



Faith City School Newsletter

Edition 7 - Term 3 - 20 August 2021

From the Principal's Desk

Nga mihi nui i te whanau o te kura Hapori o te Whakapono.

Greetings to you from Faith City School.

So much has been, and is happening in the life of the school this term – time seems to be going so fast – what is the saying? Time flies when you're having fun! There is certainly much fun happening at school.

Cross Country - The students are training every day for the cross country run next week. This is always a highlight for us as a school. This year the students won't be released from school until after the prizegiving at 3pm. A programme for the event start times is included in the newsletter.

Faith City Church Seminar – Empowering Whanau Parenting Conference is next week on the 26th and 27th of August. There is a creche available too.

We live in an age where there is incredible pressure on parents and families, and so I highly recommend you attend this conference if you are able – the speakers are highly recommended. The school and church are sponsoring some payments for parents to attend. If you would like to access this support, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Adventure/Camp Week will soon be here in Term 4 where students will attend Camps and other Adventures.

You will receive more details regarding this shortly from your child's teachers. We are going to be running some fundraising events over the next weeks up until camp, to help with the costs. We are endeavouring to keep costs as low as possible and will need a small donation from you to be able to access the EOTC events for the kids. Your support with this will be greatly appreciated.

Pacific Celebration Day - Later this term we are running a Pacific Celebration Day as part of our Theme study on the Pacific. We intend on having rotation activities in the morning, a Performing Arts session before lunch with sports games at lunch time and a walk through of the classrooms to see the students' studies. We will also have another Colourful Shirt Day on this day.

Grumpy Old Men Shed - We received a donation from the Grumpy Old Men Shed this term for \$500, which will be used to purchase extra sports equipment. Thank you to the Grumpy Old Men - they are grumpy – but awesome!

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

Term 3:

Monday 26 July to
Friday 1 October

Cross Country:

Tuesday 24 August
at 1pm

School Speeches:

Wednesday 25
August at 1pm

Empowering Whanau Parenting Seminar:

Thursday 26
August from 6pm
to 8.50pm &
Friday 27 August
8.30am to 2.30pm

World Vision Award – Our school was awarded two awards for the contribution made by our students to World Vision. The students raised over \$3000, which was really great considering the number of students in year 7 and 8 at our school. Mrs Little was also recognised for the support of the World Vision 20-hour Famine project. Tumeke, Mrs Little! These awards were only awarded to one school with in the lower North Island from Taupo down to Wellington.

Faith City School Church Service at Faith City Church – on the 12th of September at 10am - We have not held a School Church Service for a few years. We would like this to be an annual event as it offers the student opportunities around service in church and builds a better network between our school and church. Please do make every effort to plan and attend this service.

Prayer of Faith - Each of us face struggles and challenges and things that we would love to change. In Ephesians 3:20 it says, 'God, who is able, through His mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than what we might ask or think'. This challenges us to prayer and faith, that God can solve those seemingly unsolvable problems.

Ma te Wa. God Bless! Marty Bullock

Room 1 & 2 – Pasifika Learning

Last week, Room 1 and 2 enjoyed this tabletop activity with Lia Connor. Lia has been working with the staff and children to support Pasifika learning in our classrooms.

There were many discussions around Samoa as they explored and played with the resources that were put out. We enjoyed some singing and learning during our mat time as well.

Thanks Lia, we enjoyed our time with you!



Room 3 – Pasifika Countries

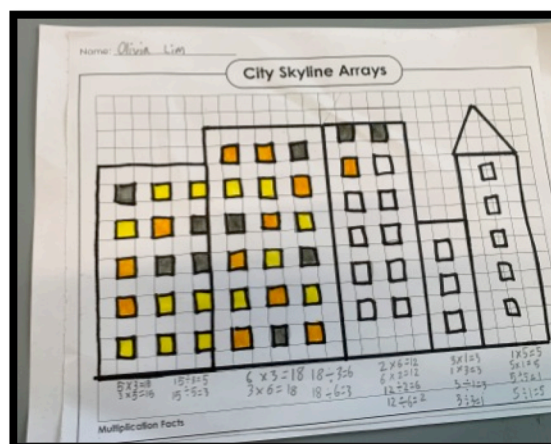
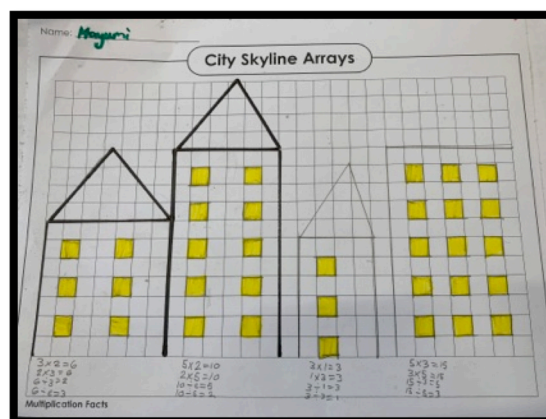
In Room 3 we have begun learning about the different Pasifika peoples who live on the Pacific Islands of Tonga, Fiji, Vanuatu, and the Solomon Islands. We are working in groups to find out the following information:

- Their flag,
- Map of where the island is in the Pacific,
- Traditional clothing,
- Traditional food,
- Traditional housing and current house styles,
- Celebrations that are important, and
- Anything else that the children are interested in learning.



Room 6 – Multiplication Cities

Room 6 are making cities using their understanding of arrays for multiplication.



Room 5 – Decimals

In Room 5 we have been tackling decimals head on. We have been learning how to count in tenths and hundredths. Now we are ordering, comparing and rounding decimals. We also understand that decimals can be put on a number line just like fractions.

