

CATHOLIC CHARACTER NEWS

Lenten Reflection

Do You Want To Fast This Lent?

Fast from hurting words and say kind words
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude
Fast from anger and be filled with patience
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope
Fast from worries and have trust in God
Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity
Fast from pressures and be prayerful
Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others
Fast from grudges and be reconciled
Fast from words and be silent so you can listen

In the words of Pope Francis

Home Group Masses

This morning the Kiwi Team attended the Parish Mass at 9.15am. Each Home group attends Parish Masses during the year as Mass is central to our Catholic faith. We would love family to join their children, when they attend Mass. Below is the timetable for the remainder of this term

Friday 17 March	HG3	Mrs McDougall
Friday 24 March	HG6	Mrs Sietu
Friday 31 March	HG9	Miss Viskovich
Friday 7 April	HG12	Miss Luxford

STUDENT NEWS

Waterwise – Sailing

Written by Xin Ang Lau

My heart was racing. This year the Year 6s had to teach the Year 5s. A real nerve racking experience if you ask me. Never mind writing but WATERWISE!? I was done for!

A few minutes later ...

We had changed into our wetsuits ready to go. My group was assigned to the sand. The last ones on the boats. I can't say I was

estatic, but I wasn't annoyed either. We played on the sand for about half an hour before we were called to sail.

SPLASH! Chloe and I were called to the motor boat. Speeding off, we took the places Ryan and Dylan in the yellow boat. Slowly we stepped inside the watery sail boat. Once we settled in Darron our instructor started to shout out instructions like "pull in the mainsheet! Middle! Forwards!"

BANG! The boom hit Chloe's head. "Ouch" she stammered. But there is no time to worry ...

Waterwise

It was a watertastic week for all our year 5s and 6s in Kakariki who went to Waterwise at Murrays Bay

The first thing Instructor Darren taught us was how to rig an optimist. After that we learnt how to sail an optimist using the mainsheet and the rudder.

We thought we should ask a year 5 about how they thought it went and if they liked the Waterwise program. Abigail Street said that her most enjoyable part was "sailing the optimist between the flags". She also explained, "First you struggle when sailing but then you soon get the hang of it, after you have been out on the water for a while."

Everyone showed courage. We all learnt to sail at sea and kayak on our own. This made us feel really proud of ourselves.



Thanks to all of the adults that were there as we couldn't have experienced this without their help.

Mr Bridgman watched as we rigged our optimists.
Setting off to sail. The optimists were out at sea as others had taken them out before it was our turn.



We learnt to kayak and felt confident afterwards. Go Jack!





By Ryan Barry and Daniel Cullum

BOARD NEWS

PTA NEWS

Chocolate Fundraiser

Thank you for the great effort that is being put into selling chocolates. Please ensure you return money collected. If you have not been able to sell some or all of your chocolates please return them and they will be given to someone who is able to sell them. Thank you for all your support of this PTA fundraiser.

Boss Baby – Thursday 23rd March 6.30pm – Berkeley Cinemas, Takapuna

These movie tickets are on sale now! We are fortunate to have this “early viewing” available to our school for fundraising. Buy the tickets for a great family evening. Movie forms are available at the office and can be returned, with money, to the ‘movie box’ in the office.

SPORTS NEWS

Shore to Shore – 9 April 2017

Shore to Shore is the North Shore's largest 5km fun run with over 4,000 in 2016. The run starts at Takapuna Grammar School, heads along both the picturesque Takapuna and Milford beaches and ends at Milford Reserve.

This event brings together the North Shore community and supports local schools by

