



Week 6 Term 1

11th March 2019

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Sunday 17th March at 9.30am

If it is raining Mass will be in the hall.

- Children **do not** have to be in uniform.
- Children will be sitting with you for the Mass.
- Remember to bring your picnic rugs, sun umbrellas and picnic morning tea.
- **DURING MASS—please do not start eating your picnic or have children playing on the playground. We need to keep the reverence of the Mass—focusing on the Blessed Sacrament (Altar/Body of Christ)**
- If you are not able to attend Mass, can you please send a note to your child's teacher with a brief explanation. **Being part of a Catholic School means taking time to celebrate together in our faith.** Parent support is really important to make these moments special.



SEE YOU ON SUNDAY!



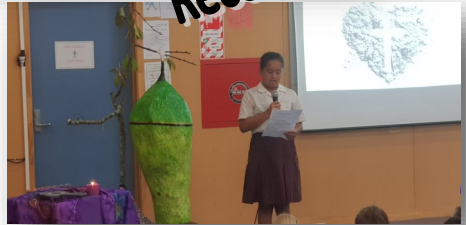
Ash Wednesday Liturgy.

Well done Liturgy Team!

Thanks to Mrs Gilbert and Mrs Daignault for our amazing cocoon!



Receiving Ashes



**Liturgy Team ...
Great planning!**



Our Lenten Promises



ASH WEDNESDAY LITURGY

6th March at 2pm in the School Hall.
Please come and join us.

Sharing **LENT** with Children



7 tips for making Lent meaningful

Give up: your favourite food or pastime to remind you what Jesus gave up for us

Slow down: set aside 10 minutes each day to read the Bible and pray together as a family

Read: an inspirational book together

Commit: to attend church, all age Lenten activities, weekly family devotions

Be kind: do something nice for someone each day and share it at dinnertime

Volunteer: your time to your church or community

Donate: Pick a worthy cause to raise funds for or donate clothes or food to

PRETZELS: A LENTEN TREAT

Pretzels originated in Europe during the Middle Ages. A monk was making unleavened bread for Lent with flour and water because eggs, milk and butter were not eaten during Lent. He twisted some of the dough into the shape of people praying with both arms folded across their chests. He decided it would be a perfect treat for children learning to say their prayers. He called the treats *pretiola*, the Latin word for "little reward".



Giving Up and Taking On for Lent

Christians often give up things we love during the 40 days of Lent like certain foods, or television or spending money on ourselves. We do this to remind us how much Jesus gave up for us. HE GAVE UP HIS LIFE!

We also try to take on extra things during Lent to help us get closer to God. Some things that can help us feel closer to God are reading our bibles, praying, helping others, raising money for those in need, going to church and meeting with others to think about Jesus' life and teachings.

WHAT WILL YOU GIVE UP AND TAKE ON THIS LENT?

INCLUSION

The second commandment is 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these." Mark 12:31



In Term 1 we are focusing on the Gospel Value of Inclusion.

We would love you to take the time to talk about and reinforce each aspect of our ICIC Gospel Values with your child.

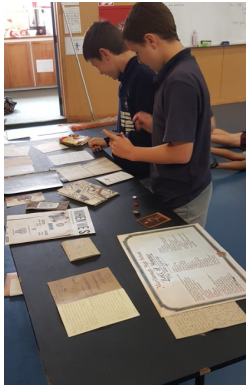
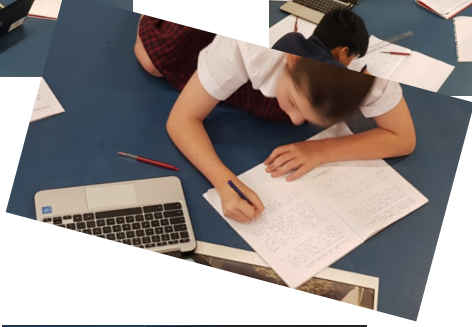
This week we look at Forgiveness... there are 4 skills that we can work towards.



Forgiveness

Accepting that learning is messy and that it is OK to make mistakes.
Letting someone say sorry.
Being open to a restorative conversation.
Letting a person learn from their mistakes and have a clean slate.

A cartoon illustration of a classroom scene. A teacher stands on the right, looking at a whiteboard that says "WALT" and "What I Am Learning". Two students in the foreground are holding a large sheet of paper that has been torn and crumpled, with a small figure of a person on it. The floor is messy with a broken bottle and other debris.



Rooms 10 & 11

**Research in
action...**

ANZAC Artefacts



**FREE
ENTRY**

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WHANGANUI



Want to give golf a go?

JUNIOR GOLF

OPEN FUN DAY

Celebrate the launch of the Futures Whanganui Junior Golf programme with a fun golf activity day!



Activities
include:

- Snag Golf**
- Mini Putt**
- Fun Comps**



Castlecliff Golf Club

Sunday 24th March: 11am - 1pm

Everyone welcome!

For further information contact Chris Fong:
email futureswhanganui@gmail.com | phone **027 480 3412**



**COMING
SOON**

March

12th:

- Intermediate Club - Lawn Bowls

13th:

- JLC & Room 3 at the Splash Centre
- Year 7/8 Tech @ Cullinane
- Kapahaka
- Rotary Readers
- Assembly Room 9

14th:

- Pita Pit go to lunchonline
- Growing Leaders Year 8's Sport Whanganui

15th:

- Gifted and Talented
- Mass at Cullinane Rooms 6 & 7
- Super 6 Swimming

17th:

- School Mass - On the field at school
9.30am bring a morning tea picnic

18th:

- Year 6 Girls Puberty Parent Information Evening
5.30pm in Room 8

19th:

- Intermediate Club

20th:

- JLC & Room 3 at the Splash Centre
- Year 7/8 Tech @ Cullinane
- Kapahaka
- Rotary Readers

21st:

- Pita Pit Go to lunchonline
- House Day

22nd:

- Gifted and Talented
- Mass at Cullinane Rooms 8 & 9
- Year 7 & 8 Immunisations

25th:

- PTA Meeting 5.30pm



Staff Only Day 4th June