



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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Thursday 27th October 2011

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Bursar: Patty Dudson
Parish Priest: Fr Adrie Paule
BOT Chairperson: Simon Brdanovic

Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

The Charism for this week is:

KINDNESS

Wow what an exciting Rugby World Cup finishing in that nail biting final !

Being with the winning team, makes it easy for us to act kindly towards the losers and to 'forget' all of the unkindness shown to some players of opposing teams, in the name of sport.

Would we have been so kind and gracious if the game had not gone our way? Well we'll never know.

It was a great Rugby World Cup and us New Zealanders were great hosts. We have really shown the world that kindness does exist in our little corner of the World.

May it always be a part of our family life also...

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL !!!



Reminder – summer uniform

Term 4 marks the beginning of summer uniform **and hats**. Our policy is NO HAT - NO PLAY

BON VOYAGE FR ADRIE !

Our Parish Priest Fr Adrie has left for 6 weeks holiday back to the Philippines. We wish him happy and safe travels and a fun filled time with his family.

Fr Alex will be celebrating Masses in Fr Adrie's absence.
Enquiries can be made to Julia in the Parish office.

Friday Lunch Roster

28th October – Gill Higgs



TERM DIARY

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| Wk 1 | Charism : Kindness |
| Wk 2 | Charism : Kindness Tue 1 st Nov : All Saints Day – Mass @ 9:15am Wed 2 nd Nov : Feast of All Souls – Mass @ 9:15am, R5-11 Thu 3 rd Nov : Choir singing @ Baptist Church 10-11am Fri 4 th Nov – Pet day / Blessing @ 1:45pm - CANCELLED |
| Wk 3 | Charism : Hope Mon 7 th Nov : School Photos – Family & individuals Tue 8 th Nov : PTA Meeting 6:30pm Staffroom Fri 11 th Nov : Touch Tourn (Y5-8) @ Kihikihi : St Johns Y9 Orientation Day @ 8.45am |
| Wk 4 | Charism: Hope Wed 16 th Nov : BOT Meeting @ 6pm Staffroom Thu 17 th Nov : Athletics Day – TA Stadium @ 9am |

SPECIAL CATHOLIC CHARACTER

A quote from St Mary of the Cross Mackillop



"Do not say in heat what you may bitterly regret later."

17th December 1883

St Mary of the Cross Mackillop...

.....Pray for us

Welcome to...

Grea (Rm8) and Jayden (Rm10)
Wells-Dally, Sebastian Lee (Rm4) and Zarian Growe-Lolesi (Rm2). We hope you all enjoy your learning journey here at St Pats.

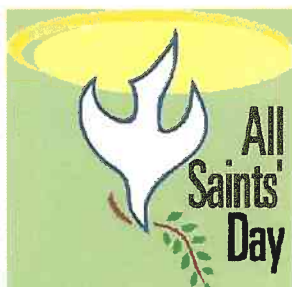


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'Empowered today for tomorrow's world'

ALL SAINTS DAY MASS 9:15am Tuesday 1st November

Everyone is Welcome



NOVEMBER is a month dedicated to remember our faithful departed loved ones. The whole month we will offer our masses for them. **ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD. MAY THEY REST IN YOUR PEACE. AMEN**

1st November - ALL SAINTS' DAY

A whole school Mass celebrating the lives of all holy men and women of God at 9:15am.

2nd November - ALL SOULS' DAY

A Mass in honour of all our faithful departed loved ones at 9:15am. Rms 5-11 will attend.

4th November – Pet Day/Blessing

This has been **cancelled** due to Fr Adrie being away.

You are invited to...

THE LIGHT PARTY!

Monday 31st October
4:30 - 8:00pm, Selwyn Park, Te Awamutu

It's all free!!!!
See brochure enclosed!



Classes 2012

Yes already!!

As we begin the process of making up classes for 2012, we are aware that from next year, there is increasing pressure on our roll. This particularly applies to the Senior classes (Y6-8) and our new entrant area. Please assist us by making contact with the office :

1. In writing, if your child **will not** be returning to St Pat's next year.
2. if your child is enrolled to start at any stage next year and you have not already begun the enrolment process.

Specific requests for class placements.

We are currently confirming teachers and where teachers will be placed for next year.

Any specific requests for class placement can be made in writing to Brian or by email principal@stpatta.co.nz by Friday, 4th November.

Yr 7 & 8 – Wellington Camp...

Parent Feedback...

We received a phone call from a parent who was very grateful and wishes to acknowledge the teachers, Graeme Norman, Michelle Russ and Amy Knight, all the parent helpers and all who helped organize the camp.