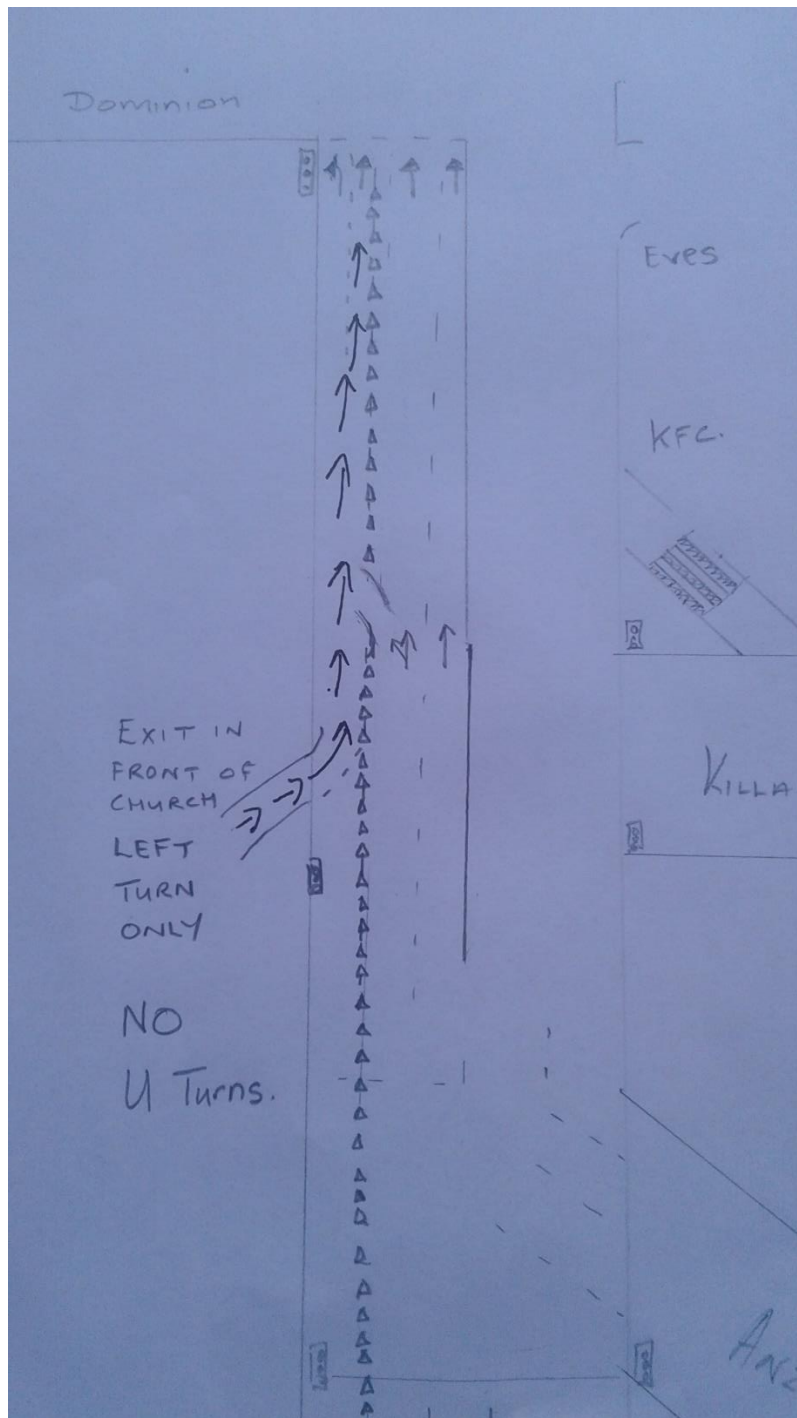
providing them with an opportunity to raise funds for much needed sports gear. Get your friends, parents, Aunties, Uncles and even your Grandparents together, dress them up, and join us for the fun!

Check out www.shoretoshore.co.nz and mark the date on your calendar.

GENERAL NEWS

Road Works

In order to ensure you are not involved in an accident when driving onto Taharoto drive, it is essential you carefully drive through the lights down Taharoto drive and NOT through the cones, turning right or doing a U turn to get onto Anzac St. These options are exceedingly dangerous to you, your children and other motorists and their families using these roads.



Firewood

The school is offering the logs and timber rings from the trees felled on the lower field. This is green wood that will take 2-3 years to dry out before it is safe to burn.

The charge will be \$50 for a small trailer load and \$100 for a large trailer load. Payment the day of collection.

If you are interested, please contact the school office and provide your details. We will contact you and let you know which Saturday you can collect your wood. We are keen to have the wood all collected before the field becomes too wet to drive on.

God bless

Alister Bridgman
Principal