



Sonrise Christian School NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents

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10 Reasons kids need to be peacemakers:

1. The world is full of conflict: strong, healthy relationships are what we all hope for, but conflict is rife in the world. With the right strategies, kids can become peacemakers, and that will set them up to make a difference in the world.
2. We generally don't know how to handle conflict: widely speaking, we all need some help with understanding and dealing with conflict, and usually we handle it badly by avoiding the situation, escaping it, or getting aggressive towards the other person.
3. Conflict causes pain: can cause kids great pain and suffering - social exclusion, anxiety, depression, lack of sleep, poor school performance, tension in friendships and family.
4. Essential skills don't always come naturally: learning healthy ways to handle challenging relationships doesn't always come naturally to many kids (or adults for that matter), so becoming a peacemaker early in life is a great way to learn these skills that will have long term positive effects.
5. Is it possible to learn healthy ways to respond to conflict? There are strategies that work. "Peace cannot be kept by force only by understanding" Martin Luther King.
6. Peacemakers build stronger friendships: with greater understanding of conflict, how to deal with it, and an understanding of the peace making strategies required, children can learn to become adults who forge stronger relationships that can face difficulties and hardships and still remain strong because it is approached the right way, with peace and love for each other at the centre.
7. We are called by the God of peace: God calls us through His wisdom in the Bible to be an example of peace and wants every child to have peace in their lives.
8. Jesus paved the path to peace for us to follow: through God's wisdom and the example of His son, Jesus Christ, we have been given pathways to peace which every child can learn.
9. Children become more confident and self-powered to make a difference: as the leaders of the future, children can become active and positive contributors to building peace and relational health into the communities in which they belong.
10. Children can learn to have greater freedom from conflict: with every new child who learns peace-making, our world becomes a better place which can only be a good thing.

We have two weeks left of this term. Next week is pretty full on! THANK YOU to all our helpers yesterday at the snorkelling practice. THANK YOU to the whanau/caregivers who will be helping this coming week at the marine reserve. If you have not done so yet, and you are available, we need all the extra hands especially on Monday and Tuesday.

E te Atua e manaaki ki a koutou katoa (God bless)

Wendy Gabriel

Principal

What's On?

Rocky Shore

Mon 1 April

Room 1&2

Te Tapuwae O

Rongokako

Room 3,4&5

Kaiti Beach

Rocky Shore

Tues 2 April

Room 3,4&5

Te Tapuwae O

Rongokako

Rippa Rugby

Thurs 4 April, 8.45am

Barry Park

Drama Performance

"Nikau & Jordis"

Wed 10 April, 6 pm

Unity Theatre

Jump Jam

Thurs 11 April, 1.45pm

End of Term 1

Fri 12 April

(Start and finish

normal time)

Muffi day

Start of Term 2

Mon 29 April

**Sonrise
Swimming
Monday 8 April
Year 1-4
9:00am – 11:00am
Year 5-10
11:30am-2:00pm**



RED	383
BLUE	376
GREEN	424
GOLD	450

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Celebrate Good Times Come On...

Room 1

Ana Batisaresare: For being brave when snorkelling.
Laykin-Zahn Whitinui-Sanders: For being brave when snorkelling.

Room 2

Benjamin White: Amazing effort in his homework.
Caleb McIntyre: Spelling award G-R-E-A-T!

Room 3

Natalia Mahani: Quiet determination and persistence to complete work at an excellent standard.

Room 4

Jacquelyn Tawera-Morris: Improving work habits and keeping a very tidy desk.
 Tana Boy Haerewa: Excellent research skills and awesome all-round maturity.

Room 5

David Gray: For using a range of thinking skills effectively.
Olivia Hughes: For improvement in Maths.



Winners of the 2019 year 5/6 summer hockey league



Excellent 2018-2019 cricket season
 Only lost 1 game in the whole season.
 In a re-match won 154 to 80

Principals Award

Amos Wanoa:

For showing excellent work habits and being a great role model to the year 5's.



DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT

KINDNESS IS CONTAGIOUS

"Be kind & compassionate to one another." Ephesians 4:32

Why not today? It could be a smile, opening the door for someone, preparing a meal - The Lord will open your eyes to where you can pass on an act of kindness. Someone will see it and in turn be kind to someone else.

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