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## Newsletter No.11 St Benedict's School Khandallah

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10 April 2018

### Key Dates

April	
10	Futsal Years 5-8
11	Mission Fair – School uniform
12	Futsal Years 3-4
13	Mufti day – HOK
13	<b>Term 1 ends – 2:50pm</b>
29	Second Hand Uniform Sale – 11am - 12:30pm
30	<b>Term 2 begins</b>
May	
1	World Asthma Day
2	Class Mass – Rooms 4 & 9
8	Futsal Years 1-2
9	Class Mass – Rooms 5 & 10
10	Swimming commences for Year 3-8
16	Class Mass – Rooms 6 & 11

Three weeks until our new online school newsletter is published  
First Edition: Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May (Week 1, Term 2)

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

### Quiz Night at 1841 Bar and Restaurant – HoK Committee Members Marina Scoble and Kate Twigg report:

It was great to see so many of the school and wider community working together as a team, sharing their general knowledge and creating a vibrant and enthusiastic buzz around the room. Thank you to the 110 people who supported our first social fundraiser for 2018.

We promise we didn't see anyone leaning towards other people's tables in order to hear another teams answers or anyone glancing at upside down or flipped over answer sheets under the false pretence of saying hi to a neighbouring team. We did however see many people having fun and enjoying each other's company.

Congratulations to the winning table and those who scooped up the great raffle prizes. Thanks to Mr Hinds for providing an auction prize of a half hour longer lunch break, which Room 3 and Mrs Wood enjoyed yesterday afternoon! Due to your very generous contribution, we were able to raise **over \$3000** for HOK, which is an amazing and awesome start to 2018 everyone! Let's keep the momentum going forward.

### Reporting to Parents in 2018

As we near the end of Term 1, I thought it timely to remind parents of the 2018 dates that we will either be meeting with, or reporting to parents. As mentioned earlier this year at February's Meet the Teacher Evening, the following table provides information as to when parents can expect to have either opportunities to meet with their child's class teacher, or receive a written report. On top of opportunities to attend classroom daily prayers, day trips, sports days, drop in's and writing an email, please do feel free to make an appointment to see your child's teacher should there be something you wish to discuss.

Term(s)	Year(s)	Date	What
1	All	8 <sup>th</sup> February	Meet the Teacher Evening
1	1-8	28 <sup>th</sup> February and 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Goal Setting Interviews
2	All	4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Parent / Teacher Interview and action plan report
4	All	13 <sup>th</sup> December	End of Year Written Report
All	0	Ongoing	Six-Week Interviews (New Entrants)

**Year 6 Camp – Mrs Cheryl Taylor reports:**

Last Wednesday a very excited group of Year 6 students drove through a guard of honour (the rest of the school students lining the driveway waving them off) as they embarked on their journey to Palm Grove, Paraparaumu to attend their first school camp.

The students experienced a variety of challenges and had to overcome their fears and support each other so that they could complete activities including: orienteering - which took them through some dense undergrowth and unmarked tracks (there was even a recount of being faced with quicksand which turned out to be mud!), team building activities - where they had to work and problem solve together, the low ropes course and a confidence and agility course. Each day ended with a splash in the outdoor pool (for the brave as it wasn't heated) and the camp favourite the longest water slide ever seen!

The students were wonderful. They helped each other, looked after themselves and have grown in confidence through this experience. We are very proud of what they have achieved.

Huge thank you to the teachers who made this experience possible Mrs Cassidy and Mrs Short. To the parents Perry Dinnan (who attended the entire camp), Fiona Murphy, Adriana Morena, Anthony Tuck, Robyn Wishart, Natasha and Ian Robinson, Wayne Stevens, Francis Faraon, Sarah Flutey, Phil Peet and Charles Agate for giving their time and energy to making the Year 6 Camp such a great success. Also to Sam Walker and Tim Hanlon for helping to transport students. Finally to Richard Uerata-Jennings who came to camp each day to support us but most importantly armed with the daily coffee order for those staying on camp - such a welcome sight! Thank you all. Photos are on the school's blog.

**Year 5 Team Building Activities – Mrs Molly Kelly reports:**

Last Thursday the Year 5 students enjoyed a day of team building down at Nairnville Park. They used Empathy, Perseverance, Integrity and Creativity to work through challenges and really came together as a year group. Please refer to the school's blog (website address above in blue) to see evidence of their success!

**World Asthma Day – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May, St Benedict's School will be participating in 'World Asthma Day'. The Asthma and Respiratory Foundation NZ are running a national campaign with schools across the country on this day. As a school, we'll be provided with a range of resources to help us participate in activities which will help students understand the effects of asthma. There may be some filming and/or photos taken of classes working on these activities which could be used to publicise the event.

