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Week 11, Term 1 2025 Newsletter

Inspiration



their own creative lens. As this term's art journey wraps up, we're proud to share our latest collaborative effort — the whole school has come together to create the *14 Stations of the Cross*, beautifully displayed here.

Ka pai to our tamariki for their thoughtful and imaginative contributions — their work truly inspires reflection and conversation!



Tumuaki | Principal's message

Kia ora whānau

We hope you've had a chance to pop in and see our tamariki's incredible interpretations of Colin McCahon's artwork through





As Holy Week approaches next week, we warmly invite you to join us in Week 1 of Term 2, on Wednesday, April 30 at 5:30 pm, for kai and an Easter celebration. Together, we'll reflect on the journey of Holy Week and celebrate the joy of Our Lord's Resurrection. We're also excited to host our Easter Scavenger Hunt. We look forward to seeing everyone take part, so please mark the date in your calendars now.

This term has been a wonderful one, beginning with an outstanding community event — our school Bazaar — and followed by our tamariki settling beautifully into a term full of rich learning. *Ngā mihi* to all the whānau who have engaged with the Hero posts your child/ren have shared. They truly enjoy showcasing their progress and love receiving your feedback — please continue to support and celebrate their efforts!

Tomorrow, the staff from of St Patrick's, Holy Cross, and Clifton Model Terrace School will be joining us at St Anthony's as we explore the refreshed Mathematics and Statistics learning area together. So we wish you all a fantastic day tomorrow, and a restful start to the holidays!

Kia pai te Rā Aranga | May your Easter be good

And may the Easter break be one of joy and peace.

Denise

TE MAUNGA TIMES: TERM 1 WRAP-UP

https://stantseatoun.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/3178/te_maunga_times_class_newsletter_term_1.pdf

Our Lenten Journey - scripture to ponder

As we enter the final week before Holy Week, I share with you the challenge of John 8 to consider how like Jesus we are in our own lives...

Something Old, Something New

John 8: 1 - 11 is the story of when Jesus, after going to the Mount of Olives, teachers in the temple, where the scribes and Pharisees bring a woman caught in adultery, seeking to trap him. Jesus, instead of condemning her, tells them "let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her," causing her accusers to leave, and then tells the woman "Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more".

"What do you have to say about the case?"

You know one thing for sure: they did not drag the woman to Jesus out of respect for his great learning. The leaders wanted him to come down either for or against the law, either way trapping him by his response. If Jesus chose the law, the memory of that horrific stoning would stay with his disciples forever. And if he chose against the law, people would say he was soft on sin.

Of course, Jesus finds a third way to answer. Instead of dismissing her sin, he universalises the reality of sin by daring the sinless one to strike first. What is someone had picked up a stone? A neighbour might call out his secret fault. Or Jesus, who well knew the human heart, might publicly remind the crowd of that one's indiscretions against the law. Rather than saying sin is unimportant, he made it too important for mere humans to arbitrate. And Jesus took that testimony all the way to the cross.

Questions for Reflection

- Have you ever been saved from anything? What does it mean for you to say "God saves"?
- What do you have faith in? Do you put your faith in Jesus? If so, why and how?
- Over whom do you stand in judgment? What would it take to put that stone down?

Kids' Corner

Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her. (John 8: 7)

Finger-pointing is tricky business. We've all done it because it's so easy to do. We might point at someone and say, "Look at the way that person acts!" And they really might be doing something wrong. But Jesus asks more of us. He asks us to look inside ourselves and be honest about our own actions. Jesus asks us to pay attention to him and what he does and then work on being more like him. That will keep us so busy, we probably won't even notice what others are doing!

Jesus, help me see my own wrong-doing and ask your forgiveness.

Action Response

Spend the week in active awareness of the new things God is doing in the world around you. Participate in the signs of new life you discover. Celebrate and be grateful.

The Commissioning

Don't dwell on the past; don't get hung up on what has happened.

Look expectantly, look confidently, to what is now possible.

In Christ, those without hope will find hope.

In Christ, those in wheelchairs will get everywhere.

In Christ, women and children will get the respect they deserve.

In Christ, the refugee will find a home.

In Christ, the infirm elderly person will find support.

In Christ, the mentally ill will know compassion.

