



# St Joseph's School Temuka Newsletter

20 May 2020 Term 2 Week 1 — Issue 4



Classroom presentations capturing some of the exciting Online learning tasks undertaken during lockdown





Dear Parents and Caregivers

How exciting it is to be back to some normality after what has been a very interesting time for us all.

It has been wonderful to see all our students return, ready and eager to get back to what they know best. Certainly, meeting up with their friends has been their highlight as they rebuild relationships and thrive on being in each other's company again. This period of lockdown has shown us, of all ages, how much social contact with others is vital to our wellbeing.

Thank you to all for the wonderfully supportive way you have worked to assist your children with the online School work. We have a lot of positive feedback from you about how the flexibility of what we provided worked best with you managing work commitment, family needs and data in your bubble. Each classroom has a display showing the excellent creativity and extremely wide range of activities undertaken from water wheels, to baking, water tricks to trick shots, animal tricks to creative art, the range of activities certainly reflected the many ways students learn best.

While we are back to "near normal" you can be assured, we are meeting Ministry of Health and Education guidelines by having set up:

- ◆ Sanitising before entering building
- ◆ Hand washing prior to going outside
- ◆ Two separate areas for eating lunch for junior and senior syndicates
- ◆ Sign in register for contact tracing for outside visitors and parents
- ◆ Water bottles instead of drinking fountains
- ◆ Three times daily cleaning of toilets, taps etc
- ◆ Daily sanitising of all classroom hard surfaces.
- ◆ Maintain space out of others "breath zone"
- ◆ Syndicate only liturgies and assemblies, with no adults invited unfortunately

Unfortunately, there are some school activities that we are unable to have as usual due to Alert 2 restrictions.

- ◆ Our combined cross-country event will be replaced with our own school event, time and date to be confirmed, along with conditions for adult attendance. Students will resume their Lock down training at school this week so please make sure your child has their sports gear and running shoes each day.
- ◆ Close contact sports such as rugby cannot be played at school at present but other sports such as basketball and netball can.
- ◆ There can be no school masses due to more than "ten" other adults being present.
- ◆ Our biannual science fair cannot proceed as per normal, but we are looking to share students learning with parents the same as we have always done, but in a different way!

These steps will be kept in place during Alert level 2.

At the end of this week we send out a term newsletter via class Facebook pages as we look to continue online contact as well as lessen our use of paper. However, if you would like a hard copy please ask your child teacher for one.

We have received the final copy of our Confirmed Special Character Review undertaken the week before lock down. This review has been uploaded on to school website for you to read or by following this link on the digital version of this newsletter. We are delighted with the review which highlights the very strong presence of our Catholic faith in all aspects of our school life.

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The reviewers noted that:

"There are so many wonderful features for the community of Temuka to celebrate within this report. You, your staff and board can feel justly proud of your combined efforts."

Our whakatauki chosen just prior to Lock down is for this year is:

**Ka mate kāinga tahi,  
ka ora kāinga rua.  
When one option fails  
another will emerge.**

This is very appropriate for the way this year has unfolded. Staff will be using this throughout the programmes to further students' problem solving and resiliency through out the year.

Best wishes to you all as you transition back to "normality."  
Bernie Leonard

### Teacher Only Day

We will not be having a Teacher Only Day, as advertised at the start of the year on 29 May, as the Religious Education Diploma paper staff were to study on this day has been cancelled.

### Student Led Conferences

We have set the dates for Student led conferences for all students Yr 4-8 and Yr 0-3 with six month anniversaries for **WEDNESDAY 24 JUNE 1.00—7.00pm** and **THURSDAY 25 JUNE 3.15—6.00pm**.

To book your time for Yr 4-8 please log into:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/>

Use the code:

**yb8fb**

Yr 0-3 teachers will contact you to book a time.



Welcome **Indie Stevenson**, who started school in Room 6 this week.

### Doing Your Bit

**Cathy Blogg** for arranging new winter uniform purchases for families during Level 3, while also running the parish during Fr Jolly's absence.



**Leanne Mulligan**, one of

Bishops Representatives on the Board of Trustees, who has resigned her position as she and her family move to Darfield. Leanne, a parishioner, has brought a great deal of experience to the Board, having been a Chairperson at a local school for many years along with being a very active parishioner. We sincerely thank her for her commitment to this role and wish she and her family well on the shift to their new farm.



## Winter Uniform

Thanks to everyone for having students return in their winter uniforms, quite a challenge with very few shopping days since Lock-down. We have a large box of black winter leather shoes not yet claimed, so feel free to come and search through to see if any of these can be of use in your family.

## Cross Country

Students will resume their Lock down cross country training at school this week so please make sure your child has their sports gear and running shoes each day. We will let you know the details for our school cross country event once these have been confirmed.