Pleasingly, as a result of raising awareness of World Asthma Day at St Benedict's we'll be offered the opportunity to host a free interactive workshop for parents and students affected by asthma later in the year. Dates to be confirmed closer to the time. For further information visit [www.asthmaandrespiratory.org.nz](http://www.asthmaandrespiratory.org.nz)

**Mission Fair, Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April – Mrs Cheryl Taylor writes:**

Tomorrow, Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April we are holding our annual Mission Fair. The Mission Fair is a fundraising event run by the Year 6-8 students to raise money for a charity. This year the money is being given to Caritas for their Lent Appeal in support of the people of Timor-Leste who are rebuilding their lives after gaining independence from Indonesia. Students are asked to bring some of their own pocket money to purchase goods provided by the Year 6-8 students. There will be a variety of foods to purchase – ice creams, pizza, hot chips, home baking. Also activities such as face painting, treasure hunts, pillow fights, nerf gun challenges and tombola. Fun for all! All money collected will be donated to Caritas. Children will be in school uniform.

**Kapa Haka and Te Reo Maori Lessons Starting Term 2**

A reminder that in Term 2 there will be Kapa Haka and Te Reo Maori lessons. These lessons will take place on Fridays during Term 2, and then move to Tuesdays for Terms 3 & 4. The Kapa Haka group is open to all students who wish to learn Waiata, Haka, Karakia and Poi among a range of other experiences.

**Road Patrol Reminders**

Thank you to all of the parents who arrive on time each day to support our trained road patrol students. Your support is vital for us to be able to carry out this community service. We really appreciate that it takes you away from your normal everyday duties, which can sometimes be a challenge. Thank you!

I wanted to also take this opportunity to clarify what happens to road patrol if either the parent on duty or the students on duty are unable to be there. As mentioned at the February Meet the Teacher presentation and in an earlier newsletter, our students are not allowed to carry out road patrol unsupervised. So, they wait in the chalet for the parent of duty to arrive. If no parent supervisor arrives, the students can not undertake their road patrol duties. The students

are trained and know what to do but they are only children and need the support of an adult to keep them and others safe. Likewise, if the students do not arrive then there is no road patrol in place. **In both these cases, the crossing reverts back to being a pedestrian crossing and normal road rules apply.**

Also on days when Wellington's wind is at its very best and the teacher or parent on road patrol supervision decides it is too windy for the students to safely use the road patrol signs, the students return to school and the **patrol reverts back to a pedestrian crossing**. We can only legally stop traffic if the road patrol signs are being used and the crossing is being supervised by an adult. Parents who are on Term 2 road crossing duty were today issued with a hard copy of their duty day and a road crossing information letter from myself.

### **An End of Term 1 Message From Mr Hinds:**

I would like to place on record my sincere gratitude to the St Benedict's Community for their unwavering support of me since taking up the Principal's position this year. Your early morning curb side greetings, positive emails and friendly hellos in the playground have been very well received. I am grateful for your acts of kindness and words of encouragement. It's a true blessing for me to be Principal of this school. I count myself lucky and sincerely enjoy working amicably and collaboratively with the staff, students and parents of St Benedict's School as we all work to provide the best environment for our students.

Please do enjoy the following list of successes, highlights and achievements during Term 1:

- Opening Day assembly
- Weekly school assemblies
- HoK and Board support
- Meet the Teacher evening
- Parent Library Working Bee
- St Benedict's School blog posts
- Hockey lessons
- Ash Wednesday Mass
- School Picnic
- Playground Working Bee
- Goal Setting Interviews
- St Benedict's Statue erected in the foyer
- Lost property relocated
- Girls' Futsal competition
- Student Road Patrol refresher course
- Becoming a Bronze EnviroSchool holder
- Netball trials, finals and games
- Northern Zone cricket tournaments
- Year 8 Camp (Hillary Outdoors Education)
- Appointment of Mrs Amy Miller (Room 2 Teacher)
- Reaccreditation of our After School Care Programme
- New backdrop for the school's stage area
- Manuka scooter skills workshop
- Prayer quilts
- Weetbix Kids TRYathlon
- Otari-Wilton's Bush Enviro Day
- Epic Edwina enlisted
- Epic pencils on driveway
- Stations of the Cross service
- Manuka Athletics Day
- Year 6 Camp to Palm Grove, Paraparaumu
- Mission Fair
- Northern Zone Futsal Tournament

And that's a wrap for Term 1! On behalf of the school I'd like to wish all staff, students and parents a safe, enjoyable and relaxing holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April, when Term 2 starts, 8:50am sharp!