Their child came back absolutely glowing with many happy memories.

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

SUNDAY 30th October 2011

Year A: Matthew 23:1-12

**They do not practice what they preach
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

This chapter concludes what has been, a sustained attack on the leadership of the Scribes and Pharisees.

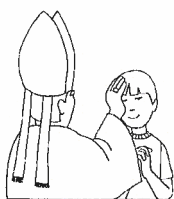
For these last few weeks of Ordinary Time we will hear Jesus speaking to his disciples preparing them for what lies ahead. Jesus does not couch his last attack on the Jewish leaders in diplomatic language; he calls them hypocrites and warns the people about their behaviour. Jesus is addressing the people and his disciples but Matthew's audience is his own community who are greatly influenced by Jewish leadership. Jesus acknowledges that the Jewish leaders have great enthusiasm for the teachings of Moses and the Hebrew Scriptures and Jesus encourages the people to accept those teachings but warns them not to follow the way the Jewish leaders live out these teachings.

The words of Jesus remain a challenge for us because religious hypocrisy remains a problem today. We are called "practising Catholics" for a good reason, we are practising, so as to understand, the teachings of Jesus, it means that we have not got it quite right yet. It is worth reflecting on whether we draw attention to ourselves by numerous genuflections or throwing ourselves on our knees so as to appear overly pious, or drawing attention to any of our good deeds.

Jesus consistently asks for "servant leadership" where so much of what we do is done quietly and any adulation is directed towards God or the community. There are any number of people who are quietly and peacefully transforming those around them and they contrast those who criticise Readers, Extraordinary Ministers or anyone who does not do things the way they have decided they should be done. Our question remains - are we transformed into children of the light through our religious experience or are we insisting on more and more burdens, tests and genuflections to "prove" that others are worthy.

HOUSE POINTS for Term 3

| Kakepuku | Maungatautari | Pirongia | Te Kawa |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 20,394 | 19,267 | 21,135 | 19,270 |
| 2 nd | 4 th | 1 st | 3 rd |



Confirmation and First Eucharist 2011



The Confirmation and First Eucharist programme will be held at St Patrick's Catholic School in Term 4. All children who have received the sacraments of Baptism and Reconciliation are invited to be part of this programme. You do not have to go to our school. The Sacraments will be celebrated on **Wednesday 23 November at 6pm** by Bishop Denis Browne.

If you are interested, please fill in an Enrolment Form from the Church foyer or the School office and return by **TOMORROW**. Alternatively I can email you a form <jackman@stpatta.co.nz>

God bless,
Raewyn Jackman, Director of Religious Studies.

Group Day – Korakonui School...



Congratulations to Kayla Broughton, Hayley Duncan and Caitlin Jowsey-Bourke who competed in the Shield Challenge and won. Great work!!!

PTA NEWS

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

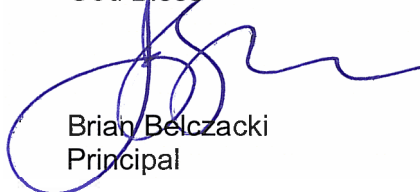
Term 4 – Triathlon

This has been DEFERRED until early in 2012

Term 4 – Disco

Friday 25th November – School Hall

God Bless


Brian Belczacki
Principal

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at our Whole School assembly on Friday 7th October 2011.



CHARISM AWARDS – “Impartiality”

| | |
|---------------|--------------------|
| Gwen Bos | Mackenzie Montague |
| Alex Timmo | Maddy Hamlyn |
| Sean Mohring | Tyla-Rose Sicely |
| Pheonix Smith | Mac Livingstone |
| Chloe Veale | |

St Pat's Agricultural Day...

Well done to students, parents, judges and helpers who were involved in the Agricultural Day last term. A big thank you to Michelle Russ and also to Robyn Duncan for their hard work in organising our day.

Congratulations to the following who received trophies at our Agricultural Day:

| Cup | Recipient |
|---|--------------------|
| Fynreath Intermediate Child Effort Calf Cup | Portia Turner |
| Kevin Wilson Best Child Effort Pet Lamb Cup | Millie Livingstone |
| James Champion Lamb Cup | Emma Field |
| McClennan Junior Calf Champion Cup | Samantha Rush |
| Ryan Challenge Champion Calf Cup | Hayley Duncan |
| Champion Calf Leading Cup | Portia Turner |
| Champion Calf Rearing Cup | Portia Turner |

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 – 11:30am to 12noon



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