## Enrolments

We have a limited number of student vacancies for this year so if you know of anyone wishing to enrol their children, who hasn't already, can you please ask them to ring the school office to discuss this further with Bernie.

## Camp Yr 5-6 and Yr 7-8

Unfortunately due to the current restrictions we are unable to host our Parent Information evening.

This week students will receive a notice outlining these camps. We ask that these are **all** returned to teachers next week so we know whether these camps can go ahead in October and November. Year 4 students will receive their information in the next fortnight once bookings are confirmed.

## Kapa Haka

Haami will begin working our Kapa Haka students on Thursday from next week **THURSDAY 28 MAY**, in the hall, to allow for greater personal spacing. Unfortunately, this year's Flava Festival has been cancelled but we will work with this group for a local presentation at the end of Term 3.

We will schedule our Whanau Hui, postponed due to Lock down, for when we go into Level 1.

# Religious Education

One of the significant losses for us as Catholics during Lockdown was missing the opportunity to celebrate our most important celebration of our liturgical year, Easter and the Resurrection of Jesus. We trust that you will be able to make use of the online links to celebrate mass online, albeit without receiving communion. Unfortunately, due to Alert Level 2 limitations mass cannot be celebrated.

Fr Jolly remains in his home province in India currently unable to get a plane home. He is very happy with his family but very keen to return.

The COVID-19 crisis certainly showed us how susceptible we are as humans and how easily the material things we value can sometimes overtake us and lead us to have extremely busy lives. The crisis also gave us the chance to "Do our Bit" and show an "Attitude of Gratitude" for not only the things we take for granted, but also for those many, many essential workers who continued working in an array of jobs to keep our community going with essential supplies and medical help.

This version of the beatitudes highlight how we can apply these beautiful prayers to this crisis and see how the word of God is reflected all around us in everyday life.

## BEATITUDES FOR A GLOBAL PANDEMIC

BLESSED ARE THOSE  
WHO STAY INDOORS



FOR THEY HAVE  
PROTECTED OTHERS

BLESSED ARE THE  
UNEMPLOYED AND THE  
SELF-EMPLOYED



FOR THEIR NEED OF  
GOD IS GREAT

BLESSED ARE THE  
CORNER SHOPKEEPERS



FOR THEY ARE THE  
PURVEYORS OF SCARCE  
THINGS

BLESSED ARE THE DELIVERY  
DRIVERS AND THE POSTAL  
WORKERS



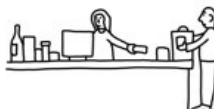
FOR THEY ARE THE  
BRINGERS OF ESSENTIAL  
THINGS

BLESSED ARE THE HOSPITAL  
WORKERS; THE AMBULANCE CREWS,  
THE DOCTORS, THE NURSES, THE CARE  
ASSISTANTS, AND THE CLEANERS



FOR THEY STAND BETWEEN US AND  
THE GRAVE, AND THE KINGDOM OF  
HEAVEN IS SURELY THEIRS

BLESSED ARE THE  
CHECKOUT WORKERS



FOR THEY HAVE PATIENCE AND  
FORTITUDE IN THE FACE OF  
OVERWORK AND FRUSTRATION

BLESSED ARE THE  
REFUSE COLLECTORS



FOR THEY WILL SEE  
GOD DESPITE THE  
MOUNTAINS OF WASTE

BLESSED ARE THE  
TEACHERS



FOR THEY REMAIN  
STEADFAST AND  
CONSTANT IN  
DISTURBING TIMES

BLESSED ARE THE CHURCH  
WORKERS; THE DEACONS,  
PRIESTS AND BISHOPS



FOR THEY ARE A COMFORTING  
PRESENCE IN A HURTING  
WORLD AS THEY CONTINUE TO  
SIGNPOST TOWARDS GOD

BLESSED ARE THE SINGLE  
PARENTS,



FOR THEY ARE COPING  
ALONE WITH THEIR  
RESPONSIBILITIES AND  
THERE IS NO RESPIRE

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO  
ARE ALONE,



FOR THEY ARE CHILDREN OF  
GOD AND WITH HIM THEY  
WILL NEVER BE LONELY

BLESSED ARE THE  
BEREAVED,



FOR WHOM THE WORST HAS  
ALREADY HAPPENED. THEY  
SHALL BE COMFORTED

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO  
ARE ISOLATED WITH THEIR  
ABUSERS



FOR ONE DAY - WE PRAY -  
THEY WILL KNOW SAFETY

BLESSED ARE ALL DURING THIS TIME WHO HAVE PURE HEARTS;  
ALL WHO STILL HUNGER AND THIRST FOR JUSTICE; ALL WHO  
WORK FOR PEACE AND WHO MODEL MERCY



MAY YOU KNOW COMFORT. MAY YOU KNOW CALM. AND MAY THE  
GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, AND THE LOVE OF GOD, AND  
THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, BE WITH US ALL. AMEN



## Sparklers at Home Wellbeing Toolkit

Sparklers at Home, supported by the Ministry of Health, is to enable parents and caregivers to support the wellbeing of their tamariki during Covid-19. There are many tools on this page which are aimed at children or family members who may be feeling anxious as we transition back to normal life.

