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Faith City School Newsletter

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From the Principal's desk

Nga Mihi Nui! Greeting everyone

We farewelled our Year 8 students on Thursday night at our annual Leaver's Dinner. It is such an exciting time for them as they begin to look forward to a new stage in their lives and the opportunities waiting for them. We are on one hand blessed with how they have turned out and look forward to seeing them succeed, but on the other hand we are sad that they are going – they have been a big part of our lives here at Faith City. Letting them go is hard – we wish we could do it all again. It also means that we lose some families to our school with their child being the last one. We wish the Taunton, Marryatt and Paikea families all the very best. Remember, you are always a part of our school community.

While this year has been hard at times with illness, it has been a great year on many fronts. The students have done very well, contributing, and achieving so much in every aspect of school life. We could not have done it without the staff and teachers, for which I am very grateful, and our awesome volunteers of who there are too many to mention by name. We all appreciate you very much and pray God will bless you for your support and your time. COVID has been a difficult road to navigate, at times, these past few years and, again, I would like to say to everyone who has encouraged us and supported us through this period that you have been so lovely and incredible. Thank you!

Sadly, our lovely Abbie Cooper and her daughter Zoe are leaving us to Auckland. Abbie has been a godsend to us here. She stepped in toward the start of my Principalship and has been paramount in establishing an administration that is high functioning and very effective. I have loved working with you, Abbie – it's been fun! We all are going to miss the Coopers, I am sure! We all wish you God's speed, provision, and blessing.

I want to wish you all a blessed Christmas, one where you enjoy each other's company, where the love of God abounds, and where peace and rest reigns – one where Emmanuel is with you.

A restful, safe, and joyful Christmas to you all!

Marty Bullock

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

Term One

31 January to

6 April

Swimming starts Fri week 2

Term Two

24 April to

30 June

Term Three

17 July to

22 September

Term Four

9 October to

15 December

Room 1 & 2 Buddy Time - Protect the Egg Project

Recently, Rooms 1 & 2 buddied up with students from room 4 for a morning of science, creating and problem solving. In pairs or small groups, their challenge was to create a cage out of the supplied materials that could protect a raw egg when dropped from a height. We had a lovely morning together and lots of excited anticipation leading up to the 'drop test.'

Many survived 2 drop tests but in the end the Supreme winner was Micah and her buddy. Their caged egg survived being dropped from the gym mezzanine onto the floor below.





Room 1 & 2 - Recycling Centre

Room 1& 2 visiting the Recycling Centre on 1st December. Good way to end our recycling studies this term! Thanks to our parent helpers that came along to help!



Room 3 - Recycling Creativity

On Tuesday afternoon Room 3 were creative with recycling items they had brought to school and with 3-D nets.

In the photos, the 3-D nets were constructed by: Samuel made a vanilla ice cream out of a cone net and Jemima, made a box from a cube net. The box is to put things in. Josie also made dice from her cube net. Toby made a rubbish bin with his cylinder net.

Recycling construction photos are Cleo and Lia, who made a garden. Celine and Odin made a volcano. Clara and Johan were making a castle, Hugo, Ataahua, Mason, Alexis and Azaria were making a horse barn.



Room 6 - Cold vs Warm

We have been exploring warm and cold colors in Room 6. The students were given a task to use pastels to create an image that shows the contrast between these colours!

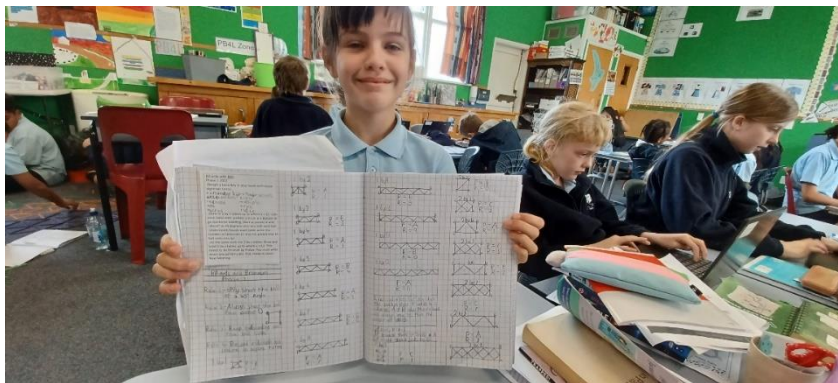


Room 5 - Maths

Room 5 have been working hard on Algebra Projects in maths for the last few weeks. When I asked them, this is what they have said they have learnt....

