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Faith City School Newsletter

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From the Principal's desk

Dear Faith City School family and community

The school term has begun very positively, with students working particularly well in class and participating nicely in winter sport. Our recent Super 6 Netball competition was held at Laird Park. Our team won the competition for the first time at A grade level, and we also won the overall competition. Our Contributing Schools netball team, Year 5-6, also competed in their competition and came first place in the all-girls section. It so good to see our students enjoying their sport and competing so well! Thank you to our volunteer coaches and parents who have helped.

The Kickstart Breakfast, now on Wednesdays along with Tuesdays and Thursdays, continues to go well. Feel free to encourage your children to eat breakfast with us – there is plenty of weetbix, milk and milo. We'd also be happy for you to come in and eat with your children. We have an awesome group of parent volunteers who are making breakfast happen. Thank you, parents, and nannies! If you are free to help, let the office know and we can roster you on.

We are in the middle of School Board of Trustees elections – more information regarding nominees will be sent out when nominations close this coming Wednesday.

The preparations for the school production are going very well. There is a sense of growing excitement among the students. Their dance practices and acting sessions are going really well. There is still a lot to do! Pray for us as we prepare and endeavour to get everything in place for the production. If you can help with costuming, sewing, makeup, props etc. – please let us know.

I recently attended a documentary produced by a local Year 13 student at Whanganui Collegiate – Elliot Jones – in dealing with Dyslexia. The purpose of the documentary was to change the narrative around dyslexia from it being a barrier to it being a 'superpower'. We heard the stories of prominent New Zealanders who are doing great things, not despite of, but due to these superpowers. It was incredibly uplifting. I would like to invite our parent group to watch the documentary and then discuss ways in which we can help support our dyslexic and neurodiverse students to tap into their own superpowers and be better able to navigate the education system. I'll look to calendar this for early Term 4.

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

Term Three:

**Monday 25
July to Friday
30 September**

Cross Country:

**Tuesday 30
August**

**The Lion, the
Witch & the
Wardrobe
Musical
Evening
Performances:**

**Tuesday 20
September at
6pm**

**Thursday 22
September at
6pm**

**Sunday 25
September at
5pm**

I leave you with the following scripture, that encourages us to come and enter into the amazing benefits God has for us and that despite the often-unpleasant difficulties we face every day, when we take shelter in Him we can experience the opposite of stress and anxiety, instead knowing love, joy and peace! Psalm34:8, 'Taste and see that the Lord is good. Oh, the joys of those who take refuge in Him!'

Bless you everyone

Marty Bullock

Garage Sale

Friday 26 August 1.30pm to 3.30pm

In front of shed (by outdoor basketball area)

There will be a variety of things for sale, come and make us an offer!



Zero Waste – Litterless Lunchboxes

Just a reminder that from 22 August all food waste, packaging and uneaten food will go home in students' lunchboxes.

This may be an excellent chance to talk to your children about what is going into their lunchboxes and how we show respect for the environment.

Thank you in advance for your support in this initiative.

Room 1 - Quark

This is room one's resident puppet, Quark. He recently spent some time talking to the children. He's quite naughty but loves hearing stories written about him. Here are some of the children reading their stories to him.



Room 2 - Penguin Art

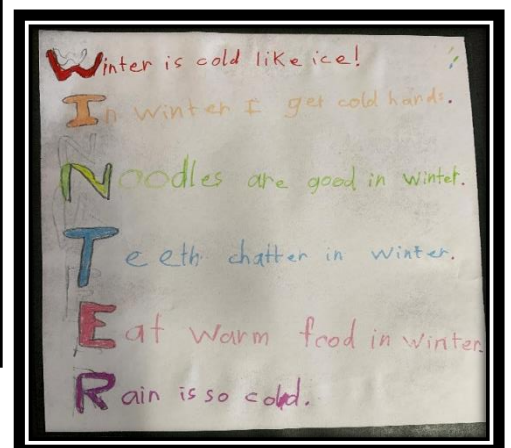
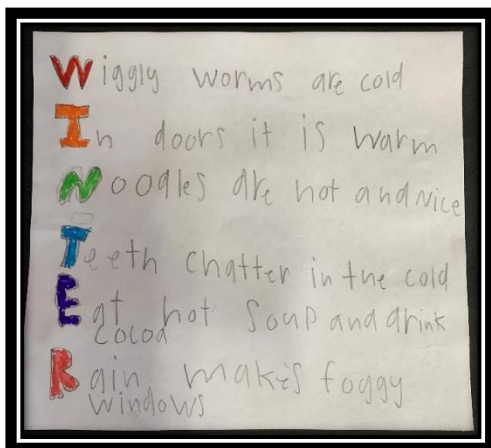
In Room 2 we have been creating Penguin Art.





