



Faith City School Newsletter

Edition 2 - Term 1 - 19 March 2021

Dear Parents, Teachers, and Students

Term 1 is certainly flying by! We suddenly find ourselves here at school building up to Easter. We will be learning about the centre of our belief as Christians through school activities and in our classes. It is a privilege to be able to freely share the gospel message with our students; explaining how God’s love is expressed through the Passion of Christ and the redeeming power of the work accomplished by Jesus on the cross – we no longer face separation from God, the veil of the Temple being torn in two so that we freely receive His grace, which allows us to come to the throne of God and enter into deep relationship with Him. At Faith City, we pray you would be blessed and grounded in His Love over the Easter period.

The students have been fantastic this term. They are working very well. Their behaviour is respectful and, they are doing very well on the sports fields. Well done, Faith City Students! Keep it going!

Kickstart Breakfast has begun here for the students on Tuesday and Thursday mornings before school. Thank you to the parents who are volunteering to make this happen. We were surprised by the number of kids who came for breakfast - it was awesome. We will need to stop students coming in for breakfast after 8.45am to ensure they are ready for class. We will start service at 8.20am so we have a bit more time, due to the number of students coming in. If you are available to help that would be greatly appreciated, please let our Administration Team know.

There has been some great work being done on the back field behind the school. Drains have been laid to take excess water away, the piles of dirt have been bulldozed and development of the bike park is underway. There is still a bit to do but it is getting close. A big thank you to Scott Dowman for the volunteering of machinery and work hours to get it this far! And to other helpers such as Tim Price and Ash Penn – it is greatly appreciated. The students are really looking forward to its opening in the not-too-distant future.

God Bless
Nga Mihi Nui

Marty Bullock
Principal



UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

End of Term 1:

Friday 16 April 2021

Easter Break:

Friday 2 April to Tuesday 6
April (school is back
Wednesday 7 April)

Teacher Only Day:

Thursday 1 April

Term 2:

Monday 3 May to Friday 9
July

Swimming Dates:

Friday 19 March

Friday 26 March

Student Leaders

Congratulations to our Year 8 student leaders. These students will assist and lead in different areas around the school.

Environment – Kay-Leigh, Tobin & Shane

Sport – Ihaka, Mana, Izayah, Mischa, Elijah & Elisha

Learning/Library – Sarah, Mia, Emma & Gracie

Service – Jimmy, Peyton, David, Jackson & Jahlyiah

Classroom Catch Up

Room 4 – Dancing & Badminton

Room 4 students enjoying performing elements of creative dance last week.



Our Yr 7 & 8 students held their final badminton competition last Wednesday. This was an opportunity for all students to put the skills taught over the last 5 weeks into practise.

Congratulations to the following students:

Jimmy 1st Yr 8 Boys
Elijah 2nd Yr 8 Boys
Elisha 3rd Yr 8 Boys
Jackson 4th Yr 8 Boys

Mischa 1st Yr 8 Girls
Gracie 2nd Yr 8 Girls
Jahlyiah 3rd Yr 8 Girls
Sarah 4th Yr 8 Girls

Zion 1st Yr 7 Boys
Jack 2nd Yr 7 Boys
Levi 3rd Yr & Boys
Jacob 4th Yr 7 Boys

Ruby 1st Yr 7 Girls
Setia 2nd Yr 7 Girls
Jasmine 3rd Yr 7 Girls
Micha 4th Yr 7 Girls

Room 6 – We've Been Thinking!

Room 6 drew pictures and symbols to show what they might be thinking. Contrasting and complementary colours were chosen to catch their viewer's attention.



After School Pick Up

Just a reminder that students need to be collected from school by 3.30pm.

If for any reason you will be late please contact your child's class teacher or administration.

PTA News

Picnic BBQ Fundraiser

Thanks for the fantastic support of the picnic BBQ fundraiser! The total profit was \$707.60. Funds will be going towards the bike track!

Hat Update

Orders have been placed, however, there is a slight delay on the hats due to waiting for stock. Will keep you updated on an expected delivery date as soon as we know.

Easter Hot Cross Buns

Thanks to all the families that ordered Easter buns. They will be ready for pick up from the gym lounge on Wednesday 24th of March afterschool.

Upcoming Fundraiser

We have been donated a small load of firewood (pine & wattle) to auction off as a fundraiser. This will be a silent auction to which you add your bid and the highest bid will take the load of wood. More details to follow.

Next meeting will be on the 25th March. Please see one of the team if you would like to be involved!

School Library

Book Recommendations:

If your child has loved a book or book series that you think could be enjoyed by other children at our school then we would love to hear about it. You can email Robyn at admin@faithcity.school.nz or call into the office and let us know.

Lucky Book Club:

Any orders that are placed for books from the Lucky Book Club earn rewards for our school library so that we can purchase books or items such as display stands. This is a great help to us and if you have placed orders then we appreciate you supporting us in this way.

Games:

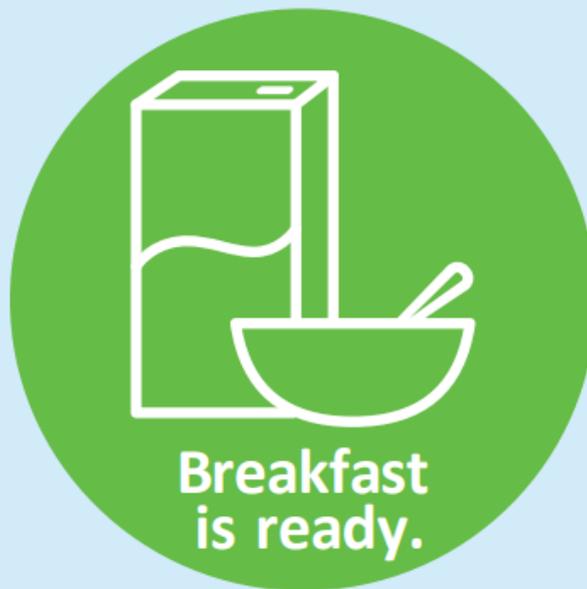
As an alternative play area for children, particularly in the winter, we would like to have games available in the library for them when the library is open during a lunch break. Donations of any games that are no longer used at home and are in great condition would be very welcome.

PE Uniform

Our new PE uniform will be ready to purchase soon. Please do not purchase the old style. If students require new PE gear and the new uniform is not available for purchase students can then use a neat t-shirt and shorts until they arrive.

If you have the old style PE gear, your child will be able to continue to wear it for 2021 but we will be phasing it out and would like all students in the new one for 2022.

If you are able to buy the new one as soon as possible that would be great.



Breakfast
is ready.

Come on in.

LOCATION: Faith City Church Lounge

TIME: FROM 8.20am TO 8.45am

DAY:

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday



KickStart
BREAKFAST



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DEVELOPMENT**
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