



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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Thursday 26th May 2011

Principal : Brian Belczacki
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Director of Religious Studies : Raewyn Jackman
Office Staff : Sue Cresswell, Dana Macdonald
Bursar : Patty Dudson
Parish Priest : Fr Adrie Paule
BOT Chairperson : Simon Brdanovic

Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

Well I am back !!!

A big thank you for cards, flowers and meals and best wishes during my rather lengthy illness and enforced stay at the 'Waikato Hospital Hilton' – what a way to spend school holidays !!!

Although not 100% fit yet, I am beginning to spend more time at school and less time asleep on the couch!

Two lessons I have learnt...

1. Listen to the doctor when he tells you to slow down!
2. I am not indispensable and have a wonderful team around me that are very able, ensuring that the operations of the school continue in my absence.

A huge thanks to Cass and Graeme, to the staff and and Board for your wonderful support . I am truly blessed!!

The Charism for this week is:

Honesty

Honesty means there are no contradictions or discrepancies in thoughts, words, or actions.

To be honest to one's real self and to the purpose of a task earns trust and inspires faith in others.

Honesty is never to misuse that which is given in trust.



A quote from St Mary of the Cross MacKillop



"God's mercies are greater than all my own unworthiness and unfitness."
27th May 1867

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

TERM DIARY

Week 4	Charism: Honesty Tues 24 th May: ICAS - Computer Skills Thur 26 th May : Technology Y7/8 @ TAI Fri 27 th May: : Mass @ 9:15am R10 & 5 Team 1 (Jnr Sch) Assembly @ 2:30pm
Week 5	Charism: Respect Wed 1 st June: HPV(2) – Yr 8 Girls @ 9am Thur 2 nd June : Technology Y7/8 @ TAI Fri 3 rd June : Team 2 (Snr Sch) Assembly @ 2:15pm
Week 6	Charism: Respect Mon 6 th June : Queen's Birthday – no school Tue 7 th June : Catholic Character Review Wed 8 th June : Catholic Character Review School Mass @ 9:15am ICAS Science Test @ 10am Thur 9 th June : Catholic Character Review Technology Y7/8 @ TAI Fri 10 th June : Bishop Denis Pastoral Visit to Parish / School – Mass @ 9:15am R11 & 7 Team 1 (Jnr Sch) Assembly @ 2:30pm
Week 7	Charism: Excellence Thur 16 th June : Technology Y7/8 @ TAI

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



Sausage Sizzle – Fundraiser for Senior Camp

These can be ordered at the Library from 8:15 am – 8:45am each Tuesday morning. The cost is \$1.50 per sausage.



We offer our deepest sympathies to the Russ family on the passing of much loved step mother (to Michelle) and grandmother to Jake, Harry and Mac.
May she rest in peace

Our Vision: 'To provide 21st century learning in a Catholic environment which empowers children to strive for excellence'.

'Be not afraid'

Special Catholic Character Review



Every three years all Catholic Schools in New Zealand are subject to an external review known as a **Special Catholic Character Review**. Our school has been scheduled to be reviewed from the 7th - 9th June. The review team comprises of Paul Shannon

Secondary Schools RE advisor, Natalie Steens Acting RE Primary Advisor, and Danny Nicholas Principal of St Patrick's Catholic School in Taupo. They will be looking at all areas including Pastoral Care, Statutory Requirements, the implementation of the new digital Religious Education Curriculum, whether values are evident and how the school celebrates liturgy and prayer.

The Catholic Character Review is a formal visit on behalf of the Proprietor (The Bishop). This review focuses on the school's chosen target for the year, assists with the school's own process of self review, highlights the successes and, if necessary, makes recommendations or requirements for future development or review.

A formal report is based on observations and information provided in documentation and on the days of the visit through interviews and classroom visits.

All sectors of the school community – parents, parishioners, students, staff - are welcome to meet with the review team while they are at the school but you are also welcome to share any views as part of a survey enclosed with this newsletter. So we welcome your comments, please have these back to the school by NEXT Wednesday 1st June 2010.

As part of the review, you are also very welcome to Mass on Wednesday 8 June @ 9.15am to celebrate our Special Character with our staff and children.

Baptism Programme 2011



Baptism: The next session will be **next Thursday 2 June, 3.15 pm - 4.15 pm** in Room 7 for the children. Please bring a pen/pencil and books in a bag.

Religious Education

The Strand for Religious Education this term is the Holy Spirit - Te Wairua Tapu. Below is a summary of what the children are learning.

Year 1: The Holy Spirit is God. We cannot see the Holy Spirit, but things about us remind us that the Holy Spirit is here to help us be as God wants us to be.

Year 2: Ways that people who believe in God can respond to the Holy Spirit.

Year 3: The Fruits of the Spirit and how the Holy Spirit can help people when they sin.

Year 4: The meaning of Pentecost and how it made the Church and the Trinity known.

Year 5: The meaning of various titles and symbols of the Holy Spirit and how the Holy Spirit gives grace, tapu and mana to God's people.

Year 6: The actions of the Holy Spirit in Baptism and how the Holy Spirit helps us to grow to be like Jesus.