Room 3 - Acrostic Poems

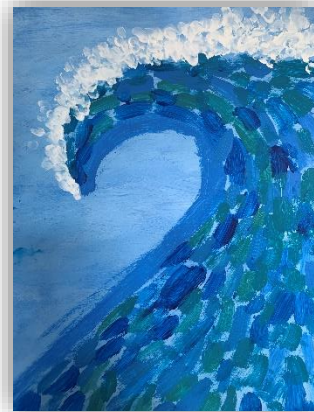
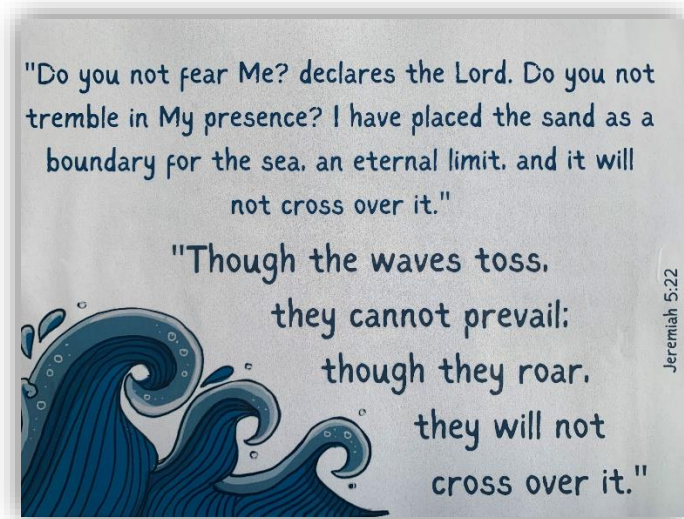
Room 3 has been learning how to write alliteration and simile while writing acrostic poems. Here are some examples of our work.



Room 6 - Budding Artists

In Room 6 for art, we looked at waves and the different painting techniques we could use to create them - such as using short brush strokes, blending, and some finger painting to create sea foam.

These waves were a reminder to us of Jeremiah 5:22, a symbol of our God's great power and love.



Here are also some of Room 6's awesome mathematical investigators!



Room 5 - Learning & Participating

On our School PB4L matrix, one of the ways we show respect is to "Allow others to learn and participate". In Room 5 we apply this by working together on things like problem solving challenges, learning games, team activities, shared writing, chromebook challenges, class discussions and class jobs.

Teamwork is very important to Room 5 students this year. Here are some examples of this concept in last week's Discovery Time.



Maths Zone

Working on some Maths Challenge cards. The "Maths Zone" leader is supporting students and helping them through the challenges.

Technology Zone

Students trying out fashion designs from fashion books at the "Technology Zone".



Drama/Creative Challenge Zone

In this zone we have the zone leader introducing another student to her activities and supporting her through a timed drama/creative challenge.



Positive Quote Zone

In this zone we have a student who prepares thoughtful activities. Two students are working together on these as they get to know each other better.



Te Reo Zone

In our Te Reo zone students work on matching the kupu with the pictures of traditional Maori weapons, tools and taonga. Here is a student who has newly organised the Te Reo Zone and has also put some phrases on display for the class to learn.

He also helps us all with our Te Reo pronunciation.



Room 4 - Table Tennis & Netball

Room 4 students have been enjoying their table tennis training each week.



Our Year 7 Y& 8 competitive netball team won the super 6 netball competition last week at Laird Park.



Coming Up:



There will be five performances throughout the week commencing 19 September, ending with a performance for Faith City Church on Sunday.

Tickets will be available soon for you to attend the evening performances on the Tuesday 20th of September and Thursday 22nd of September, both performances start at 6pm.

More details to follow.



A huge Thank You to Scott Dowman from Dowman Contracting Ltd for generously donating \$500 towards our musical costumes.



Pita Pit Lunches every Friday at Faith City School Starts Friday 19th August

It's simple; all you need to do is register at

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- 2. Add member/s including your name and delivery location**
- 3. Make a payment to have funds in your account before you order**
- 4. Select your lunch and place an order**

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PTA News

Thank you for the families that supported us with our pie fundraiser.
We raised \$575.95.

It's time to get organized for next term. All students need a school hat in Term 4 & Term 1. The PTA organize named school hats with the Faith City School logo embroidered on it. They are approximately \$20, if you are interested in one of these please let the office know.



Please click the below link for information on winter wellness from Te Whatu Ora – Health New Zealand
<https://mailchi.mp/wrhn/health-matters-winter-wellness-7170405?e=554316914c>



this Christmas!

Help us make a difference
in the lives of Cape Town
South African children.

 We are collecting gifts
choose a gender and age
(3 - 10 yrs)
you purchase a gift
we wrap and ship!

Gifts ideas: toys, puzzles, arts/crafts,
reading or activity books etc...

Gifts to be received by 25th September 2022
to allow for shipping

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Library Volunteers

If you are interested in Volunteering to open the library at lunch times a day a week do let us know.