<https://sparklers.org.nz/parenting/>

### Itinerant Programmes

#### Speech and Drama

Katherine Ford will start Speech and drama lessons with students next **THURSDAY 28 MAY**.

#### Itinerant Music / Choir

Our tutors, Sheryl and Alister, will be on site on Friday to commence their lessons with private students as well as work with the choir.

#### Art Class

Tuesday afternoon Art Class will resume on **TUESDAY 26 May** after school in Rm 7. Kris has made contact with all those who are part of this group via email but if you would like your child to be part of this group please phone Kris Holloway on 027 973 655.

## CALENDAR

### 2020

#### Term 2

22  
26 May  
28  
29  
1 June  
24  
25

#### Tuesday 28 April—3 July

Music lessons & Choir begins  
Art classes resume for Term 2  
Speech & Drama begins  
Kapa Haka commences  
Queen's Birthday Holiday  
Student Led Conferences 1—7pm  
Student Led Conferences 3.15—6pm

#### Term 3

4 August  
21 August  
28 September

#### 20 July—25 September

School Photos  
Teacher Only Day  
SC Anniversary Day

#### Term 4

23 October  
26 October

#### 12 October—17 December

Teacher Only Day  
Labour Day Holiday

## ROSTERS

#### Altar Servers

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#### Fruit

Monday: Tamara Batchelor  
Tuesday: Hayley Wills  
Wednesday: Kathy Wright  
Thursday: Ingris Gomez  
Friday: Rose James

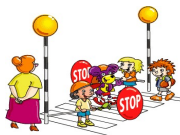


#### Road Patrol

Monday: Tamara Batchelor  
Tuesday: Tamara Page  
Wednesday: Kathy Wright  
Thursday: **Helper Needed**  
Friday: Anna Cullen



Please note Fruit in Schools programme restarts on Tuesday 2 June.



Are you able to help with Road Patrol at 3pm on a Thursday after school for 10 minutes. If you can help please phone Janette at the school office—615 8206. Thank you.

## St Mary Mackillop Value

LISTEN TO  
GODS CALL

### Term 2

### Week 1

*During the last seven weeks  
our world has been very  
different as we sheltered in  
our bubble.*

*As we come back together  
again we will work hard to*

***“make room for all”***

*by making everyone feel  
calm and happy about  
returning to school.*

***How will I make room  
for all in my classroom  
this week?***

DOING OUR  
BIT

ATTITUDE OF  
GRATITUDE

MAKING  
ROOM  
FOR ALL

*To live from the Heart  
To live with the sacred  
To live like Joseph  
To live as sisters  
To live!*

Founded in Australia by  
Blessed Mary MacKillop  
and Julian Tenison Woods

## FOSJ News

For new families who are not familiar with what we do, FOSJ is a parent committee that fundraiser to give our school opportunities and equipment for our children that otherwise would not be possible.

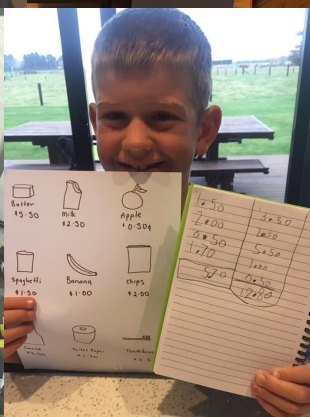
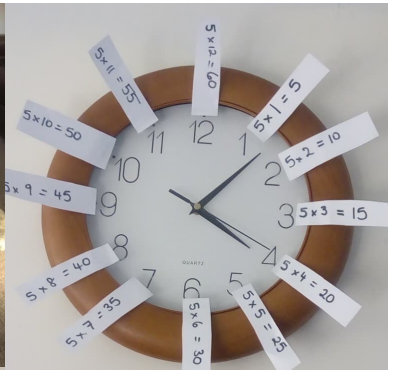
### FOSJ Monday BBQ Starting Monday 12 June

This is a BBQ to fundraise for FOSJ and could be one of the only fundraisers that we will be able to have this year due to Covid-19. Our BBQ runs on a Monday and we need parent support to keep this going. We have a roster-based system needing 2 parents arriving at school at 12 noon preparing the BBQ and cooking the sausages and meat patties and another parent to come into school at 9am to collate orders and order bread and sausages,

If you are available, please let Aimee Baird (027 360 3054) or Jess Hanifin (027 354 4890) know and we can add your name to the roster.

We are still looking for new faces to come and join FOSJ. If you would like to know more have a chat with Aimee or Jess.







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