

# Holy Cross School Newsletter No. 21

**Absentees: If your child is away from school please ring the office by 9.30am (or text 027 7381007)**  
<http://www.holycross.school.nz>

30 June 2010

Dear Parents,

Kia Ora, Talofa Lava, Malo e lelei, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Namaste, Malo Ni, Kia Orana, Nimen Hao, Mabuhay, C  ad Mile F  ilte and Greetings

Our new Administration block is now open for business. We are very fortunate to have such a modern, open and very functional building. New offices, medical room, paraplegic shower and toilet, meeting room, teachers workroom, staff toilets and small kitchenette and parking in the front of our building is limited to a short 10 minute parking and Management parking only.

Bishop Pat will officially bless and open our building on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August at 10.30am.

This Friday (23.07.10) at 11am will be the official opening of our Confucius Classroom. This recognises the contract our school now has with the Confucius Institute at Auckland University, Ministry of Education and The Haban (The Ministry of Education) in China. Our school will receive resources, funding, teacher training and assistance to further enhance our mandarin classes at our school and our neighbour schools of St Dominics College, Western Heights and Henderson North. You are welcome to join us on Friday. Our guests include the Chinese Ambassador, : The Secretary of Education, Kevin Sewell: Brother Pat Lynch , The Director of the New Zealand Catholic Education Office: Linda McQuade, Vicar for Education in Auckland: local Ministers of Parliament and other guests from The Confucius Institute and our community.

**There will be no tuckshop on Friday.**

\* P.T.F.A. – Disco & Quiz night

## **Student Reports**

With the changes in reporting that are required for National Standards we have decided to issue our next student reports at the end of the term and hold parent/student/teacher meetings at the beginning of term 4.

## **Calendar of Events Term 4**

Dates to watch out for:

- \* Confucius Classroom launch
- \* Catholic School Office Special Character Review
- \* Official Blessing of Administration Block
- \* School Disco
- \* Quiz Evening
- \* Henderson School Choir

Please take the time to fill in our Strategic Planning Survey. Thinking about the future direction of our school and being involved in the development of a new strategic plan is very important.

This week our middle and senior syndicate students have been visiting the Unitec Marae. Our school choir has also begun working with other schools in our cluster for our Henderson Schools Choir Festival Performance.

**Homework Centres ....Homework groups for Term 3 2010 will commence as follows:**

Samoan Group – Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> July, 3.15pm to 5.00pm in the hall

Tongan Group – Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> July , 3.15pm to 5.00pm in Room 8.

Computer Group – Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> July 3.15pm to 5.00pm in Computer Pod

**Places for the computer club go to senior syndicate children and children who have not already attended computers first. The students will be studying Microsoft Office. If you are interested please complete the form below and return it to Mr Gu or the school office:**

My child (name) \_\_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_\_\_

Year \_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to attend the Computer club DOB \_\_\_\_\_

Parents / Caregivers to sign \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

One of my favourite Psalms was part of the readings of mass last Sunday:

*“A person who obeys God in everything and always does what is right, whose words are true and sincere, and who does not slander others.*

*He does no wrong to his friends nor spreads rumors about his neighbours.....*

*Whoever does these things will always be secure”*

*Psalms 15:2*

Have a good week, God Bless.

Kathy Moy-Low  
Principal

