day was a great way to conclude our Bookweek at Suzanne Aubert and celebrate our love for reading! It was awesome to see everyone put in such a great effort! Congratulations to our prize winners from each Whānau class: Charlotte, Indy, Angel, Max, Giulia, Lachlan and Cloud and to our special mentions: Manaia, Daisy and Magnus.





SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

During week one and two of term two, we held our inaugural Scholastic Book Fair at School. Our learners loved visiting the book fair with their whānau classes and creating a wish list out of all of the wonderful books on offer. Thank you to all of our families that supported the book fair. Due to the number of sales made over the two weeks, our school has accumulated over \$1,000 in book voucher rewards to spend at Scholastic Books. Such a great result for our first book fair and for adding stock to our newly created library hubs. Thank you to Maria and Miss Clayton for your organisation and management of such a successful Bookfair.



JOURNEY TO INDIA

As part of the big idea of Journey, our Hikurangi learners took a journey to India. Thanks to Jatinder, Amandeep and Lovepreet Kaur (grandmother and mothers of Manseerat, Amreen and Shehbaz) for coming in and entertaining our learners with traditional Punjabi dancing, costumes and music.

They were also treated to a cooking demonstration of Chicken Biryani which the children and teachers then ate for lunch. Many learners also received a henna tattoo on their hands





HAERE MAI TO OUR NEW LEARNERS

We are very excited to welcome eight new learners into the Suzanne Aubert whānau. Joining our new entrants in Miss Kraakman's whānau class are Cloud Macazo, Hugo Ferguson, Henry Harris and Elise Nicolas-Lawson. We also have Everly Moolman joining our Kawakawa hub and will be in Mrs Wasley's whānau class. Finally, joining our Harakeke learners, we have Zoey Dewing in Whānau Swart-Mills and Gypsy Gregg in Whānau Waddel. Excitingly, we also have Akaalsimar Singh rejoining our Kura after some time livening in Tokoroa. These learners have already been demonstrating such courage in their transition to start school. Welcome to our Kura tamariki!



Cloud Macazo



Hugo Ferguson



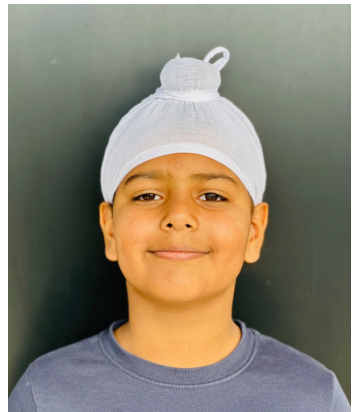
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WELCOME JANINE

We are also excited to have Mrs Janine McKenzie joining our teaching team as a Learning Assistant in the Harakeke hub. Janine is a trained Primary School teacher who has more recently been working in early childhood education.





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AUBERT KID AWARDS

Congratulations to our Aubert Kid Award winners. These learners have demonstrated our 7 C's in their learning and friendships: Christlike, Compassionate, Collaborative, Courageous, Creative and Connected. They will join the staff for their shared morning tea as a special treat this term. Kia kaha tamariki! Our most recent award recipients are:



L-R: Geovana Espindola, Ella Cartwright, Mia Maka, Cartelle Ball, Isla-Lucia Bessa, Jivraj Bhasin, Leo



L-R: Shebhaz Singh, Lachlan Kachelhoffer, Jack Chapman, Ashton Redgate, Katie Dunne, Maddy, Jackson Speirs and Kahn Hepi.



SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

A reminder that our school cross country will be held tomorrow at the Wairakei Reserve (opposite Golden Sands School). Races will commence at 11am with a guide of times below:

- 11:00am Year 1 Girls
- 11:10am Year 1 Boys
- 11:20am Year 2 Girls
- 11:30am Year 2 Boys
- 11:40am Year 3 Girls & Boys (3 minutes apart)
- 11:50am Year 4 Girls & Boys (3 minutes apart)
- 12:00pm Year 5 Girls & Boys (3 minutes apart)
- 12:10pm Year 6 Girls & Boys (3 minutes apart)



The children must wear shoes as they will be running through the reserve. In addition, our PTFA will be fundraising for our senior playground selling slices of Pizza after the last race for a gold coin donation.

