

# **JUNE, 2025 EDITION**

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# REFLECTIONS

Sometimes there are so many things demanding your attention, it's hard to find time to be attentive to God's voice and tune into what He is saying to us throughout the day. But just like Jesus, He invites us to engage with Him and to give Him our FULL attention - even for a few minutes at a time - in response to His attentiveness towards us.

> "You know when I sit down and when I get up; You understand my thought from far away." Psalm 139:2

"The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and His ears are open unto their cry." Psalm 34:15

It may be hard to find time, but being attentive to God's voice and what He has to say makes all the difference in your homeschooling journey.

Father God knows exactly what you need to hear. His words bring gentle correction, comfort and peace. Isn't that really what we long for? Is it comforting to know that when you do take the time to pray. He hears you, as He says to Isaiah about Israel:

So take time giving God your full attention, to hear what He has to say, which you need to hear today. Encourage your children to do this too! Knowing you already have God's full attention and He hears you...because He is with you.

"And he that keeps His commandments dwells in Him, and He in him, And hereby we know that He abides in us, by the Spirit which He has given us." 1 John 3: 18-24





Homeschooling provides a unique opportunity to cultivate and teach attentiveness to God's voice and words.

By integrating Scripture into daily routines reading passages of scripture aloud, engaging in discussions about them or incorporating creative activities like journaling and drawing - children learn to take notice of God's words and reflect on the meaning behind the words. This reveals more of God's heart towards us and engages our heart towards Him.

# **CULTURAL HIGHLIGHT**

#### -New Zealand

Te Manihera (also known as Poutama) and Kereopa were early Māori Christian evangelists who became martyrs in 1847. Their story is a significant chapter in the history of Christianity in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Te Manihera and Kereopa's Mission In 1846, Te Manihera and Kereopa, both from Ngāti Ruanui in Taranaki, volunteered to spread the Christian message to Ngāti Tūwharetoa in Taupō, despite historical hostilities. Their mission was rooted in Christian principles of reconciliation and peace, aligning with the Treaty's

# Maori Evangelists



A Maori Christian church at Tauranga in the 1850s.

promise of protection and partnership. Their martyrdom in 1847, while tragic, symbolised a commitment to these ideals

REFERENCE: Southern Cross Educational Enterprises Ltd, 2014, New Zealand Social Studies Pace 1083, The Early Missionaries to New Zealand: Maori Evangelists, 4th Edition, Southern Cross Educational Enterprises Ltd.

# STAFF HIGHLIGHT - Vanessa





New Zealand Homeschool Consultant

Based in New Zealand, Vanessa brings over ten years of personal homeschooling experience to her role, having successfully educated her three children through the A.C.E. program.

Vanessa provides support to families in their homeschooling journey, by assisting with family enquiries, guiding parents through the New Zealand government registration process and offering guidance with using ACE.

Vanessa first trained as an A.C.E. program supervisor in New Zealand, as a volunteer with a number of home education support service providers assisting New Zealand homeschooling families. She brings a diverse professional background in accounting, computer design, and event organisation, which enhances her ability to support and encourage fellow home educators.

Vanessa's mission is to support and encourage other home educators like herself in helping them lead their children's education from a strong Biblical foundation. She believes that this is the greatest blessing the world can offer.

# IMPORTANT REMINDERS



## **BARTON**

Reading and Spelling System By Susan. M. Barton (All Rights Reserved)

#### WHAT IS BARTON?

Batton is an American literacy program that has been developed by Susan. M. Barton, based on the recognised Orton Gillingham approach to reading and spelling. It is a "multi-sensory, direct, explicit, structured and sequential intense intervention program that is research and evidence based" (Barton, 2023).

#### WHO IS IT FOR?

It is intended to be used with students who have been diagnosed with or are suspected to have <u>Dyslexia</u>, Please know that it is not beneficial for children diagnosed with a receptive or expressive language disorder, or children needing an ESL program.

#### **HOW DOES IT WORK?**

The system is designed for a tutor to work one-onone with a student or a small group of up to three students. The program has ten levels with each comprising of a manual, series of lesson plans, videos on DVD and a set of letter tiles. The program targets the following skills, which are essential for reading and spelling development:

- · phonemic awareness
- phonics
- decoding

The system is ideal for parents to use with their own children at home, assuming the tutoring role.

Contact us for more information -Available for AUSTRALIAN FAMILIES ONLY

# **Moderation Dates**

#### UPCOMING: Moderation 2

Other countries - 13th June

#### Moderation 3

- o NZ 4th August
- o Other countries 19th September

#### Moderation 4

- o NZ 31st October
- o Other countries 12th December

#### MODERATION FEES

Late Moderation or sending all Moderation for a course/s at once will incur a fee of \$25 AU per student. Thank you for your consideration regarding this.

#### MEMBERSHIP FEES REMINDER

Please keep an eye out for your invoice for the payment period of July to December from Xero. You might need to check your junk/spam folder.

#### ID CARDS

ID Cards can be ordered for secondary aged students. To order a card, please go to our website > Member's Only > ID Card Application page to complete the online application form.



