



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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Thursday 10th February 2011

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Parish Priest : Fr Adrie Paule
BOT Chairperson : Simon Brdanovic

Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

The Charism for this week is:

PERSEVERANCE



- Prayer... ask God for the faith to persevere
- Know where you want to go.... Set goals
- Know that hard times will come and think about ways to get around them
- Seek help early
- Don't give up... don't give up.... Don't give up



A quote from St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

'Out of all our heart's troubles,
God will bring glory.'
14th Dec 1890

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop...Pray for us

LUNCH ORDER ROSTER

Fri 11th February – Virginia Livingstone & Karen Brdanovic

TERM DIARY

Week 2	Thu 10 th Feb : Y7/8 Technology @ TAI 9am -12:30pm : Meet the Teachers from 5:30pm Fri 11 th Feb : Beginning of Year Mass @ 9:15am : Swimming TA Centre R8-11 : Jnr Team Assembly @ 2:15pm
Week 3	Mon 14 th Feb : Prayer Assembly CH : Wonder & Awe 8:55am Wed 16 th Feb : Swimming TA Centre R10-11 11am : BOT Meeting 6pm Staffroom Thu 17 th Feb : Y7/8 Technology @ TAI 9am -12:30pm Fri 18 th Feb : Mass @ 9:15am Rms11 & 6 : Swimming TA Centre R8-9 9:30am : Swimming TA Centre R10-11 11am : Snr Team Assembly @ 2:15pm Sat 19 th Feb : Academic Mass – Cathedral 10am
Week 4	PAT TESTING THIS WEEK Wed 23 rd Feb : Swimming TA Centre R10-11 11am Thu 24 th Feb : Y7/8 Technology @ TAI 9am -12:30pm Fri 25 th Feb : Mass @ 9:15am Rms10 & 5 : Swimming TA Centre R8-9 9:30am : Swimming TA Centre R10-11 11am : Jnr Team Assembly @ 2:15pm

Please check the calendar that is linked to the front of our website: www.stpatta.co.nz
This is updated as events or changes come to light.

MEET THE TEACHERS EVENING TONIGHT FROM 5:30PM

Come along and meet the teachers and also the new families in our community.

- Sausage Sizzle
- Pool open
- Games for the kids

SCHOOL MASS – TOMORROW

At 9:15am

This is our first Mass with our new parish priest

Fr Adrie Paule

ALL ARE VERY WELCOME!!

Our Vision: To provide 21st Century Catholic Education, that enables children to strive for excellence, centred on the teachings of Jesus Christ.

'Be not afraid'

TEAM 1 – JUNIOR ASSEMBLY

The first team Assembly will be **TOMORROW**, Friday 11th February (Wk 2) in the Junior School Quad area for Rms 1-6 at 2:30pm.

TEAM 2 – SENIOR ASSEMBLY

The first Senior team Assembly (Rms 7-11) will be next Friday 18th February (Wk 3) in St Pat's Hall at 2:15pm.

Assemblies will alternate Junior / Senior with a Whole School Celebration Assembly in Week 10. The whole school assemblies will focus on a celebration of the work carried out in the unit studies across the school.

Delivering/picking up children from school...

We all agree that the safety of our students is paramount. To this end, we ask that when dropping off or picking up your children from St Patrick's, you park in a responsible place and DO NOT double park or stop in front of the driveway entrances.

Junior school children please do not pull in to the driveway on Rewi Street to drop off or pick up children as the risks are great when reversing around small children. Children will wait in the Junior courtyard area.

Other students wait on the Senior veranda. Parents are expected to **park and collect** children from there.

Please do not ask your child to wait anywhere else for you as duty teachers are only supervising the two collection points and if seen will tell your child to return to the correct waiting point.

School Uniform

The children look great in their summer uniforms ! Just a reminder about hats – students should have the hat as described in the uniform requirements and we enforce a NO HAT - NO PLAY policy. The uniform policy is specific about NO dyed hair and there are specific requirements in regards to jewellery – one plain stud per ear, cultural or religious icons/emblems worn under uniform, watches may be worn. Its is also specific about – no makeup or nail polish and long hair tied back (girls & boys) using hair clips or ties of school colours only; navy, maroon, black.

Please be reminded that if your child comes to school in any non-regulation uniform (including hats and footwear) that we require a note from you explaining the reasons why.

Annual update of our database

Thank you to those people who have returned the update that came home last week. If you have not done so, please read this through, complete as needed, and return to school as soon as possible.

