



Holy Family School

TE KURA O WHĀNAU TAPU

A ' OGA ' AIGA PAIA

1 March 2024

Term 1 - Week 5

Talofa lava, Kia Orana, Bula Vinaka, Malo e Lelei, Tena koutou

Week 5, means we are almost half way through the term,

Thanks to everyone who is supporting their students and their learning. It is great to see diaries going back and forward between home and school. Have you downloaded the Skool Loop app - this is free and another way for us to communicate - you can add a child's absence through the app as an easy way to let us know they will be away.

Thanks to everyone who is supporting our swimming programme by walking with classes or helping getting small people changed at the pool, it is much appreciated.

Planning is well underway for our Year 6 camp this year, parents have met to discuss what is happening and many have volunteered to join the children on this adventure. To help with the fundraising we are holding a Market Night on 20 March. More details soon.

Thanks to everyone who has returned the permission form for our Waikanae Trip. We look forward to lots of you joining us. March 11 is not far away.

Galatians 6:9 "And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up."

Blessings

Sue Goodin (Principal)

Room 8 also visited the sunflowers and created some wonderful descriptions:

- The sunflower is as tall as me and as yellow as a bee. Hongeu
- The sunflower is yellow and as round as a planet. Leonardo
- The sunflower is as bright as my God. Teariki
- A sunflower is bright yellow like the sun. Israel
- Bees collect honey for their hive. Micah
- A sunflower is as yellow as a flower. Ryan

Sacramental Programme

The Holy Family Parish will soon call for interest in the Sacramental programme for 2024. If you are interested in your child being a part of this please contact Father Issac or Trish in the parish office.

More information soon.



Room 3 have used our garden of sunflowers for inspiration for their art. Please visit and view their work in our corridor of the main block.



Breakfast is available in the hall from 7:45am everyday. Pop in for milo, cereal and toast.

If you know someone who could volunteer to help, please contact the office.



Our phenomenal for this part of the term is Mafana. Mafana knows God has created us exactly the way we should be. We look after our environment and all of God's creatures. We act as Jesus would.

Talk to your child, how did they show Mafana today?



Our So'otaga Team is here to support all 'aiga. Please contact them on 027 3449622 or visit Annie at the So'otaga Room.

School type hats need to be worn every day, these are not caps. Please make sure your child has a suitable named hat to wear at school.

We are a water only school. Please make sure your child has a water bottle to use and refill at school. Do not send other drinks in lunchboxes as teachers will ask for these to be put away for after school.

OUR ETU AO HOME-BASED TEAM ARE LOOKING FOR EDUCATORS!

- **Free Training.** All educators will complete a level 4 Certificate in Early Childhood Education and Care – Home-Based, in a classroom environment supported by qualified early childhood teachers. The course is FREE and is completed over a 19 week period.
- **Earn from Home.** Become qualified and get paid for work you may be already doing for family. You will be paid a reimbursement allowance rather than a salary. This allowance does not affect other entitlements such as WINZ benefits.
- **Access to Further Education.** Working as an educator can be a first step to training as an early childhood teacher.
- **Teach from a Culturally Inclusive Programme.** Your language and culture is valued as part of the programme.



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- We provide quality home-based education and care for infants, toddlers and young children.
- Our home-based educators are known as T.O.N.I.'s (Teach, Observe, Nurture, In Home) and teach children using the Te Whāriki Early Childhood Curriculum.
- Children learn in a home environment with up to three other children. All T.O.N.I.'s and children are regularly visited and supported by qualified early childhood teachers.
- We offer families 30 hours free education and care at a maximum of 6 hours per day for 50 weeks of the year.



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Dates ahead

- 13 February - first day of swimming - every Tuesday
- 11 March - School trip to Waikanae
- 20 March - Village Market Night
- 26 and 27 March - Talanoaga
- 29 March - 2 April - Easter (school closed on 2 April)
- 4 April - NZEI PUM in the afternoon.
- 12 April - Term One ends
- 29 April - Term Two begins