In the event of cancellation due to weather, we will notify via Hero and email first thing tomorrow. It will then be postponed to Thursday 25 May.

Special Catholic Character

A Message from our Director of Religious Studies



Heavenly Father, our hearts are so full of joy today. You feel so near to us on this most special celebration of Easter. May the love we feel this morning stay with us the rest of the day and always. Amen

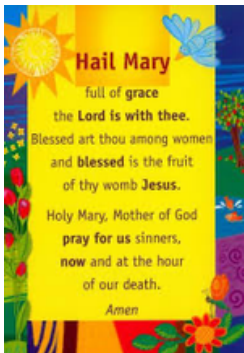

The month of May is the month of Mary. Mary is the patron Saint of New Zealand and has a special role in guiding our missionary Church. You are probably sick of me talking about Mary as whenever I think of her life and achievements I am in awe and love to share. Mary was the first follower of Jesus, the Gospel of Luke often frames pivotal events with the comment 'she kept this in her heart and remembered.' She witnessed everything and saw it as a Mother watching events unfold and kept the tale to share with others. She is our strongest advocate and during this month Catholics typically offer up prayers and devotion to Mary both at Church and in the home.

For us at Suzanne Aubert Catholic school it is important to know that before founding her own order the Sisters of Compassion, Suzanne was a member of a Marian order whose works and values were based on the life and philosophy of Mary and that these greatly influenced how the Sisters of Compassion were established.

It is also important to remember that we are in the Liturgical Season of Easter. The Season of Easter is the most joyous and special season for the Church. We often see Easter as only the Sunday of the resurrection but in reality the Season of Easter lasts just as long as Lent and should be given more consideration. What are you doing to celebrate our everlasting life, gifted to us through the resurrection of Christ

EXPLORE AT HOME: PRAYER AND WITNESS CHALLENGE

In this week's prayer and witness challenge we explore the Mary's Month - the month of May

Pray	Listen/Watch	Create and Share
<p><i>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</i></p>	<p>Listen and watch this Hail Mary song - Hail Mary Echo song</p> <p>What did you enjoy about this song? Is this something the whole family can enjoy? Where have the words from this song come from?</p> 	<p>Create a craft that celebrates Mary and use it as part of your family prayer focus this months.</p> 

SPORTS UPDATE

Our tamariki have been involved in a variety of sporting activities over the past few weeks, with a number of other exciting opportunities still to come this term. Some highlights include:

WBoP ROCK CLIMBING COMPETITION

On Tuesday 2nd May, Beau and Keira Guthardt competed at the Western Bay of Plenty Rock Climbing competition at Rocktopia in Mount Maunganui. Beau and Keira competed well with Beau finishing 3rd overall in the Year 3 Boys and Keira finish 7th overall in the Year 1-3 Girls.



ROTORUA MINI MARATHON

Two of our year 5 learners, Domenico Basile and Kaydence Martin recently completed the Rotorua Mini Marathon. Over the school holidays, Domenico and Kaydence ran a total of 40km with the final 2 km being run in front of our Harakeke learners on Friday 5th May. A dedicated and courageous effort from these two tamariki, who are both members of the local Harriers club.



THE AMAZING RACE

The sun was shining and it was a stunning Autumnal Bay of Plenty day when six of our senior learners competed in the Inter Schools Amazing Race Challenge out at Te Puna Quarry. When asked how it was, the girls said "it was challenging, very muddy and not what we expected. But it was lots of fun."



BASKETBALL

The basketball season has now started and our Little League Team the SACS Warriors had their first game on Monday,. Unfortunately, due to all the colds and bugs flying around they fielded a depleted team of 3 players. Lachlan, Ashton and Luke all put in an immense effort and were completely unfazed that the opposing team had 6 players. They showed great courage, commitment and effort, playing for the entire 22 minutes right through to the final whistle. In the end - they came away with a 2-2 draw! #Courageous

