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St Anthony's Newsletter Week 10 Term 3 2025

Inspiration



Principal - Tumuaki

Kia Ora

Yesterday I was at a wananga along with other kaiako from the Kāhui Ako which was very thoughtprovoking. We discuss how to continue to bring to life the Partnership principle of Te Tiriti o Waitangi through sharing stories and history with our tamariki. Our aim is to help them foster a connection to these pūrākau in order to increase the feeling of whakawhanaungatanga (belonging). We also learnt more about Parihaka and looked at the different places around Wellington where the symbols and significance of this important event are still remembered today.

It was a perfect activity to do in amongst te wiki o te reo Māori. There has been lots of rich learning taking place this week in the classrooms, which you can see further down in the newsletter.

Sadly, tomorrow we farewell Eibhlín who has been covering Te Moana while I have been away and then while I have been Acting Principal. We have been extremely lucky to have Eibhlín as part of our school community, she is an amazing kaiako and Te Moana have thrived under her guidance. Please join us tomorrow afternoon at 2:30pm to share afternoon tea together and say goodbye.

Next term, Denise Johnson will be back from sabbatical and we are very much looking forward to having her back at school. I will be in Te Moana teaching Year 4-6. A special thank you for all of the staff who, as always, are incredibly supportive and for all the incredible work they do for our tamariki.

Thank you also to all of our whānau who have helped in a myriad of ways over the term. We hope you have a restful and enjoyable holidays and we are looking forward to seeing everyone in Term 4.

Ngā mihi nui,

Francesca

Upcoming Dates

- Friday 19th September - Last day of school, farewell for Eibhlín at 2:30pm
- Saturday 4th October - Working Bee 2pm
- Monday 5th October - First day back at school
- Friday 10th October - Interzone swimming
- Tuesday 14th October - Kiwi Hoops Year 5-8
- Wednesday 15th October - Epro8 Years 5/6 9:30-12:30pm, Years 7/8 4-7pm

Whakaponu - Faith News

Mercy Day

On the 24th of September every year the Sisters of Mercy and Mercy schools celebrate Mercy day. This was the day that

the founder of the Sisters of Mercy, Catherine McAuley, first opened the House of Mercy in Ireland. It is a day to celebrate all the wonderful work the Sisters of Mercy do around the world.

St Anthony's was founded in 1923 by the Sisters of Mercy. As the 24th falls in the holidays this year, tamariki have spent time today reflecting and learning about the life of Catherine McAuley.

Here is some more information about Catherine McAuley:

https://stantseaton.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/3325/reflecting_on_the_qualities_of_catherine_mcauley.pdf

Te wiki o te reo Māori

We all learned about Koru patterns for art this week. We looked at the shape of the koru and how it represents the fern unfurling. We also looked at different patterns that can be used to represent us and our interests.



Wharenui

He Atawhai put together a Wharenui. We coloured in the different kowhaiwhai patterns with traditional and contemporary colours. Our korowai is made up of feathers that we coloured in with colours that are symbolic to our lives. They might be from our favourite places, our whānau's favourite colours, or just colours that speak to us!



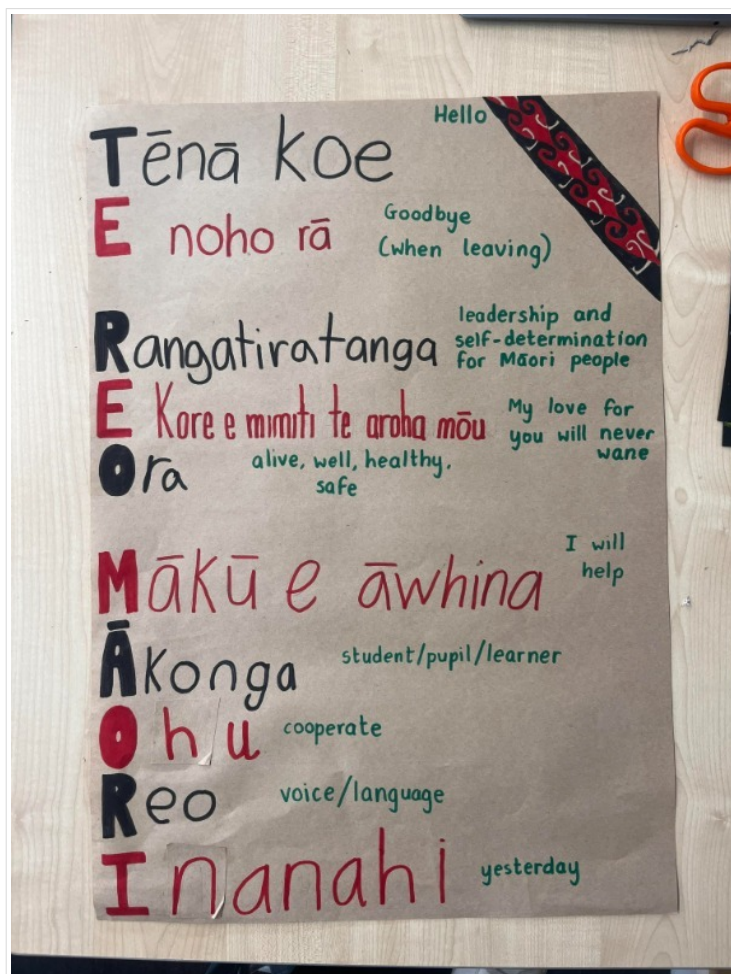
Tātai Reta Māori - Māori Alphabet.

