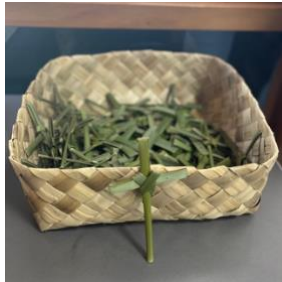




# ST ORAN'S WEEKLY

Friday 11 April

Kia ora e te whānau



And suddenly it is Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April and Term 1 is done and dusted. We have had a very special last day today and a full week as always.

I had the privilege along with colleagues and parent helpers, of seeing our Relay for Life team in action over the weekend. What a fantastic event. Our team ran 538 laps of the Relay track, and came 12<sup>th</sup> out of the 142 teams entered, placing as the second highest all girl team. With all our final fundraising now counted, we can confirm the school raised \$41,266.60 for the Cancer Society, placing us as the second highest Wellington team in terms of fundraising. The girls are rightly proud of themselves and our community efforts. It was a true team effort, but a special thank you must go to our Head Students, Seini and Preeyal, whose energy and motivation held everything together.

Our focus this week turned to Easter as we approach this important time of year. Maiah and Mercedes, along with Mrs Wards, have provided multiple opportunities across the week for students to engage and reflect on the significance of this time. Marcell Mey joined us for today's Easter Service and Mrs Wards prepared a flax cross for each student to take if they wished. Students could keep the cross for themselves or display it on our street fronting fence as a sign of Easter's approach. As I type our Special Character Council are making their way around rooms with a special treat for each of our ākonga.

This morning Whaea Rose and I met with Year 13 to acknowledge and celebrate all they have done for the kura this term, as individuals and as a team. Mr Chatterton also met with Year 7 to acknowledge all that they have achieved this term. They have stepped into life here at 550 High Street so well and we are proud of them, as I'm sure Year 7 parents are as well. At lunchtime today our Year 7s met officially with their Year 13 Peer Support team for the last time. They will start Term 2 no longer the newbies!

Thank you for your support of our special kura this term. We wish all our families a special Easter and our students a well-deserved rest. On behalf of us all, ka kite and take care – Cindy Ford.

*Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. 1 Peter 1:3*



Welcome back to our Year 13 PE class who took on kayaking the Marlborough Sounds this week!

Birthday Wishes this week to:

- Rose C
- Lexie J
- Elise N
- Mikaylah F
- Sofia Y
- Sienna S
- Lucy S
- Caoimhe D
- Melissa O
- Rachel P
- And all our Holiday birthday people!



Well done to Caoimhe and Lily-Rose who assisted with collection for the Poppy Day Appeal as members of the Air Cadets.