

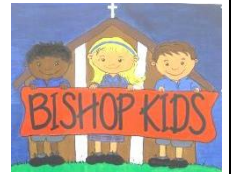
BISHOP EDWARD GAINES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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newsletter

Term 1 Week 10

2018



Kia ora, Kumesta, Kia Orana, Maloilelai, Talofalava, Greetings to you all ☺

SPECIAL CHARACTER FOCUS:

"Christ is risen from the dead! Dying he conquered death; To the dead, he has given life."

Easter is the most important feast on the Church's *Liturgical Calendar*. It celebrates Christ's rising from the dead, his overcoming the power of sin and death and his passing on the gift of everlasting life to the whole world. We celebrate the liturgical season of Easter for fifty days until Pentecost (23rd May). Classroom altars and priestly vestments are decorated with yellow or white colours. These colours symbolize innocence, purity, joy and glory.

Peace be with you all during this glorious season of Easter ☺



Prayer Intentions: A prayer for those around us:

Dear Lord, be with us as we support our families, our schools, our communities, and our world. Thank you for showing us that when we help others, we receive much more than we gave. Thank you for showing us that even the littlest things can make a difference. Amen.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Welcome back after our mini break for Easter. We were blessed with fabulous weather and with the end of day light savings it's a little easier to get up in the morning. We have just one more week of school before our two week April term break.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING - P.B.4.L

This year our school is beginning a three year, school wide journey in helping us to develop a positive and supportive school climate. This programme is called Positive Behaviour for Learning, also known as PB4L. Our school currently uses the 'Golden Model'. This includes our six Golden Rules and the reward time of Golden Time on Friday afternoons. It is timely now to consider a schoolwide review and evaluation of our behaviour system.

The PB4L programme is about changing the way we deal with behaviour.

- Positive behaviour can be learnt, and difficult and disruptive behaviour can be unlearned.
- Individual children are not a 'problem' – we need to change the environment around them to support positive behaviour.
- Punishing and isolating children doesn't bring about long-term and sustainable changes in behaviour.

The benefits of this programme are:

- Children will be more engaged and will achieve at school.
- Staff will feel confident and will feel supported in addressing behaviour problems.
- Parents and whānau will have confidence and strategies to build positive relationships with their children.
- School leaders and boards will monitor and improve approaches to build a positive culture and increase engagement of their students.

If you have any questions or would like to join our team come and talk to Ashton or Miss M ☺

STUDENT WORK

Miss Bailey and Miss Anderson have been working on teaching our students to use metaphors as a language feature in their writing. Metaphors make an indirect comparison by stating something is something else. Here's a few examples of metaphors that the students came up with by making indirect comparisons between our school and something else ☺

B.E.Gs Metaphor Poem

Bishop Edward Gaines is a motorbike with rocket jets at the back because we are a small school but still going places fast.

Bishop Edward Gaines is an elegant and beautiful cherry tree filled with cherries to feed our minds faith.

Bishop Edward Gaines is an enormous sparkly new church with big golden doors that are wide open for everyone.

Bishop Edward Gaines is a healthy delicious sandwich with tomatoes, lettuce, grated carrot and cheese.

Bishop Edward Gaines is a golden shirt with a cross that keeps us warm just like our faith does.

WINTER SPORTS



After the April school holidays winter sports in Tokoroa will begin. We are hoping to enter a basketball team and at least one soccer team. Also, if we have any girls who are keen to play netball Amisfield School have asked if we have any students who'd like to join one of their Year 3 and 4 teams. Please let Caroline know in the school office if your child is permitted to play winter sports. We can all rally together to support each other with transport. If you have any old soccer boots at home that no longer fit your child it would be fantastic if you'd donate them back to the school in a boot swap.

Soccer trainings will be during school lunch breaks and run by Miss M. We are looking for adults to manage the soccer team – this could be a shared / rotational role.

Enjoy your weekend everyone ☺

Helen McGuigan
Tumuaki / Principa

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Duffy Books Role Model Visit	9 th April - 9.30am
Science Roadshow (Yr 5-8)	11 th April @ Putaruru College
Term 1 finishes	Friday 13 th April 2018
Term 2 begins	Monday 30 th April

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