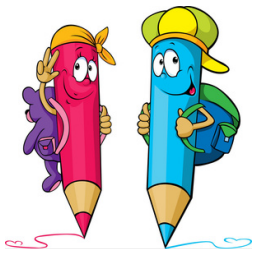


UPCOMING EVENTS

- WBoP Primary Football Festival (Year 5 and 6) - Wednesday 24 May 2023 ([complete this Google Form](#)).
- 5 Aside Rugby Tournament Year 5/6: If your child is interested in playing tackle rugby, there will be a clinic on Wednesday 17 May where they will be going through the different tackle drills and rules. Mouthguards are required for this.
- Funky Fun Day (Year 3 and 4) - Monday 19, Wednesday 21 or Thursday 22 June (Date TBC)
- ARGOS Gymnastics Festival (see flyer at the end of this newsletter) Please let Mr Moolman know if you would like to take part in any of the 3 categories: Artistic, Rhythmic, and Trampoline

Ngā mihi nui

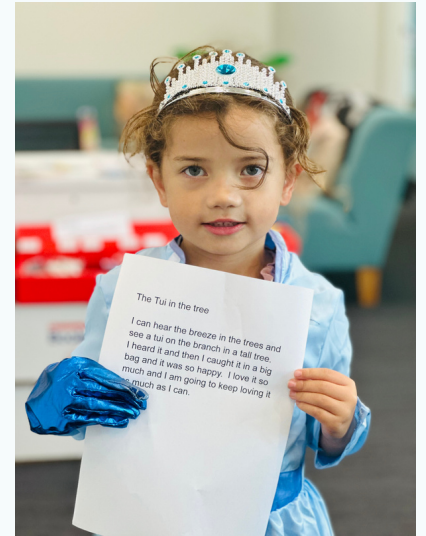
Mr Quintin Moolman - Active Learning Kaiarahi



Aubert Authors!

The Tui in the Tree by Mia Maka, Year 1

I can hear the breeze in the trees and
see a tui on the branch in the tall tree.
I heard it and then I caught it in a big
bag and it was so happy. I love it so
much and I am going to keep loving it
as much as I can.

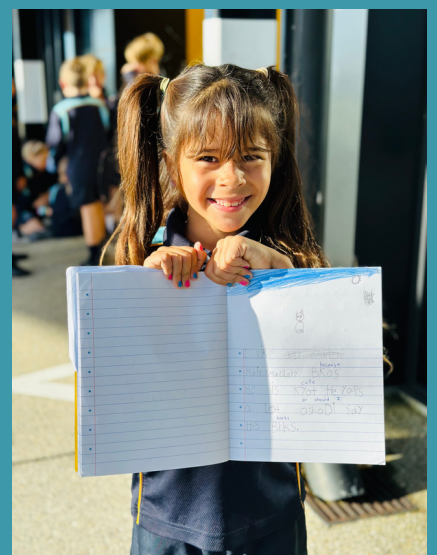


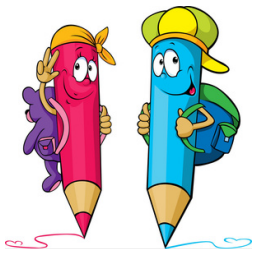
My Hunting Trip by Jack Chapman, Year 2

I went hunting. I shot a deer through the
neck. I saw glow worms and I saw hairs
or threads on them and I saw a possum.
I saw a humoungous stag, it is a type of
deer. I went across a few bridges and I
got hurt by the blackberries. It was at
Mr Dowers house and I went with my dad.
I heard trees rustling.

Hairy Maclary by Aria North, Year 2

I like Hairy Maclary because he is cute.
He yaps a lot, or should I say he barks!





Aubert Authors!

The Tui in the Tree by Maria Turol, Year 6

It all started on a sunny day and me and my friends were cooped up inside something with chairs, a teacher and a room. By the way I am Maria and these are my friends Mia and Thea.

Mia and Thea are twins. Thea and Mia had dark brown hair, deep blue eyes, long eyelashes, and big blue bows. Suddenly, as soon as the bell went we all zoomed out of the classroom. Me and my friends walked to the park. In a flash we saw someone and all I knew was that she was not a friend.

Why are you here? "Maria said. Why are you here? She mimicked back. Stop Gypsy. Gypsy pushed Maria and Maria fell. Gypsy walked away. Maria, are you ok? Mia and Thea said. Yeah. Luckily, Maria was brave.

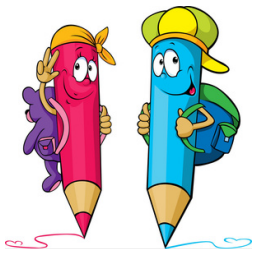
Suddenly Maria found something that she had just found in the corner of her eye: it was a tunnel. Should we go in it. Said Mia. Yeah let's do it, said Thea.