Grace and blessings  
Michael Hinds  
Principal, St Benedict's School

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## **St Benedict's School - Student and Staff Section**

### **This Week's Epic Eddie Winners... Room 5**

Dear Mr Hinds, I have a class of amazing students. They have been working on their EPIC values since the start of the year and have grown in oh so many ways. They now know their routines, which makes it so much easier to get through their work. Practicing and persevering with their reading and writing means that each individual has made exciting progress. Their beautiful portraits, classroom art and singing bring out their strong creative talents. Room 5 you have come such a long way and I'm so proud of you. Congratulations, Mrs McGowan.



### This Week's Epic Edwina Winners... Room 4

Dear Mr Hinds, I would like to nominate Room 3 for the first ever Epic Edwina award this week. We are an EPIC class who deserve to win this week. We have worked really hard this term and Mrs Wood is so proud of how we have settled into St Benedict's School. Many thanks, Mrs Wood



### This Week's Saint Benedict Award Winner...Fiona Barnett

Congratulations to Fiona Barnett who was presented with the *St Benedict Award* in assembly by last week's winner Sarah Wood for being a wonderful person, for her wonderful work around the school and for the environment. Fiona is a great colleague who shares her resources and is always helpful. Well done Fiona for being nominated by your fellow colleagues this week.

The highly sought-after *Saint Benedict Award* is given by staff to staff each week at assembly.



### St Benedict's House Points Update

Due to no scores being counted last week, there were some bumper scores this week! Week 6 & 7's House Point scores are as follows.

1<sup>st</sup> Ngatoto (998 points)

2<sup>nd</sup> Murphy (984 points)

3<sup>rd</sup> Evans (785 points)

4<sup>th</sup> Brigidine (770 points)



Well done to Jeannie-Mae Dinnan who was recently awarded two trophies for best 10 year old and overall outstanding female athlete from the Onslow Athletics Club. Well Done Jeannie-Mae, no doubt you've been staying up late watching the Commonwealth Games last and this week!

### Student Voice – This week our mystery reporter asked the students what they are looking forward to the most during the holidays...

Going to the South Island to see my family (Billy, Room 11)

Going to electronics workshop in Wellington (Johann, Room 12)

Visiting Rainbow's end in Auckland with my family (Alex, Room 11)

Going to Kate's 12<sup>th</sup> birthday party at her house (Amelia, Room 12)

Looking forward to my birthday party (Kate, Room 12)

Having a four day break to a top secret location that my parents won't tell me about... yet (Anna, Room 12)



Over the past seven days, our solar panels generated **79.9kWh of solar energy. Co2 saved – 18.9gs over the past seven days.** Our school page can be viewed by clicking on the St Benedict's School Schoolgen link: <http://schoolgen.co.nz/schoolgen-schools/st-benedicts-school>.

There are more photos on the school's official blog: <http://stbensepicblog.blogspot.co.nz/>

Please note the change that has been made to the community notices. Click on this link [http://www.st-benedicts.school.nz/?page\\_id=1639](http://www.st-benedicts.school.nz/?page_id=1639) to our school website where these notices are displayed.



## HOK Notices

### Quiz Night Success

Marina Scoble and Kate Twigg organised a wonderful quiz night at 1841 in Johnsonville last Sunday night. Thank you to all those who attended/donated and supported this night. Due to your generous contribution - which included \$300 worth of brought answers along with raffles and ticket purchases – we were able to raise **over \$3000!**

Congratulations to Kimberly Taylor for the most tickets sold by a Parent Rep with a very impressive effort getting 12 parents from Room 3 involved. Congrats also to Milly Hanlon for winning the auction, an extra half hour lunch break for unfortunately only one of your child's class – Room 3 and Mrs Wood were the lucky winners after a lucky dip draw between rooms 3, 12, 9, 7 and 6.

### **Donation from Mike Pero Real Estate**



Thank you to Wayne and Marina from Mike Pero Real Estate for donating **\$500** to the school. Thanks to the Berry family for listing and selling their home with Marina.

### **Second Hand Uniform Sale – Sunday 29 April**

Winter uniform sale in the school library from 11am to 12.30pm

If you have any winter uniforms to donate then contact Andrea on [thejetleys@xtra.co.nz](mailto:thejetleys@xtra.co.nz)

### **Entertainment Book 2018/2019**

\$65 for a book or digital membership, with deals around Wellington or other locations. Each one sold raises \$13 towards the landscaping and rebuilding of the upper play and bank area at St Benedicts School.

Order at <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/10422e1> (or the school office).

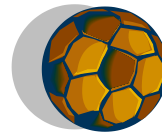
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**Friday, 13 April = MUFTI DAY**

Just a friendly reminder the last **Friday (13 April)** in term 1 is **Mufti day**. In exchange, we ask you to kindly donate an item for the lucky dip and/or a gold coin donation would be greatly appreciated.