Congratulations to: Alice Kennedy who is this year's head girl at Sacred Heart College in Hamilton. Alice is a former student of our school where she spent her junior years. Well done Alice!

School Pool.... The pool is up and running for 2011. Pool keys are available from the office, the price is \$25.00 with a \$5.00 refund on the return of the key at the end of the season.

Swimming Programme

All classes are running the swimming programme with students from Rms 8-11 using the TA Events Centre. Please ensure that your child has their swimming gear when required and if you do not wish them to swim (because of illness) a note from you is required.

PTA NEWS

PTA Meeting.

The PTA met last Tuesday with the retiring group handing over the reigns to a new group. It is never too late to be a part of this group and to get involved with the upcoming events. Our new secretary is Maree Orr, other office holders are yet to be decided. Maree can be contacted through the office.


WATCH OUT FOR ST PATRICKS DAY GREEN THEME MUFTI DAY!!!!!! 17TH MARCH

For the kids, we will be having a "bring and buy" food items, further information on this will be sent home soon. So get your thinking caps on for costumes as there will be prizes for best dressed!!!! This will happen over lunchtime as part of the St Patrick's Day celebration.

There will be no Fair this year.


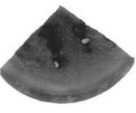


BOOST THAT FRUIT

I SEE RED!



Eat at least 3 red fruit this week.
Strawberries, raspberries, watermelon,
red apples, red plums.....and tomatoes!

Tomatoes are actually a fruit because they contain
the seed of the plant. We usually use them as a
vegetable which is why we get confused! Try tomato
on toast for breakfast!



ASB – School Banking.

The ASB is a great supporter of our school ! School banking has already started. Please see the leaflet enclosed with this newsletter.

SPORTS NEWS

Kiwi Sport Waikato...

The new Kiwi Sport programme, co-ordinated by Sport Waikato is offering a range of **free afterschool** sports to enable children to try new sports. The sports are open to all ages but are targeted more for Yr 5-8 children. This term they are offering Kiwi League (kiwi tag) which will start at a later date. Kiwi basketball starts on Tuesday 15th at 3.30 - 4.30 at the events centre. Children will need to arrive in PE gear and will be organised into teams there.

They will be offering a range of free sports throughout the year such as badminton, bike, cricket, football, golf, hockey, netball, rugby, touch, volleyball. We will keep you informed of these.

Monday night Basketball.

As usual we will be offering the Monday night Basketball which will start probably early Term 2, so the Kiwi basketball is a good chance for children to see if they enjoy it.

God bless

Brian Belczacki
Principal

ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

St Patrick's Catholic Church - Te Awamutu

Parish Priest: Fr Ardrie Paule

Office Hours: 8:30am – 12noon Tuesday - Friday

Mass Times

Tuesday 5.15pm, Wednesday – Friday 9.15am

Weekend Masses - 5.30pm Sat (vigil)

Sunday Mass – 10am

Miha Maori - Maori Mass

Kia ora koutou katoa te whanau o Hato Patariki.
Miha Maori is held in the Church Lounge on the first Sunday of each month at 11.30 a.m. Nau mai haere mai.

RECONCILIATION: TBA

COMMUNITY NEWS

Te Awamutu Junior Hardball Cricket

If you are aged 9-13 years old (years 5-8), and would like to play cricket on Saturday mornings in Term 1, please come to our last registration night – tonight - @ 5.30pm (\$30 registration fee). We meet at the Te Awamutu College cricket practice nets which are situated on the college fields in Factory Rd, next to the Wananga. If you cannot make it to registration night, or need further information, please phone Helen Daly (07) 871 3321.

For Sale:-

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3 x Size 6 short sleeved shirts

1 x Size 6 long sleeved shirts

2 x Size 6 yellow PE top

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Wednesdays : 9.45am Scout Hall, Te Awamutu

Thursdays : 7.00pm – Pirongia (Crozier St)

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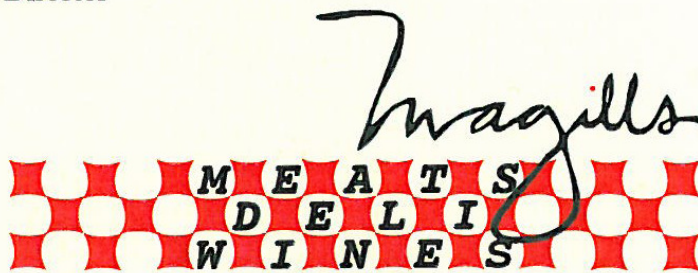
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