

# Jireh Christian School Newsletter



## 18 March 2020 Important Dates

Whole School Picnic At School	<i>Friday 20 March</i>
OPEN DAY 9.30am—Midday	<i>Wednesday 1 April</i>
Parent / Teacher Interviews <b>SCHOOL CLOSSES 2PM</b>	<i>Monday 6 April</i>
Mufti Day End Term One	<i>Thursday 9 April</i>



## Congratulations!

Miss Lim and Mr. Watts are engaged. Your Jireh Christian School family wish you both much love and many blessings!

## PRAYER

It is a privilege to pray for our children, our school and community. Join our faithful prayer warriors every Wednesday from 8.15am in the school library. Don't feel you have to make a commitment to attend regularly, just be there whenever you can. Your prayers are so very appreciated!



Dear Parents  
We live in troubled and uncertain times, but as people of faith in a mighty God we do not need to fear for He is with us.

Psalm 46:1 “God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.”

Our Heavenly Father is still the all-knowing, ever-present, omnipotent God. It is possible to respond to a crisis seriously and deliberately while maintaining an inner sense of calm and hope. This is not the first crisis the people of the world have had to face, and neither will it be the last. Let us stand together, strong, on our Rock, Christ Jesus. As the winds blow and the rains come down, our foundation will not be shaken.

We will continue to do all we can to keep your children and ourselves safe. To this end:

- ◇ We follow closely the updates put out by the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health. This helps keep us informed of the facts and required national response to the current status.
- ◇ We have postponed and changed some of the events planned for this term.
- ◇ We continue to impress upon the students ways to help mitigate the spread of viruses by

coughing or sneezing into the crook of their arm. To thoroughly and frequently wash hands with soap and dry them and not to touch their faces with their hands.

◇ We are preparing to offer distance learning for our students should there be a school shut down. The Prime Minister has said that this would not happen unless a confirmed or suspected case was found in a school. This would then necessitate that school closing but not necessarily all schools across New Zealand.

Below is a podcast from SchoolTV which addresses how parents can share and communicate with your children during the Covid-19 outbreak and manage fear and anxiety. It is a balanced and helpful parent guide to supporting you in this challenging time. SchoolTV has offered this advice free to all networks because of the unusual times we are in.

[https://schooltv.me/wellbeing\\_news/special-report-coronavirus](https://schooltv.me/wellbeing_news/special-report-coronavirus)

I felt that the information contained in this podcast supports the Ministry of Education approach of staying calm and informed and helps parents in their role of reassuring their children.

I would like to assure you that you and your children, together with the health of the staff and community of JCS are of the utmost importance and we will

and are doing all that we can to prevent anyone in our community contracting or spreading Covid 19. This virus is not new to the God who created the heavens and the earth. It has not caught Him by surprise and we, His children are in the palm of His hand no matter how fierce the storm around us rages. I leave you with another appropriate verse. May you be encouraged and strengthened as you lead your family in facing this global pandemic as the people of God.

John 14:27

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives, do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.”

Yours in partnership  
*Sandra Bosman*

### Kelvinside Terrace

This is a reminder to parents who are using Kelvinside Terrace entrance; please do not park in front of driveways on Arran Street and Kelvinside Terrace.

For safety reasons please do not park on the curve of Kelvinside Terrace as it makes it very difficult for cars to pass from both directions.

### Great North Road

Please do not park on the right-of-way, as this blocks 2-way traffic. It is a tow-away area.

Many thanks for your co-operation.

## Touch Rugby



Auckland Christian Schools Touch Rugby Tournament, Moire Park, 11th March



It was a great day and everyone had fun. The highlight was our Year 5/6 team came overall second in the Year 5/6 division. Well done! Thank you to all the players the parents who helped on the day.

### Young Engineers

Term 2 registrations are open. Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics learning with LEGO! See the attached flyer to find out more information.

### Suburbs Rugby Club

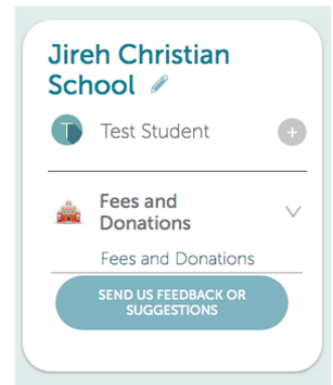
Registrations open for under 5s to under 13s, girls and boys. For more information see the attached flyer.

### Lost Property

Our Lost Property bin is rather full! Please check for any items that might belong to you.

## KINDO—our online school shop

Kindo online school shop makes it easy for families to pay school costs anywhere, anytime. It's open 24/7 and available from our school website. *It is our preferred method of payment and we encourage all families who have not yet registered, to register now.* Registration is easy – follow these steps to set up your family account today:



1. New users can [Click here](#) for our registration link.
  2. Enter in the same email address the school has on file for you and click 'continue'.
  3. A confirmation email with a link will be sent to you. Click on the link and enter a password to complete your registration. Your family account is now set up. Next time you log in you will just need to enter your email address and password.
- Already have an account? [Click here](#) to log in and make sure you have linked your students by clicking on the Fees and Donations icon. Need assistance? Call Kindo on freephone 0508 4 KINDO (0508 454 636) or email [hello@mykindo.co.nz](mailto:hello@mykindo.co.nz).

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