We could just fit the tunnel and then we saw a big wide door but the tunnel still went on. Suddenly, the door opened. Hello. Who are you. I am Maria and these are my friends Mia and Thea.

I am Domenico and these are my friends Kaydence and Lauren. Oh no the bully is here. Who is the bully? Said Domenico. Gypsy. GO AWAY! Wish. You blocked the entrance with your ice power.

This tunnel is like a maze. Said Thea. I'm sure we can help out if you like. Said Domenico. Yeah of course. Said Kaydence, and Lauren. Well Let's get going. Said Kaydence.

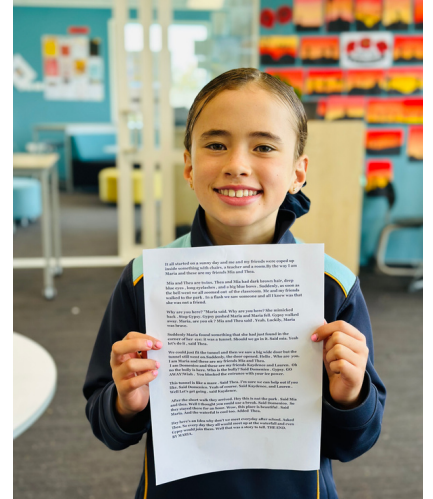
After the short walk they arrived. Hey this is not the park. Said Mia and Thea. Well I thought you could use a break. Said Domenico. So they stayed there for an hour. Wow, this place is beautiful. Said Maria. And the waterfall is cool too. Added Thea.



Aubert Authors!

Hey here's an Idea why don't we meet everyday after school. Asked Thea. So every day they all would meet up at the waterfall and even Gypsy would join them. Well that was a story to tell.

THE END.



How many Kumaras can you grow from a single Kumara ?

The answer is 207!

Nina from PiPs and our Stem Kaiarahi were incredibly excited when they finally dug up the kumara bed today to find 207 kumara ranging in size from very small to "the biggest kumara ever," as you can see from the photos below. These kumara all came from a single kumara that back in November they cut in half, and soaked in water until green shoots started to appear. Once the shoots were long enough, they were planted into our garden. The result - 207 kumara and some very excited tamariki.



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DATES	EVENTS
Monday 24 April	Teacher Only Day - Professional Growth Cycle, Neuro-Diversity and Healthy Active Learning - Sport BOP (school is closed)
Tuesday 25 April	ANZAC Day - Public Holiday (school is closed)
Wednesday 26 April	First day of learning - Mihi Whakatau at 11:10am to welcome new learners
Wednesday 26 April - Friday 5 May	Book Week - We will be hosting visiting authors, entering writing competitions, celebrating the opening of our hub libraries and promoting a love for reading!
Monday 1 May	Catholic Schools Sports and Cultural Exchange - Rotorua (Year 5-6 only)
Wednesday 3 May	School Band Auditions - Year 3-6 (12:30-2:30pm)
Friday 5 May	Book Character Day - Dress up as your favourite Book Character!
Friday 12 May	Amazing Race - Te Puna Quarry (Year 5-6 team only)
Friday 19 May	Pink Shirt Day (Anti-Bullying) - Wear something pink this day!
Tuesday 23 May	School Cross Country (postponement Thursday 25 May)
Sunday 28 May	Pentecost Sunday - the Birthday of the Church
Tuesday 30 May	Papamoa Cluster Cross Country - Year 4-6 qualifiers
Monday 5 June	King's Birthday - Public holiday (school is closed)
Tuesday 6 June	Teacher Only Day - Kahui Ako Community of Learning (school is closed)
Sunday 11 June	First Holy Communion and Confirmation at St Thomas More Church
Friday 16 June	Mid Year Learning Progress Reports available on HERO
Wednesday 21 & Thursday 22 June	Whānau Learning Conferences (book through School Interviews online)
Sunday 25 June	Suzanne Aubert Birthday - Parish and School Mass at school (8:30am)
Wednesday 28 June	Fresh Moves Dance Festival - Baycourt Theatre
Friday 30 June	Last day of term - school finishes at 2:30pm

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