

Tēnā koutou katoa! Greetings! Talofa lava! Namaste! Mãlõ e lelei! Hola!

Welcome back to school under Alert Level 2!

Thank you for supporting your child's faith development during Alert Levels 4 and 3 by engaging with their Special Character and RE learning on DB Primary, family prayers and attending Zoom liturgies and Masses. A special thank you to Father Sam, for celebrating our Beginning of Term 2 School and Parish Mass, to Mrs Lee-Joe, Mr Ferd Lomibao and our Special Character student leaders: Joanna Ellimoottil, Thehan Perera, Ashton Suares, Nathaniel Lee-Joe, George Howcroft, and their whānau for their help with the Mass.

Remembering the challenges of the last several weeks, we thank God for keeping our community safe and we ask God's mercy upon us all as we begin Term 2 back at school and place our trust in God.

This term we will continue with our Share*Listen*Care- Kei ou ringaringa te ao, We are Guardians - to love and to serve' focus for the year, and our Term 2 theme is 'Kaitiaki of Place', which is based on the Science Curriculum and is integrated with the Special Character of our school.

We began our Religious Education Term 2 learning with the God strand, and we will move on to the Holy Spirit strand after Pentecost. The following are the foci for the God strand:

God Strand:

Level 1 (Years 0-2) : 'God is Creator and Our Gracious God" Level 2 (Years 3-4) : 'God is Love and God is Present in the World' Level 3 (Years 5-6) : 'Who is God? and God is Faithful'



WE ARE STEWARDS, NOT MASTERS OF OUR EARTH. EACH OF US HAS A PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY TO CARE FOR THE PRECIOUS GIFT OF CREATION.' Last week some of our students chose to take part in KAITIAKI2SHARE competition organised by Caritas -the Catholic Agency for Justice, Peace and Development. These students were: Yr 5 -Clare Jacob and Karsten Khyriem Singh, Yr 4 -Tilly Lake, Yr 3 - Jasleen Khyriem Singh, Cylah Belandres, Franka Eilering, Yr

2 - Ezra Lake, and Yr 1 - Peter Khyriem Singh. These children gave their time and effort to remind us all to care for God's creation. All of them have received a special thank you message from Caritas and we are very proud of them all! We were overjoyed when we found out that Franka is also one of the five winners of the competition; in fact, she is the youngest winner in New Zealand! Congratulations, Franka!! If you would like to see the full results of the Kaitiaki2Share competition, and see the winning entries, you can access them at https://caritas.org.nz/kaitiaki2share. The five winners have each received a share of the prize money and they will have native trees planted with their names attached. Hopefully we'll be able to go and see Franka's tree one day!

Here are our Monte entries for you to enjoy:



In Christ's Peace! Mrs Leigh