

# **Faith City School Newsletter**

Edition 7 - Term 3 - 4 August 2023

### From the Principal's desk

### Kia ora i te whānau

Term 3 has started beautifully in what will be a busy term. Congratulations to the year 5/6 football team for winning the Contributing Schools Soccer Tournament. It was great to see them play hard but with a spirit fairness too. Cross-country is coming up quick, with speech competitions happening later this month. Room 4 are currently looking into different Careers and are off to the flight school. Winter sports are in full flight. Our yr7/8s basketball team are unbeaten at this stage. Netball and hockey teams are going great guns – the year 5/6 net ball team are currently placed in the top two for the 5/6 grade. Thanks to all the coaches – you are awesome! We are also preparing for Camps in Term 4.

Matariki Breakfast was a real highlight and a great way to start the term. Thanks for coming along. Being together as community was so good. A huge thank you to our team who volunteered to prepare and serve kai. I think we can say it was amazing kai! It was nice to stop and reflect on those in our community who have gone before us – to thank God for them being in our lives. To also look forward to the coming year and to refocus on those things which are important in our lives so we can make time for them to be achieved.

This week we have Anya Simpson, a year 13 student with us from Cornerstone School, who is completing her Duke of Edinburgh award. Later in the Term we have a sports exchange with Cornerstone. It will be our second exchange, with them coming here. It's nice to be connecting with our Christian school nearby.

We have two new support staff, Nancy Thys who is our new Teacher Aid working predominantly in our junior school. And Lakina Sione who takes over the role of Caretaker. He comes with a lot of practical experience. Nga mihi nui i a kōrua!

Sadly, we farewelled two valued staff members at the end of Term 2. Firstly, Kate Davey our Specialist Teacher who worked with our ORS students. Kate has worked at Faith for many years in one form or another. She has been an appreciated and respected member of our community. All the best, Kate! We also farewelled Blake Davison our caretaker, who is off on an O.E. We loved having him here, he did an amazing job and even baked food for the staff! God bless to both you and Iriana!

God Bless you everyone!

Marty Bullock

### UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

#### **Term Three:**

Monday 17 July to Friday 22 September

Faith City Speech Competition Tuesday 15 August

Faith City Cross Country Friday 18 August

Cornerstone Sports Exchange Weds 23 August

West Country Cross Country Friday 25 August

West Country Speech Competition TBA

Room 1 - Body Systems

Room 1 have been working with Mrs Menges to learn all about some of our wonderful body systems. 'We are fearfully and wonderfully made.' Look at the wonderful skeleton they made together!



Room 2 - Football skills

Room 2 enjoyed some fun time outside learning football skills like how to kick and stop the ball.







Matariki stars The children each decorated a star and wrote a thank you to Jesus on the back.

How beautiful are they!





Human Body

We learnt about the human body and traced around our hand and put phalanges, metacarpal and carpals using straws and cotton buds.

We had to make sure each part had gaps just like we would see in an x-ray and we found out we need these gaps so that our hand and fingers can move.

Did you know we have 27 bones in our hand?



Room 3 are also learning about fractions. They had to follow instructions to put the correct fraction on their ice cream sundae.

### These look good enough to eat!





Room 4 – Poetry

Room 4 students have been enjoying writing poetry this term. Here are two poems for you to enjoy.

### **New Zealand**

Pohutukawa trees, swaying with the breeze. With flowers so red, there's nothing to be said.

Kiwis scuttering, scrounging for food. Seagulls swooping looking too.

Women singing Māori songs. While their Men sing along.

Tales of gods and heroes are read, To Tamariki tucked in bed.

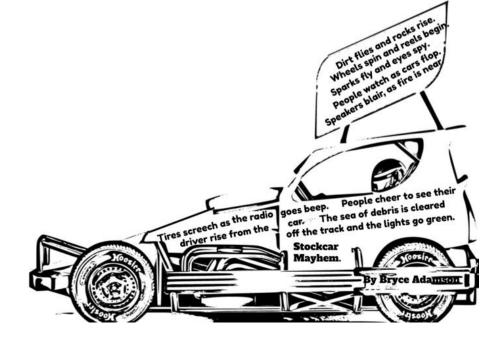
Dogs rounding up sheep. Farmers trying not to fall asleep.

The stories told by the fire so bright, Of our ancestors and their great fight.

Wonders of our country's beauty, With oceans so blue, lakes so light.

A place where the sun shines bright, But be careful, it's a place where mosquitos may bite.

By Jodie - Room 4



Room 6 – Skeletal system

Room 6 has been learning all about the skeletal system! We learned all about our bones and then created our own model of one.



We included playdough for bone marrow, red and blue wool for blood vessels, pool noodle as the spongy bone, and white paper to represent the compact bone on the outside. They got to play around with putting their bone inside some PVC pipe to show how hard and protective our bones are on the outside.





Contributing Schools Football

Well done to our students who competed in the Contributing Schools Football Tournament. Faith City tied for first with St George's in A grad. Well done everyone! A big thank you to the coaches, parent supporters and our principal Marty for coming down and supporting the kids!



A few things to remember:

- 1. Students are required to be in **school uniform** while at school. This means they **must have on black school shoes**. The only time they wear running shoes is for PE, practices, cross country etc. and then must change back. If your child hasn't got school shoes, please tell your students teacher and endeavour to get them school shoes ASAP. The same goes for hats and jackets.
- 2. Also, we kindly ask our parents and caregivers to not park on the other side of Springvale Rd outside the church when collecting the kids after school. It is a very busy road around 3pm and we want everyone to stay safe. There are usually parks available by 3.05. Best time is 3.10 when the carpark has emptied a bit more. Also please don't park in front of the pastors' cars. Please let grandparents and caregivers know too.
- 3. Don't forget we don't let anyone walk across the car park. We must use the footpaths. That includes the crossing in front of the church. Use the paved crossing them walk to your car from the footpath along Springvale Rd

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# **Breakfast Club**

Just a reminder that our KickStart Breakfast Club runs Monday – Thursday, 8:20-8:45am sharp in the Faith City Church Lounge.

We have both Weetbix and Milo available.

Many thanks to our wonderful volunteers who make this possible! We really appreciate you!

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Sarah or Robyn in the office.





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