



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

The Charism for this week is:

Caring



Over the week we have marked a couple of anniversaries – that of the first major Earthquake in Christchurch and the 10th anniversary of the destruction of the Twin Towers in New York. Both of these events make us think about where we were when we first heard of the event happening and how we watch the events unfolding.

In this week where we focus on Social Justice, we are reminded that we are required as Christians, to take **ACTION** and to **SPEAK OUT** against injustice but that we should also remember that **PEOPLE** are made in the image and likeness of God and so any action must be tempered with **CARING** for the individual.

As the words to one of the songs sung at the lovely community Mass last Sunday say :

**Care for all of God's creation,
Care for every living thing,
Care for the treasure we've been given,
Care for life!**



Friday Lunch Roster

9th Sept – Nicky Timmo & Tina Blackwell
16th Sept – Robyn Duncan & Stephanie Rush

TERM DIARY

Week 7	Charism : Caring SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK Fri 16 th Sep : Mass @ 9:15am Rms 11 & 5 : Team 2 (Snr Sch) Assembly @ 2:15pm Sat 17 th Sep : 1 st Reconciliation (opt 1) @ 11:30am
Week 8	Charism : Caring Tue 20 th Sep : Hockey Tourn (Hamilton) Y6-8 : 1 st Reconciliation (opt 2) @ 1:30pm, Wed 21 st Sep : Hockey Tourn (Hamilton) Y2-6 : 1 st Reconciliation (opt 3) @ 1:30pm : BOT Meeting 6pm staffroom Thur 22 nd Sep : PTA Fundraising – Calendar Art home Fri 23 rd Sep : Team 1 (Jnr Sch) Assembly @ 2:30pm
Week 9	Charism : Impartiality BOOK FAIR WEEK Weds 28 th Sep : HPV (final) Y8 Girls Thur 29 th Sep : Grandparent's Day Fri 30 th Sep : St Pat's Agricultural Day (Calf Club) : Team 2 (Snr Sch) Assembly @ 2:15pm
Week 10	Charism : Impartiality Mon – Fri 3 rd - 7 th Oct : EOTC Camp Yr 7/8 to Wgton Mon 3 rd Oct : Y7/8 Camp Wgton Dep 6am Fri 7 th Oct : Last Day of Term 3 : Whole School Assembly 2pm School Hall : Y7/8 Camp return from Wgton approx 4pm
T4 Wk 1	Mon 24 th Oct – LABOUR DAY School Closed Tue 25 th Oct - First Day of Term 4

SPECIAL CATHOLIC CHARACTER



A quote from St Mary of the Cross Mackillop

"I cannot forget that there is a dear good God watching over us..."

3rd April 1871

St Mary of the Cross Mackillop...

.....Pray for us

GO THE ALL BLACKS!



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SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK



On a level playing field....

A big thank you to those parents and children who celebrated Mass with us on Sunday!!

As you prepare for Sunday's Readings....

SUNDAY 18th September 2011

Year A: Matthew 20:1-16 - The generosity of God - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

NZ has a long history of recognising the rights of workers and over many decades through legislation and trade unions with workers having been provided protection from exploitation and fair wages, we are in fact the envy of many countries. Reading today's gospel from a NZ perspective there does seem to be a problem with justice when we look at how the workers were treated.

If we were among those hired at dawn for a day's work we could very easily be jealous of those who worked for one hour and received the same wage but the problem with many of the parables that Jesus uses to teach us, is that we apply our human reasoning or only one lens and in this case, we used justice. We can get into difficulty if we only apply one lens because our human reasoning fails when we try to analyse God.

We can be very quick to judge those who do not have employment and today's gospel reminds us that it could very easily be us standing in that market place waiting for the opportunity to participate.



First Reconciliation...

46 children have been preparing for this Sacrament which they will receive over the next few days. Please pray for them at this special time.

Kete Korero ... Coming home today.

Reminder – summer uniform

Term 4 marks the beginning of summer uniform **and hats**. Now is the time to start getting the summer uniform organized. As the terms are running late this year, I am quite happy if children want to start wearing hats on some of our more sunnier days...



**2011 BOOK FAIR IS COMING –
Week 9 : Monday 26th to Friday 30th
September**

Religious Education

The Focus for Religious Education in the second half of this term is **Church: Community of Disciples – Te Whanau a te Karaiti Strand Years 5-8**
Below is a summary of what the children are learning.

† Year 5: The Church Celebrates

How and why worship is so important in the Church; How the Church celebrates the Liturgical Seasons; The importance of celebrating the Eucharist and worshipping God every Sunday; That Jesus draws people into God's saving love through the celebration of the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

† Year 6: The Church as a Pilgrim People

How the Good News of Jesus was spread through the early Christian communities; Using our gifts to spread the Good News of Jesus and how single people and religious brothers and sisters do this today; The support we can draw on in the journey of our life – Te Wa.