For phonics this week, He Atawhai has been learning about the Māori alphabet and how it is similar and different to the English alphabet. Here is the display we designed.



Te Moana - Poem for Te wiki o te reo Māori

Te Moana made an acrostic poem for Te wiki o te reo Māori using kupu they already knew plus some new ones:



Scholarships for New Families in 2026

We are excited to share that we have two scholarships available for new families wanting to start at St Anthony's in 2026. There is one available for Years 1-4 and one for Years 5-8.

Please share this information and if you know of any families who may be interested, they can contact the school office for more information.

https://stantseaton.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/3324/st_anthony_s_school_scholarships.pdf

School Apple "Yummy" sticker Label Promotion

Kia Ora

St Anthony's School is a part of the "Yummy" sticker collection and is looking for your support.

If you are buying various types of apples at either Pak'n Save, 4 Square, or New World, please save your sticker(s) and drop them off at St. Anthony's School, or if you have a student at

https://stantseatoun.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/3308/wcl_school_holidays_as_seen_on_the_screen_2025.pdf

Thank You

St Anthony's School, Seatoun

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Worser Bay Surf Lifesaving Club Open Day

Registrations are now open for our junior surf programme which runs from October to March for 7 to 13 year olds.

Junior surf provides a fantastic opportunity for whānau to spend together at the beach, learn about beach safety, build confidence in and around water, use paddle boards and take part in junior carnivals with other clubs. Find out more and register at www.worserbaylsc.org.nz/juniors

The Worser Bay Surf Lifesaving Club open day is Sunday 19 October, 9.30am to 11.30am, 250 Marine Parade, Seatoun.

Come along and have a go at surfing (bring a wetsuit). You can also check us out on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/WorserBayLifeSavingClub>. We hope to see you on the beach.

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Wellington City Libraries Spring school holiday programme

As Seen on the Screen – bring your favourite films, TV shows, and games to life at the library these holidays, 20 September – 5 October! Craft your own mini TV, write an original script in a hands-on scriptwriting workshop with Andrew Thomson, let loose with games inspired by your favourite blue dog, create your own stop-motion film, and much more!

All events are totally free, but some do require registration as spaces are limited. Visit wcl.govt.nz/kidsholidays/ to browse the full programme on our event calendar.

Ngā mihi,

Merritt Barnett they/them

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& Community Services | Wellington City Council
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Cardinal McKeefry School Final Celebration and Mass Saturday 18 October

Kia ora koutou.

Cardinal McKeefry School have asked us to extend an invitation to the schools and parishes of the Archdiocese to attend their final celebration from 3pm on Saturday 18 October. Mass will follow at St Thomas More Church from 6pm.

Please see the attached flyer for more information

[https://stantseatoun.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/3303/
cardinal_mckeefry_final_mass_flyer_02.pdf](https://stantseatoun.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/3303/cardinal_mckeefry_final_mass_flyer_02.pdf)

Any queries should be directed to the school.

Thank you.

Ngā mihi nui,

Kind regards,

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School holiday edutainment

This is a hands-on science event for the whole family during the school holidays in Wellington.

https://stantseatoun.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/3304/school_holiday_edutainment.pdf

After School Hockey Club....

Kia ora koutou.

Wellington Harrier Children's Athletic Club

Our season open day is Saturday, 11th October at Newtown Park, and starts at 9.30 am.

Come and join the fun!

At our club days, athletes practice all events, including long jump, hurdles, high jump, sprints, middle distance, and throws.

There's also a children's interclub competition which is held on Sundays, for those who are keen!

Our children's club day caters to all abilities and is great at assisting with fitness for other sports.

New members are welcome!

You can register through <http://www.whac.org.nz>

For more information please contact:

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Capital BMX Club - Open Day

Hi there

With the support of the Wellington City Council, Capital BMX Club is trying to get more kids riding BMX. Central Wellington doesn't have many safe spaces for riding. Capital BMX Club's facilities at Ian Galloway Park, (situated between Karori and Northland), offer the perfect environment for kids with a love for biking to develop their riding skills further.

What can you do to help?

To help support this initiative, we would be grateful if you could include this flyer, promoting Capital BMX Club's "HAVE A GO" bike riding sessions and "SEASON OPENER", into your school newsletters, website, or community noticeboard.

See our flyer attached and below:



Tū Mātau Ora - October 31 - December 5th 2025

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