



# SAINT BERNADETTE'S SCHOOL

Loving our learning, Living our faith, Knowing our God

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Kia ora koutou,

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We have been reflecting on our school vision while working towards developing our new strategic plan for the next three years.

While doing that we have realised we do not have a shared set of values for our school. We have used SHINE to focus on the behaviour and culture of our school and now it seems time to retire our beloved SHINE and have a shared set of values for us to strive to live to.

This week Room 5 & 6 students are talking with their families about this as their homework. But I would be really keen to hear the thoughts of anyone who has an opinion on what our school values should be.



Values are beliefs that you live by. They usually show others what we think is important in life, in the way we behave. School values would be a guide for how we want St Bernadette's Students, Teachers and Community to live and learn.

**The teachers have been thinking and talking and have prioritised these...**

Aroha	empathy, compassion, kindness, love, caring,
Te tapu o te tangata	Respect. - The sacredness of the person.
Manaaki	to support, take care of, give hospitality to, protect, look out for - show respect, generosity and care for others.
Pono	true, valid, honest, genuine, sincere. loyalty, allegiance, dependability, sincerity, integrity
Tika	to be correct, true, upright, right, just, fair, accurate, appropriate, lawful, proper, valid

These are very similar to the values of the Mercy Sisters that founded our school which is quite a nice link.

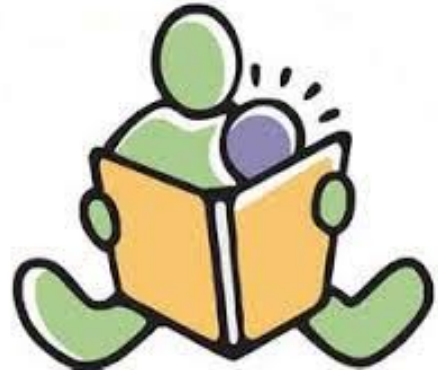


The Year 6 Students have also come up with a list to think about; Respect, Love, Responsibility, Caring, Integrity, Forgiveness, Hope, Positive, Kindness, Justice, Sharing, Truthful, Generous, Inclusive

**Do you have any thoughts on what our school values should be?**  
***Feel free to write me a note, send me an email, come and talking to me, call in or call me on the phone. I would love to hear your thinking.***

## Reading together

Parents of Year 1 students have just been sent an invitation to participate in this year's programme of Reading Together. We have run Reading Together at St Bernadette's School since 2008 and know that it is a great way to help your children with reading and talking. Anyone who is interested is welcome to join in the Reading Together sessions. The best way to do Reading Together is to come to all of the sessions. They are from 6pm - 7pm on Thursdays 3rd June, 10th June and 1st July. Please let me know if you are interested.



## Developing Mathematical Inquiry Communities (DMIC)

Another date I would love everyone to mark on their calendar now is **Wednesday 9th of June**. We are going to have a Parent Night all about the exciting learning we have been doing in maths over the last couple of years. We call it DMIC (Developing Mathematical Inquiry Communities) and it is lead by Massey University. Two facilitators that have been working with us are coming to talk with our community about how this maths learning works, and benefits your children and what you can do to support it. We would love everyone to come. We will have childcare available.



## Important dates for Term 2 2021

Friday 14th May	Year 8 Students - Naenae Boxing Club	
	Assembly - Room 6	2.30pm in the Hall
Thursday 20th May	Room 3 Class Mass - Pentecost	9am in Room 3
	Board of Trustees meeting	7pm in Staffroom
Friday 21st May	Year 8 Students - Naenae Boxing Club	
	School Cross Country	
Friday 28th May	Year 8 Students - Naenae Boxing Club	
	Assembly - Room 5	
Tuesday 1st June	Central Zone Cross Country	
Wednesday 2nd June	Sacred Heart College Open morning for our Year 8s	10am - 11.30am
Thursday 3rd June	Reading Together - Session 1	
<b>Friday 4th June</b>	<b>Teacher Only Day - DMIC</b>	
Monday 7th June	Queen's Birthday holiday	
Wednesday 9th June	DMIC (Developing Mathematical Inquiry Communities) parent session	6pm - 7pm in Parish Hall
Thursday 10th June	Reading Together - Session 2	6pm - 7pm in Staffroom
Friday 11th June	Year 8 Students - Naenae Boxing Club	
	Assembly - Room 4	2.30pm in the Hall
Tuesday 15th June	Interzone Cross Country	
	Confirmation Practice at St Michael's Church in Taita	6pm - 7pm
Friday 18th June	Year 8 Students - Naenae Boxing Club	
<b>Monday 21st June</b>	<b>Staff Only Day - Critical Histories of Aotearoa New Zealand</b>	
Tuesday 22nd June	Confirmation at St Michael's Church in Taita	6pm
Thursday 24th June	Board of Trustees meeting	7pm in Staffroom
Friday 25th June	R4 Badminton & Year 8 Students - Naenae Boxing Club	
	Assembly - R2	2.30pm in the Hall
Thursday 1st July	Reading Together - Session 3	
	Room 4 - Badminton. & Year 8 Students - Naenae Boxing Club	
Wednesday 7th July	Our Culture Group performing at <b>Hutt Fest</b> - Walter Nash	6pm start
Thursday 8th July	New Entrant Hutt Fest at Walter Nash	During the school day
Friday 9th July	Year 8 Students - Naenae Boxing Club	
	Assembly - Room 1	
	Last day of Term 2	
Monday 26th July	First day of Term 3	