† Year 7: The Teaching Church

What Jesus and the apostles were like as teachers, how Jesus' teaching was continued in the Early Church and its affect on others; How the Pope and the Bishops teach in the Church today and who they are, with emphasis on the Bishops of NZ and the Diocese of Hamilton; How various people carry out the teaching ministry of the Catholic Church in NZ.

† Year 8: The Living Church

A variety of images of the Church and what they mean; How the community of disciples, the Church, makes Christ visible today; What it means to say the Church is one, holy/tapu, catholic and apostolic.

YEAR 7 & 8 CAMP FUNDRAISER

KITTY KIBBLE. Last day for order is **tomorrow**, Friday 16th September 2011.



this information on their windows !

Come and have a look around the school as each class / staff member have adopted a country and have

***Grandparent's Day – is coming!
Thursday 29th September.***

Vinnies at St John's College



Caritas
aotearoa new zealand

Our Vinnies group joined Vinnies from other Catholic School for a development day at St

John's College yesterday. The presenter was Catherine Gibbs who is the National Director for CARITAS. Our staff also attended a combined teachers afternoon with Catherine yesterday from 4 till 5pm. ***A huge thanks to those parents who accompanied our Vinnies yesterday.***

Student Accounts... These are coming home today.



Support your School and help us buy new sports equipment!

Buying fertiliser this month?

Log in to the www.RD1.com nominate your primary school, & they will donate \$2.00 for every tonne of fertiliser ordered and uplifted. For further info, contact the school office.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at our Junior team assembly on Friday 9th September 2011.



CHARISM AWARDS – “Stewardship”

Addison Mark	Hannah Parsons
Rachel Gleeson	Paige Hughes
Izaac Growe-Lolesi	Sinead Cooper

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Sophie Chapman	Emily Baldock
Max Johnson	Jake Fergusson
Mac Russ	Samuel McKay
Louise Rawson	Courtney Burgoyne-Thomas
Sean Mohring	Liam Karl
Savannah Freeman	Jack Sicklemore

HOUSE POINTS As at the end of T3 Wk 4

Kakepuku	Maungatautari	Pirongia	Te Kawa
5080	5665	6149	5370
4 th	2 nd	1 st	3 rd

Assembly tomorrow Friday 16th September Team 2 (Snr School) @ 2:15pm in the School Hall

SPORTS NEWS

TA Interschool Cross Country - Kihikihi

Last Friday our 8 - 11 year old athletes, 54 of us, travelled to Kihikihi Domain to compete at the TA Interschool X Country. Our athletes gave their all and ran with passion and pride. We came away with three first places : **Anika Bayley** – 8 yrs girls **Harry Russ** – 8 yrs boys & **Flynn Russ** – 9 yrs boys. Our other top four places were: – **Eloise Livingstone** 3rd – 11 yrs girls **Wairehu Hophepa Te Huia** 3rd – 11 yrs boys, **Jake Russ** 4th – 11 yrs boys. Congratulations to all runners who competed.

Waikato Full Primary Schools Cross Country

St Patrick's sent a Year 7 and 8 elite running squad to the WFPS X Country at Porritt Stadium in Hamilton yesterday. We competed against other full primary schools top runners from as far as Taupo. The X Country track held many challenges in the rain and mud. Many of our athletes competed both as individuals and

within a team (first 4 runners home combined places). All runners enjoyed the experience and the mud. Congratulations particularly to **Madelaine Livingstone** for placing 4th in the Year 8 girls division.

PTA NEWS

The following fundraising opportunities are coming up – mark you calendars !!!

Term 3 - Calendars

Abacus Calendars

Keep an eye out for your child's artwork coming home with the newsletter NEXT **Thursday 22nd September**. Orders will need to be returned before the end of Term 3.

Term 4 –Triathlon

Planning is underway with this. Scheduled for **Saturday 19th November**.

Term 4 – Disco

Friday 25th November – School Hall

God Bless

Brian Belczacki
Principal

COMMUNITY NEWS

Tennis Coaching...

Tennis coaching and development available at school or after school at the Te Awamutu Tennis club.

All enquiries contact Quentin Ph 871 5988, mobile. 027 242 8468 or email: qwallace@xtra.co.nz



ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

St Patrick's Catholic Church - Te Awamutu

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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

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

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays - 9am to 9:45am



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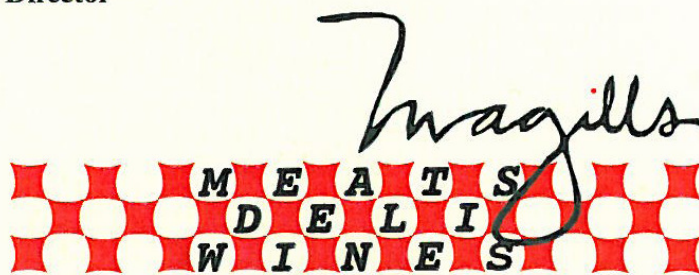
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