Is this wishful thinking?

In the spirit of Christ, all is possible.

Written by GPBS eNews

Holy Trinity - Easter Services Timetable

https://stantseatoun.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/3175/easter_timetable_2025.pdf

Seatoun AFC Juniors

"The Seatoun AFC Junior Football Holiday Programme will be on during Week 2 of the Autumn School Holidays. Please see the poster below for more information and email seatounafcjuniors@xtra.co.nz if you have any questions. We hope to see you there!"

AUTUMN FOOTBALL JUNIOR HOLIDAY PROGRAMME:

Week 2 of the School Holidays

Mon 21 April - Thurs 24 April

9am-12pm, Seatoun Park

SEATOUNAFC

Boys & Girls ages 4-12

1 Child \$25, 2 \$40, 3 \$60 per day

REGISTER HERE! seatounafcjuniors@xtra.co.nz
CLICK TO SIGN UP OR VISIT WWW.SEATOUNAFC.CO.NZ

Kind regards,

James

Free Easter Fun Day

https://stantseatoun.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/3176/easter_fun_day.pdf

Miramar Tennis Club School Holiday Programme

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We will be running a school holiday programme in both weeks of the school holidays, Monday 14 - Wednesday 16 April and Tuesday 22 - Thursday 24 April.

We will be offering full-day (\$100) or half day (\$60) options. We'll be mixing quality tennis coaching with multi-sport games, creative activities, and downtime to keep kids engaged all day long. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea all included.

If it rains, we have activities lined up for indoors! You can book through the coaching page of our website https://clubspark.kiwi/miramartennisclub/Coaching Nga mihi,

Aidan

MTC Secretary

St Catherines College - Personal Assistant - Vacancy

St Catherine's College, a high-performing Catholic school located in Kilbirnie, is looking for a Personal Assistant to support the Principal in managing daily administrative and operational tasks.

This is a pivotal role that requires exceptional communication skills, discretion, and the ability to multitask in a dynamic educational environment.

The full advert along with the application form and job description can be found on the St Catherine's College website.

Applications close on Friday 2 May at noon.

Badjelly The Witch

These school holidays KidzStuff Theatre for Children is presenting Badjelly The Witch, Adapted by Alannah O'Sullivan from the book by Spike Milligan,

What: Badjelly The Witch When: 12th - 25th April 2025

Where: Tararua Tramping Club, 4 Moncrieff Street, Mt Victoria,

Vellingtor

Times: Weekdays 10 am & 11:30 am, Saturdays 10 am, no

show Sundays

Tickets \$16.00pp, Children under 2 Free. Bookings: www.kidzstufftheatre.co.nz

Capital Basketball Kiwi-Hoop Camps

Kia Ora Koūtou,

Nicole James here from Capital Basketball, I am excited to inform you about the upcoming Kiwi-Hoop Holiday Camps, which will be held at the Walter Nash Stadium from April 14th to April 24th. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to improve their basketball skills in a fun, engaging environment, and we'd love to have your school involved!

We offer four specialized camps designed to cater to different skill levels and interests:

- All Star: Years 6-8, 14th and 15th of April.
- Swish: Years 3-6, 22nd and 23rd of April.
- Bounce: Years 1-3, 24th of April
- Girls Got Game: 16 & 17 April, School years 3-8
 A girls-only camp dedicated to empowering young athletes through basketball.

Special Offer for Schools!

To make this event even more exciting, we're offering an exclusive incentive for schools. The school that shares our website and posts about the Kiwi-Hoop Holiday Camps on social media will go in the draw to win a brand new set of size 5 basketballs, valued at \$250! The school with the most

enrolments will win this fantastic prize, making it a great opportunity for students and teachers alike to get involved.

We would love your school to take part in this promotion and spread the word about the Kiwi-Hoop Holiday Camps. Please find attached the flyer for the event, which you can easily share with your students and their families.

Website: https://www.capitalbasketball.org/ Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/

p/DHkdxc6TBYj/?img_index=1

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/capitalbasketball

Camp sign ups: https://www.capitalbasketball.org/

bnz-kiwi-hoops-sign-up

Should you have any questions or require further details, please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail or 0279775292

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing your

students at the Kiwi-Hoop Holiday Camps!