



## **Faith City School Newsletter**

Edition 9 - Term 3 - 22 Sept 2023

#### From the Principal's desk

Kia ora i te whānau

We've had such a blessed term 3! There have been many highlights — Cultural Day, interschool with Cornerstone, winter sports successes, cross country, speeches, technology challenge, fundraising lunches has brought everyone together at lunchtime. Congratulations to Nicholas Cloete for first place (Jnr) and Xanu van der Bank for second (Sen) in West Schools Speeches. And also, to Mason Payne who won Whanganui Cross Country for the second year running at Aranui.

The Sunday Church Service was also a significant highlight. Kapa haka, student greetings, worship team, dancers, and a testimony from Akinisi, blessed everyone. We also raised \$1000.00 for the church roof. Big thanks to all who supported us – parents and grandparents – it was so powerful being together in worship.

Thank you to our winter sports coaches! Without your commitment we wouldn't have been able to field teams. Summer sport will start quickly in Term 4. To date we still have teams without coaches which may mean we will need to pull teams from the competition if we can't get coaches/managers. Please help if you can, game day is about managing the players on the day, so you don't have to be an expert. It's amazing what you can find on google to help you understand and coach the game.

We have much to do next term and I know it will go quickly. Camps are looming fast. We'll continue to fundraise to help with costs. The school is already subsidising the camps so do continue to support the last few lunch fundraisers as this helps us to keep costs as low as possible for you.

As you have seen there is a building project underway. We are blessed to be getting a new admin and staff room block at the front and a classroom and learning centre/library at the back. It does change the complexion of our school which is a bit daunting, but I'm sure its going to be a real blessing when it is finished. We are hoping that much of the renovation work will be completed by the beginning of 2024. That means that there will continue to be some disruption but hopefully that will be minor. All going well the buildings will be on site next week during the holidays.

Have an awesome break. Stay safe and we'll see you back in Term 4.

**Blessings** 

Marty Bullock

Principal

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

**Term Four** 

Monday 9 Oct to Friday 15 Dec

Teacher only days
9 & 10 Nov

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Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Nov

School Photos Wed 15 Nov

Leavers Dinner
Tue 12 Dec
6:30-7:30
(details TBA)

Junior Prizegiving Wed 13 Dec 1:30pm -2:30pm

Senior Prizegiving Thurs 14 Dec 6pm-8pm

## **Room 1 - Change of Scenery**

Room 1 has relocated to the gym lounge this week to allow for our classroom to be moved. Some students from Room 4 have created activities for our little ones to do when they are not reading or writing with me.

Activities include Craft, obstacle courses, and construction activities.



# Room 3 - Pizza Math

Room 3 has been learning about sharing amounts equally. Their pizza had to have the same amount of topping on each piece. They did this while sharing their toppings on halves, quarters, and eighths.





Room 3 also used play dough to practice making their own design for their robot. This was so they could decide what they would do the same or differently when they did a design using clay. They will also discover the different feel of the texture when working with it compared to clay and the durability of play dough versus clay.





## Notices...

### Summer Uniform

We'll be back into Summer Uniform next term, please remind your children to bring their hats, all children must be wearing a hat at break times.

### From the Office

Please note charges for upcoming school camps have been added to student accounts.

### TODs - Teacher Only Days

Please note that there are three teacher only days in Term 4

Thurs 9th and Fri 10th Nov – Teacher PLD Te ahu o te reo Māori

Fri 17th Nov - Curriculum refresh

There will be no tuition on these days. Parents need to make other arrangements





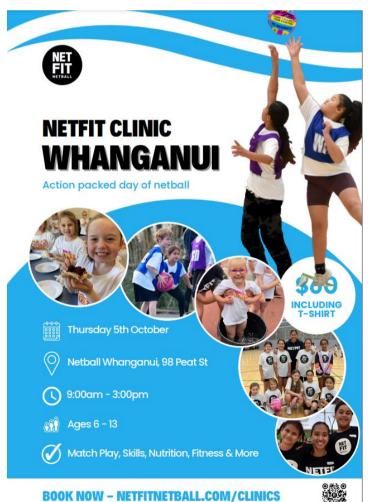
### **Breakfast Club**

Just a reminder that our Kick Start 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.



NETFIT is a global organisation, with a national focus on providing rangatahi across the country with an opportunity to express themselves, meet new friends and grow their sport skill base through netball.

In 2022 & 2023, NETFIT have been lucky to visit a range of locations across New Zealand, providing the community with a range of different products over our time here. Following the success of these programmes, we are proud to announce we are coming back to Whanganui with our most successful programme - school holiday clinics!

This 9am - 3pm session includes skill progression, a limited edition NETFIT clinic t-shirt, personalised feedback and lots of FUN!

Here is the link to sign up: <a href="https://netfitnetball.co.nz/event/netfit-clinic-whanganui-2/">https://netfitnetball.co.nz/event/netfit-clinic-whanganui-2/</a>