"I learnt to decipher maths rules" - "I learnt to make my own maths rules" - "I learnt to explain a pattern" - "I learnt to make a pattern using materials and explain how the pattern changes" - "I learnt how to draw tables and graphs to show number relationships" - "I learnt to problem solve cooperatively with my friends" - "I learnt to use multiplication and division in real measurement problems" - "I learnt how to use the alphabet in maths!"

The projects I selected this year were about constructing buildings, designing supermarket displays, shooting pool balls into pockets and finding mystery numbers. Each projects had 8 phases. Students enjoyed the challenge as they moved through the phases and enjoyed their successes.



Room 4 - Budding Authors & Illustrators

Room 4 became authors and illustrators this term. They shared their books with room 1 children.

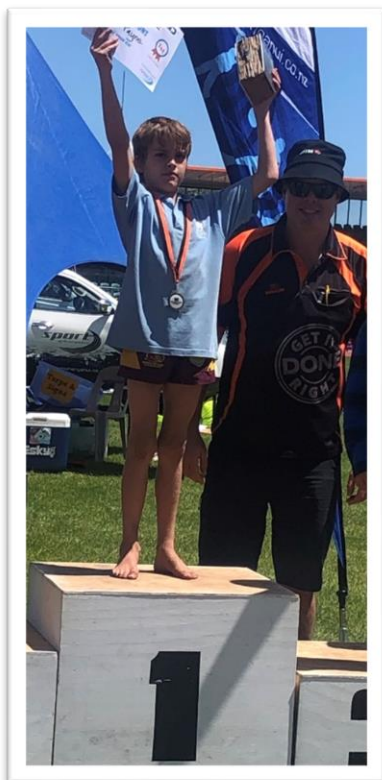
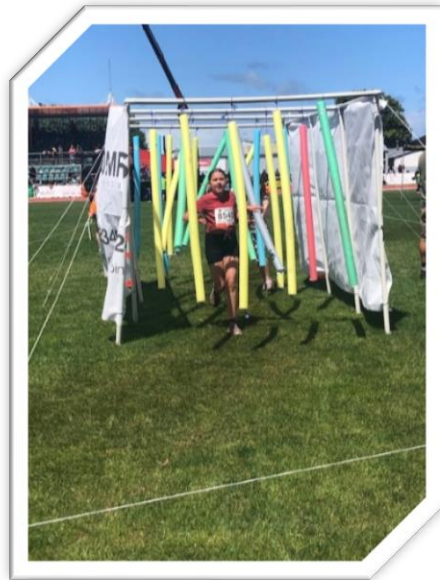
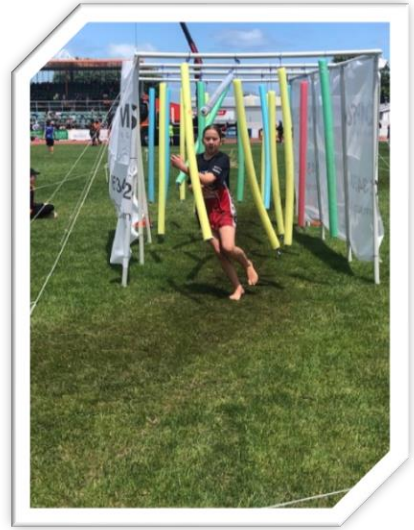


Room 4 - End of Year Dinner



Tough Kids





Congratulations to Mason who came first in his age group!



Newstalk
ZB

Be in to win!

The opportunity to professionally record a Christmas song with Nathan King

The grand prize

Professionally record a Christmas song with Nathan King, return flights to Auckland for two (if you live outside of Auckland), hotel accommodation for one night and a studio tour.

To enter

Must be under 13 years old. Email yourself singing a Christmas carol to christmas@newstalkzb.co.nz before entries close 12 December.

Listen to Newstalk ZB on Christmas morning at 6am to find out if you've won!



LET'S GO WHANGANUI FUN-RUN-ATHON SUNDAY 11TH DEC

13 YEAR-OLDS AND UNDER RUN 1.2KM OF THE PAK'NSAVE WHANGANUI 3 BRIDGES MARATHON

ENTRIES CLOSE MIDNIGHT 4TH DEC 2022

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