A few suggestions for lucky dip items include: left over party favours, pencils, pens, notepads, jewellery, small soft toys, stickers, small colouring books, bubble mixture, small toys, toy cars, stamps, water pistols, whistles, yoyos and small animals. We are also looking for any extra lego you might like to donate.

## ***Sports Notices & Student Achievements***



### **KELLY CLUB APRIL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME:**

**April Holiday Programme** starting from the 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018 – 27<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at the following venues: **Kelly Club Wilton (wests rugby clubrooms, Ian Galloway Park, Wilton), Westpark School, Churton Park School, Amesbury School.**

Kelly Club Holiday Programmes focus on giving children aged between 5 and 13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment. The programmes are packed with activities to entertain and inspire children.

For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit [www.kellyclub.co.nz](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz) email [adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz) or call **04 972 7201**

### **KELLY SPORTS TERM 2 2018:**

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 2 with their fun and exciting classes.

**“Wicked Winter Sports” (Yrs 1-4) – Tuesday 3.05pm – 4.05pm;** Come and try **Football, Basketball, Hockey and Volleyball.** Try 2 weeks each of these sports. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play.

It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play. Learn the fundamental skills for all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more – all while having a great time!

**FOOTBALL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME (Yrs 1–8)** Green Room, Wests Rugby Club Rooms, Wilton (all weather indoor surface).

Improve technique by working on the core skills of control, dribbling, passing, tackling & shooting with head coach Martin.

Week 1 - Tues, Wed & Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm

Week 2 – Mon, Tues, Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm

**Girls Only** – Mon 16<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am-12.30pm

**NETBALL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME (Yrs 1-8)** – Onslow College Gym, Johnsonville

Week 2 – Mon, Tues 1.30pm-4.30pm

Grow your child's confidence with our netball skills programme, focusing on the key skills areas for their level of development. With our experienced coaches, children can work on ball handling, game sense, co-ordination, speed and accuracy. We use fun drills and games to develop and challenge young players while also having fun!

For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit [www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) email [adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz) or call 04 972 7201

## WEEKLY REFLECTION

*"Every act of kindness and compassion done by any [person] for his fellow Christian is done by Christ working within [that person]."*

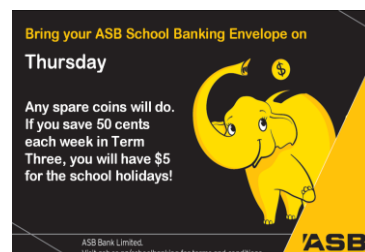
*Julian of Norwich 1342-1416 (English Christian mystic and author of "Revelations of Divine Love")*

### ASB SCHOOL BANKING

Has your child been registered for School Banking? If not please ask at the office for a form to sign up for their Head Start Saving Account.

Once your child has been registered they will receive a Kid's School Banking pack which will include a calculator, savings diary and deposit envelopes to help them get started.

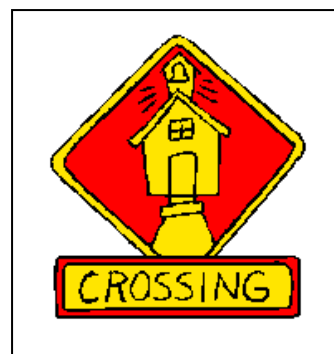
For easy and convenient banking for your child, the ASB has provided a Deposit Drop Box in the office area where your child can make their regular savings deposit. Emma McCallum



### PARENT ROAD PATROL

Term 1		
Tuesday	10 April	Mazur family
Wednesday	11 April	McAllum family
Thursday	12 April	McDougall family
Friday	13 April	McMillan family

Term 2		
Monday	30 April	Medalla family
Tuesday	01 May	Mejia-Moreno family
Wednesday	02 May	Murphy family
Thursday	03 May	Novilla family
Friday	04 May	O'Brien family



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## MUSIC LESSONS

Your child can learn how to play the keyboard at this school.

**The lessons are run during school hours and all ages are welcome!**

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## COMMUNITY NOTICES

Click here for all community notices - [http://www.st-benedicts.school.nz/?page\\_id=1639](http://www.st-benedicts.school.nz/?page_id=1639)

## HOK Sponsors

Thank you to businesses and individuals that sponsor and support St Benedict's School. We acknowledge and appreciate their support and ask that you use them when you can.

### Locals Helping Locals



For any referral that leads to a direct sale, Wayne & Marina will donate \$500 to St Benedict's School - Help our Kids (HOK) as part of our ongoing community support.

*Please ensure the home owner mentions this when they contact us to discuss the sale of their home.*

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