Year 7: How the Holy Spirit was present in Old Testament events and guided and inspired the people; how Jesus' life and mission was empowered by the Holy Spirit and how the Acts of the Apostles shows the Holy Spirit at work in the early Church.

Year 8: How the Holy Spirit helps Jesus' followers; how Te Wairua Tapu guides, sustains and renews the Church and is at work in the world today.

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ICAS...

The 2010 ICAS (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools or formerly NSW Exams) are taking place this term.

Science	8 June
Spelling	21 June
Writing	21 June
English	2 August
Maths	16 August

Please ensure that your children have a good night's sleep and are well prepared for these tests.

Lost...

School winter shorts with label in shorts named Michael Parsons. Has anyone in Rm.6 gone home with these shorts by mistake? If so please return to the office. Thank you.

Term 2 Accounts...

The accounts have been sent home today with the eldest child in the family. Please check your child's bag. We appreciate you making every effort to pay when you are able. If you have difficulty with payment please contact Brian Belczacki. Thank you. ASB Bank account details for internet payments:

**St Patrick's Catholic School BOT,
ASB Te Awamutu,
12- 3134- 0048177- 00**

Please reference internet payments with Name.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at our Senior team assembly on Friday 20th May 2011.



CHARISM AWARDS – “Stewardship”

Kendall Payne	Lauren Higgs
Caitlyn Jowsey-Bourke	Kirsten Rawson
Brian Cho	

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Jake Dolan	Lucas van den Bosch
Mya Meadows	David Subritzky
Bayley Orr	Christine Chikuni
Sam Harder	Elisha Fraser

SPORTS NEWS

Netball...

DRAW FOR: Saturday 28 th May 2011		
St Pat's Team	Time	Verses / Court
St Pats Blue	10:40am	Ohaupo Hotshots, Ct2
St Pats Red	10:40am	TAS Tigers, Ct4
St Pats White	9:00am	Paterangi Comrades, Ct2
St Pats Silver	9:50am	Paterangi Panthers, Ct2

Future Ferns Netball...

DRAW FOR: Saturday 28 th May 2011		
St Pat's Team	Time	Verses / Court
St Pats Pink	11:30am	Aropapa, Ct8
St Pats Denim	9:00am	Korakonui Rockets, Ct7
St Pats Yellow	12:20pm	Pokuru Silver Ferns, Ct7

Basketball...

DRAW FOR: Monday 30 th May 2011		
St Pat's Team	Time	Verses / Court
St Pats Falcons	7:00pm	Yr 5/6 non comp, Ct2
St Pats Eagles	5:30pm	Ohaupo Heat, Ct2
St Pats Hawks	BYE	BYE
St Pats Panthers	7:00pm	TAI Ngaroto Lakers, Ct1

PTA NEWS

SATURDAY NIGHT...

St Pat's Fillies Night... THIS SATURDAY

You can reserve a table by paying \$30 to the office which includes a gourmet platter.....it is free entry! Once again please support this school fundraiser!

Transportation Available...

Go Easy Shuttles are available for any one to use for pick up to our event and dropping home (at a fee). See their details below.

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LUNCH ORDER ROSTER

Friday 27th May – Viv and Richard Orange
Friday 3rd June – Karen Brdanovic & Teresa Martin

God Bless

Brian Belczacki
Principal

COMMUNITY NEWS

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ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

St Patrick's Catholic Church - Te Awamutu

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PO Box 191, Te Awamutu
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Parish Priest: Fr Adrian P Paule
Office Hours: 8am – 12noon Tuesday - Friday

Mass Times
Tuesday 5.15pm, Wednesday – Friday 9.15am

Holy Hour: after 9:15am Mass each Friday

Weekend Masses - 5.30pm Sat (vigil)
Sunday Mass – 10am
Miha Maori Mass – 11:30am
(first Sunday of each month)

Cenacle of Prayer : Monday 9:15am – 10am

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays - 9am to 9:45am



26/5/2011

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CATHOLIC CHARACTER REVIEW

Community Survey

ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL

P.O. BOX 300

TE AWAMUTU

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1. What value do you put on Religious Education within the life of the school?
2. How does your school support its teachers, students and families in times of need? e.g. bereavement, illness, family stress. Is there anything the school could do differently to enhance this?
3. How does your school enhance the life of its Catholic Community? Is there anything the school could do differently to further develop this?

Greg Day – Catholic Character Review Coordinator
Karen O'Reilly – Primary RE Adviser

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4. How could the school and parish improve the knowledge and understanding of Catholic religious celebrations for the students and their parents? Is there anything the school could do differently to enhance this?

5. Any other comments you would like to make?

We would be grateful if you would complete all or any of these questions as you may wish. This assists us in our review writing and helps us get more of an understanding of your school community.

Please return this completed questionnaire to the school office or it may be posted to the address above by the end of the week following this review. *→ by Wednesday 1/6/2011*

Thank you
Greg Day
Catholic Character Review Coordinator
Catholic Diocese of Hamilton

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Karen O'Reilly – Primary RE Adviser*

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