#### \$15 per card (hard plastic)

A digital copy is available for families in Indonesia

# **Test Results Due - SOON**

Test results are due soon! See the following due dates, in order to have a semester progress report issued to you.

#### SEMESTER 1

- Sun 22nd June
- Submission of Test results
- Wed 25th June
- Progress Reports issued

#### SEMESTER 2

Sun 14th December

- Submission of Test results

#### Wed 17th December

- Progress Reports issued

# SCRIPTURE MEMORISATION

THIS Month: I John 3:18-24

#### King James Version (KJV)

18 My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.

19 And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him.

20 For if our heart condemn us. God is greater than

our heart, and knoweth all things.

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22 And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.

23 And this is his commandment, that we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment.

24 And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

#### New American Standard Bible (NASB)

18 My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.

19 And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him.

20 For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.

21 Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.

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#### NOTE ON RIRLE TRANSLATIONS

We include two translations for the Scriptures:

- King James Version (KJV): as used in all our PACEs booklets

New American Standard Bible (NASB) or similar: more readable, yet retains original meaning.

# **Memorising Tips**

Take time to learn the passage with your children over the month.

Read it, discuss what it means and how it can apply to your lives.

Try memorising two verses a week and revise at the end of the week.

Frequent repetition and reciting it throughout the day will help!

## Make it Fun!

- Try 'spot quizzes' throughout the

  day
- Put the words to music and create a song.
- Make up some actions to help remember key parts of each verse and use these when reciting out loud.
- Do a 'Round Robin' where each family member takes turns in quoting a part of a verse. The idea is to follow on seemlessly from each other... without getting stuck!

# **Get Memorising!**

We are KEEN to partner with you in encouraging your kids to memorise God's word!

Did you know they can receive a 'Scripture Award" at our end of year Celebration? To qualify, they need to have memorised at least eight passages from our monthly newsletters.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### STUDENT CONVENTION DATES FOR 2025



#### FIJI

Nadi, 30 June - 4 July, 2025

#### SOLOMON ISLANDS

Honiara, 16-18 July, 2025

#### COOK ISLANDS

 Rarotonga (awaiting confirmation of date change) August, 2025

#### NEW ZEALAND

Auckland, 1 - 5 September, 2025

#### PAPUA NEW GUINEA

(awaiting confirmation)
• Lae, 22 - 26 September, 2025

#### INDONESIA (new date & location)

Kampung Ciherang Satim, Bogor
 13 - 17 October, 2025



#### SOLOMON ISLANDS

- Honiara 14 -15 July, 2025

#### COOK ISLANDS

 Rarotonga (awaiting confirmation of date change) 2025

For information about our conference or convention dates and details, please contact events@scee.edu.au



IN-PERSON: BRISBANE AT 2:30PM SAT 31ST JANUARY, 2026

ONLINE: 1 PM (AEST TIME) SAT 17TH JANUARY, 2026

# **CULTIVATING COMMUNITY**

# CHANGES > FAMILY CHAT

This month's Family Chat will be **SPLIT** into two regions with two separate times...

TOPIC: GOAL SETTING

# Australian & Indonesian Families WEDNESDAY 18th June at IPM AFST (Brisbane) time

#### New Zealand &

South Pacific Island Families (including PNG, Fiji, Other Islands) FRIDAY 27<sup>th</sup> June at **1PM** NZST (NZ) time



# **PRAYER for FAMILIES**

Our team have been selecting a group of families that we are committing to pray for each week, as we want to support the ministry you have in educating your children.

Jesus **promises** that when two of three believers **agree** on something and pray for it, their Father in heaven will **grant** their request. (Matt 18:19-20).

We will be **asking** for extra wisdom for you, the needs of your family to be met, endurance, and **greater joy** (and more!).

# **UPCOMING: KIDS' CHAT**

We would like to TRIAL a Kids' Chat room, which runs at the **same time** as the parent's chat, using the **same link!** 

> FOR KIDS AGED 7yrs + Starting in July

#### OUR JULY TOPIC:

What animal would make a great pet and why?

- Kids will need to login using the same link as parents, on a separate device.
- We will go through the ground rules with both the parents and children at the July Family Chat before we separate.
- We will pick a theme/question to focus on each month, which each participant will have approx. 2 mins share time, depending on the number of participants we have!
- We will encourage the kids to use the reactions and chat features, to make it more interactive!

## COMMUNITY

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## INSTAGRAM PAGE





"Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing." 1 Thessalonians 5:11

# KIDS CORNER



#### Polar Bear Graham Cracker

https://thesimpleparent.com/easypolar-bear-graham-cracker-squares/



#### How to make fake snow! https://thepurposefulnest.com/how-

make-fake-snow/



#### Simon's Says Exercise

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=t7nrOBBfcYI



A mother Sea Otter will leave her pup floating on the water, sometimes wrapped in kelp to keep it from floating away, while she looks for food. Sea otters will also sometimes hold hands while they sleep, forming a raft, so they do not drift apart.





# Contact

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Let us know! Please make sure you update your details with us, so we can also update other departments.

# **NEED SUPPORT?**

Phone, email or contact us through the member portal (via website). Alternatively, email us and request a call back!

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