

College Parents and Friends

Staying in Touch

1 May 2020

Well what a start to the year! We hope your families are safe and well and managing this new regime of working and learning from home. Hopefully the kids will soon be back with their friends and teachers (and we can have a quiet moment to catch up for coffee or wine with friends!).

For all new parents and caregivers at the College this year, a very warm welcome. Whilst it's difficult to get to know new parent's at the moment, feel free to stay in touch if there is anything we can help you with. Your child's tutor and the wonderful Heads of House are the first point of contact for anything related to learning but if you are struggling with navigating your way around the OLE or just want to touch base, we would love to hear from you.

Many of the College events that our community would normally be involved in are in limbo at the moment with COVID-19 restrictions, however the P&F Committee has been keeping busy and we are very excited to update you on the following initiatives.

- Parents & Friends Business Directory
- Term 2 Events
- Food from the Heart
- Your team
- Fundraising

Stay safe and well in your bubbles.

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Parents & Friends Business Directory

Many of us are small business owners or work in companies that are working from home or under new safety plans. We want to support the parents and caregivers of the Saint Kentigern community and are compiling a Business Directory to support each other. 'Keeping it local' so to speak. If you would like to list your service or business, please send through your details or cut and paste the following table and email to margaret@safeship.co.nz.

Name of Business (or individual)	
Type of Business or service (i.e. legal advice, cleaning, freight, consulting)	
Contact Person	
Contact Phone	
Email	
Web address (if applicable)	
Logo (please keep this small)	

Term 2 Events

An update on the Parents & Friends events as below:

Monday 4th of May - information and Social Evening

Now postponed until further notice.

Tuesday 12th of May, 7.00pm - Guest Speaker: Nigel Latta

Also postponed until further notice.

Term 2 Asian Parents Meeting

This may be rescheduled until later in Term 2.

Food from the Heart

Just before lockdown began, the committee had been looking to launch a wonderful initiative called **Food from the Heart**. This has been very successful at the junior schools and with the help of Corinne Stilwell and Duncan McQueen, plans are well underway to launch this at the College.

The Food from the Heart Programme began at Saint Kentigern Girls' School in 2014. In mid-2015, a staff member (with two small children) at Saint Kentigern Boys' School lost her husband. This loss and the lengthy hospitalisation of a parent were the catalyst for launching the programme at the Boys' School. The meals are donated for a wide range of reasons such as the birth of a new baby, redundancy of a parent, long term illness, accident, or bereavement in fact any reason where a family is facing an unexpected challenge.



We will keep you posted on progress with the launch at the College but due to COVID-19 restrictions, this is likely to be Term 3.

In the meantime, there may be Saint Kentigern families beginning to experience hardship through loss of income with the closure of their business or redundancy. For many, it can be difficult to ask for help but if you, or anyone you know, could use a little support, please let us know. Details will be kept confidential. Send an email through to Trish at

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