Yesterday we used a calculator to count up and back in tenths. Adding money, measuring temperature and using millimeters on a ruler are all real life examples of how we can use decimals.

We are going to continue our whole class study of “Decimals to Tenths” in the next few weeks, which combines powerpoints, videos, discussions, practice sheets and group problems solving problems.

Room 4 - Tennis

Room 4 students have been training at the Whanganui Tennis Courts for the last three weeks in preparation for their super six racquet sports day this Thursday.

It's great to learn new sporting skills.



Faith City School Cross Country



Once again this year our Cross Country Competition will be held on the school grounds. It is next Tuesday, 24 August, starting at 1pm.

Students love to see their parents, siblings, grandparents, caregivers and supporters there to cheer them on so please come along.

Below is our timetable for this event.

1.05pm

- ★ 5 & 6 year old boys race
- ★ 5 & 6 year old girls race

1.25pm

- ★ 7 & 8 year old boys race
- ★ 7 & 8 year old girls race

1.45pm

- ★ 9 & 10 year old boys race
- ★ 9 & 10 year old girls race

2.15pm

- ★ 11+ year old boys race
- ★ 11+ year old girls race

2.45pm

- ★ Prizegiving in the Gym Lounge

3.00pm

- ★ School Finishes

Fundraising for School Adventures & Camps



With our school day trips and camps coming up next term we will be holding a sausage sizzle every couple of weeks on a Friday to help with the cost.

Sausages will be \$2.00 each.

Money is to be handed into teachers by Thursday please.

Our first sausage sizzle will be coming up soon.

Faith City School

Thanks to the below businesses for sponsoring our school app:



If you would like to advertise on the Faith City School Skool Loop App please email Content@skoolloop.com



To download our app: In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose Faith City School once installed.

World Vision 20 Hour Famine Senior School




This year Faith City School won an award for our participation in the 20 Hour Famine. It is The Compassion, Ngākau Aroha Award; for showing kindness and compassion in your community and beyond in this year's World Vision 40 Hour Famine. Our senior students took on the challenge together. And on Tuesday 10th August World Vision came to school and presented our students with the trophy.

Altogether our students raised \$3,328.80 for children in sub-Saharan Africa. That's enough to provide 126 families with a chicken in sub-Saharan Africa!



For Parents of Our Year 8 Students

*Do you have a young person starting Secondary School in 2022?
Research shows that students who enrol early at their next school have a more positive transition experience.
Enrol your child at the Secondary School of your choice now!
Check out the Enrolment Info below.*

SECONDARY SCHOOL	DATES OF INTEREST	ENROLMENT INFORMATION	CONTACT INFORMATION
WHANGANUI HIGH SCHOOL 	Whanganui High is still accepting enrolments. Please contact the school office for an enrolment pack as soon as possible.	Parents can take a guided tour of our school site with the Principal, showcasing classes in action with live teaching and learning and will include other areas of interest around the school. Please arrange this through the school office.	Phone: 06 349 0178 Address: Purnell St, Whanganui Email: office@whs.ac.nz Web: whs.ac.nz
WHANGANUI GIRLS COLLEGE 	Please call into Whanganui Girls' College or phone so a time can be made to have a tour of our school. Enrolments are always welcome.	If whanau wish to enrol their tamaiti, then we complete an enrolment interview with them prior to their start date to meet the whanau and start that connection of getting to know them.	Phone: 06 349 0944 Address: 21 Jones Street, Whanganui Email: admin@wgc.ac.nz Web: wgc.ac.nz
WHANGANUI CITY COLLEGE 	Please call into Whanganui City College so a time can be made for a tour of our school.	Please note that all new students have an enrolment interview with our principal.	Phone: 06 349 0180 Address: 84 Ingestre St, Whanganui Email: office@wcc.school.nz Web: wcc.school.nz
WHANGANUI COLLEGIATE SCHOOL 	Our Tour Days take place each term. Our next Tour Day is scheduled for Saturday 20th November.	Upcoming Tour Dates: Saturday 20th November. Personal tours can be arranged outside of the set dates.	Phone: 06 349 0210 Address: 132 Liverpool St, Whanganui Email: admissions@collegiate.school.nz Web: collegiate.school.nz
NGA TAWA DIOCESAN SCHOOL 	Action Days 2021 Friday 13 August 2021 Friday 29th October 2021	Please contact Nga Tawa Diocesan School to enquire about enrolment or register for an Action Day through our website. Personal tours can be arranged outside of the set dates.	Phone: 06 327 6429 ext; 7801 Address: 164 Calico Line, Marton Email: brannellytracey@ngatawa.school.nz Web: ngatawa.school.nz
CULLINANE COLLEGE 	An enrolment pack is available from the college office. All processes for enrolment will be explained at this time. Upon completion of the enrolment documents, an appointment to meet the Principal is made for you and your child.	If families would like a tour of the College, this can be arranged either prior to application or at the time of the interview. We encourage all prospective families to view our website for more information about our school.	Phone: 06 343 7978 Address: 15 Peat St, Whanganui Email: aquirk@cullinane.school.nz Web: cullinanecollege.school.nz

 Takitini Hauora

We have also received information regarding the Kiley Family Memorial Trust Scholarships for Secondary and Boarding Scholarships.

The Kiley Family Memorial Trust was established by John and Peter Kiley in August 2000 with the purpose of assisting students to meet their secondary education costs in New Zealand.

Secondary Scholarships are awarded to assist students:

- To pursue their secondary studies in the field of agriculture or who have included agriculture in their field of study
- Who plan to attend Taranaki / Whanganui Schools or Wellington based Catholic Schools in 2022.

Preference is given to students from less well-off backgrounds who would otherwise have difficulty paying their school fees and meeting other school costs.

If you would like more information regarding this scholarship please let us know.