



SAINT BERNADETTE'S SCHOOL

Loving our learning, Living our faith, Knowing our God

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

22 November, 2017

We still have 3 more weeks of learning in 2017 and we are proud of the learning and progress we have made through the year. Something we always like to think about is how children can enjoy reading in the summer holiday to ensure that the learning they have done doesn't go backwards over the break.



In the past we have had a summer reading evening in our library to allow children to take books for the holiday. This year we are doing things a bit differently in an effort to get you more involved.

This year we are making strong connections with the Naenae Library. The Naenae library is a lovely place with really nice staff who like to support children and their families to read and enjoy books.



Over the next couple of weeks all of our classes are going to visit the Naenae Library and get to know the place and the people and enjoy the books. You are welcome to join your child's class for a visit, please talk to your child's class teacher. Your child might come home with a form for you and your children to get a library card. The library also have a summer reading challenge it would be great to have St Bernadette's students involved in.

Naku noa Nā

Jo Buckley
Principal



Term 4 Dates 2017

Thursday 23rd November	Room 1 Class Mass - Christ the King	9am
Thursday 30th November	Room 2 Class Mass - Advent	9am
Tuesday 5th December	Year 7 & 8 Regional Athletics (Postponement date - Thursday 7th Dec)	
	Board of Trustees Meeting in Staffroom	7pm
Sunday 10th December	First Reconciliation at St Bernadette's Church	5pm
Monday 11th December	School Picnic	
Thursday 14th December	End of Year Mass - Parish Hall	6pm
Friday 15th December	Last Day of School for 2017 School finishes	12.30pm
Monday 5th February	First day of 2018 School Year	

Interzone Athletics

Our children did really well at the Interzone Athletics held in Naenae Park last week. Here are the results:

Blessing Peniata	1st - High Jump; 2nd 100m sprints; 4th Quoit throw
Faith Uila	1st Quoit throw; 4th Vortex throw
Ashleigh Sharma	4th Quoit throw
Mabei Makoii	1st 800m sprints
Mary Fidow	2nd Vortex throw
Isaac Makoii	2nd High jump
Tim Haerewa-Puka	3rd Vortex throw



These children will be representing St Bernadette's in the next Central Zone Athletics.

EMERGENCY MOBILE ALERT



If your life, health or property is in danger, Emergency Mobile Alerts can be sent to your mobile, without needing to sign up or download an app.

Visit civildefence.govt.nz to check if your phone is compatible.



If your life, health or property is in serious danger, an Emergency Mobile Alert could be sent to your mobile phone.

The alerts are sent using cell broadcast technology, so there is no need to sign up or download an app. They can also be targeted to affected areas, so you will only get them if the emergency is in your area.

Emergency Mobile Alert messages can only be sent by the Ministry of Civil Defence & Emergency Management, Civil Defence Emergency Management Groups, NZ Police, Fire and Emergency New Zealand, the Ministry of Health and the Ministry for Primary Industries.

If your phone is on, capable of receiving them and inside the targeted area, you should get the alerts. You can find out whether your phone can receive the alerts at civildefence.govt.nz.

Emergency Mobile Alert messages do not replace other emergency alerts. They are an additional way of warning you, along with other channels. Take immediate action. Not all phones are capable of receiving the alerts, so if you receive an alert, let others know. If you feel your life is in danger, don't wait for an official warning.

How does Emergency Mobile Alert work?

Emergency Mobile Alerts use a dedicated signal, so they are more reliable in an emergency when mobile phone and internet traffic could overload the network.

It doesn't matter which network you are on. Any capable phone entering the area during the broadcast period will receive the alert.

Can I opt out of receiving Emergency Mobile Alerts?

As Emergency Mobile Alert is about keeping you safe, you won't be able to opt-out of receiving Emergency Mobile Alert. Your phone may show optional settings used in other countries, but in New Zealand we will use a special broadcast channel that is permanently on.

What should I do if I receive an Emergency Mobile Alert?

Stop what you're doing and follow the instructions.

Emergency Mobile Alert messages are only sent by authorised emergency agencies, and only if there is serious threat to life, health or property (and one or two tests per year), so if you receive an alert take it seriously and do what it says.

Emergency Mobile Alert does not replace other channels

Emergency Mobile Alert is another channel used for keeping you safe if there is an emergency. Other channels, such as radio, TV, websites and social media will still be used. The alerts do not replace other alerting systems, or the need to take action after natural warnings.

You should still be prepared for an emergency, and you shouldn't wait to get an alert before you act. If you feel your life is in danger, don't wait for an official warning. Take immediate action.

Take the time to make your own emergency plan which includes what to do, where to go, who can help you and who might need your help. You can make a plan online at happens.nz.

Find out more about Emergency Mobile Alerts at civildefence.govt.nz.

