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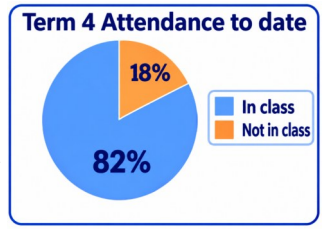


St Francis School Newsletter, Friday 20th November, 2026

St.Francis Catholic School

IMPORTANT UPCOMING events and notices:

23 Nov	St Cecilia Concert 9.05am
24 Nov	Thames Valley Athletics Day Kiwi Class Mass 9.15am
27 Nov	Piwakawaka/Kereru Softball at Matatoki 11.15am
28 Nov	Kiwi Class Train Trip
1 Dec	Piwakawaka Kuranui Beach Clean Up 9.30am
2 Dec	Board Meeting 6pm
4 Dec	Tui Swimming 11.45am-12.45pm Piwakawaka Goldmine Trip 9am



Talofa lava, Kia ora koutou, Mālō e lelei, Kia orana, Kumusta po, Namaste, and a very warm welcome to all our whānau.

One of the highlights of the past fortnight was our School Athletics Day, where we enjoyed some fantastic performances from our tamariki. It was a wonderful day filled with fun, friendly competition and plenty of school spirit. It was especially pleasing to see the results of all the practice and preparation our students had put in earlier in the term. Well done to everyone who participated, gave their best and encouraged others along the way!

Several of our athletes also went on to represent St Francis at the Inter-school Cluster Athletics, where they performed exceptionally well against some tough competition. We are incredibly proud of their efforts and look forward to seeing how those who qualified get on at the upcoming Thames Valley Athletics. We wish them all the very best as they continue to represent our school with pride!

Another big highlight this week was our middle and senior school camp at Kauaeranga Valley Christian Camp. Our students enjoyed a fantastic few days taking part in a range of outdoor activities alongside their friends, teachers and parents. It was a wonderful opportunity for our tamariki to challenge themselves, build confidence, strengthen friendships and make some special memories together. A huge thank you to all the parents and whānau who generously gave their time to support us on camp. Your help made this experience possible, and we are incredibly grateful for the part you played in making it such a memorable occasion for our students.

With the end of Term 4 rapidly approaching, there is still plenty to look forward to as we prepare to celebrate another year of learning, growth and achievement at St Francis. We are especially looking forward to recognising our students' efforts and successes at our upcoming End-of-Year Prizegiving, along with the other special events and celebrations still to come.

Thank you, as always, to our students, staff and whānau for your continued hard work, commitment and support. Let's make the most of these final weeks together and finish the school year on a positive note.

Have a wonderful weekend with your whānau. Take care, and God bless.

Christian Ioka (Principal/Tumuaki)

School / Community Notices

More Than A School
Hauraki Plains College

SAVE THE DATE

HPC DISCOVERY DAY
9TH DECEMBER 2026

MORE INFO TO FOLLOW





KAUAERANGA VALLEY CHRISTIAN CAMP

FIESTA in Rio

SUMMER CAMP 2027!!

A celebration awaits in the Valley!
ITS A SUMMER CAMP TO REMEMBER...

10-14 JANUARY
JR FIESTA Ages 7-10

17-22 JANUARY
SR FIESTA Ages 10-13

DAY CAMP OPTIONS YLEAD-YOUNG LEADER PROGRAMME (YR9-11), VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

THAMES VALLEY BASKETBALL TRIALS FOR 2027

SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2026

U12/U14 GIRLS	9.00AM	REGISTRATION	8.30AM
U12/U14 BOYS	9.00AM	REGISTRATIONS	8.30AM
U16 BOYS	10.30AM	REGISTRATIONS	10.00AM
U16/U18 GIRLS	10.30AM	REGISTRATIONS	10.00AM
U18/U20 BOYS	12PM	REGISTRATIONS	11.30AM

THIS WILL BE THE ONLY TRIAL.

Trials for the 2027 are early due to Easter Tournament in March. Entries close early December.

Email: Tvbbasketballreps@gmail.com for further information.

JACK MCLEAN COMMUNITY GYMNASIUM
THAMES

THAMES FC
JUNIORS

FRIDAY NIGHT FUTSAL!

TERM 4 - FRIDAY | FROM 5.30PM | JUNIORS YEAR 3-8

16TH OCTOBER TO 18TH DECEMBER

JACK MCLEAN COMMUNITY CENTRE

FUN GAMES · FRIENDS · FUTSAL

Keep those skills sharp and the love of the game going this summer with Friday night futsal in Term 4!

Fast, fun and full of football – it's the perfect way for young soccer fans to keep playing, practicing and having a ball between seasons.

Sign up now at the link
https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/530990

Parish / School Notices

Prayer and Pastoral Support

We remember all who are mourning, asking for comfort, strength, and peace in their time of sorrow.

We pray for those in our community who are suffering or struggling with finances, housing, and isolation. May we, as a community, be the face and hands of Christ for them all.

If you, or anyone you know, has any pastoral needs within our community, please contact **Christian Ioka** or **Sister Paula.**

Altar Servers

Altar Servers for Sunday Mass

22 NOV	Caden / Ava / Ethan / Jake
29 NOV	Haydon / Patrick / Rillaniya / Olivia
6 DEC	Miguelle / Adrian / Ayla / Avery / Eonharvy

Thank you for your dedication and service at the Lord's altar!

ST CECILIA Concert

Monday 23rd November
Starts 9.05am
St Francis School Courtyard

Parents and Whānau Welcome

Piano LESSONS AVAILABLE

only 2 places left!!



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   Password: mackay