



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

CHARISM:

EXCELLENCE

The NZ Curriculum has Excellence as one of the key values, and we are charged to encourage our students to value excellence 'by aiming high and by persevering in the face of difficulties,' (page 10). So, when we talk about Excellence, just whose excellence are we talking about?

And how do we measure this Excellence?

Jesus chose 12 men to be his Apostles – not 12 excellent men – Jesus only wanted them to do their best; to spread the good news.

Jesus requires exactly the same from us – to do our best – and therefore to become 'excellent' in God's sight.



A quote from St Mary of the Cross Mackillop

'When a duty is clear to me it must be done at any cost.'
25th July 1899

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



TERM DIARY

Week 7	Fri 8 th Jun : School Mass @ 11:15am (R8,9) Snr School Assembly @ 2:15pm – Hall
Week 8	Mon 11 th Jun : CH – Excellence Prayer Assembly @ 8:55am Wed 13 th Jun : BOT Meeting 6pm Staffroom Fri 15 th Jun : School Mass @ 11:15am (R10,11) Jnr School Assembly @ 2:30pm Jnr Quad
Week 9	Mon 18 th Jun : CH – Creativity Prayer Assembly @ 8:55am ERO REVIEW WEEK St John's visit @ 11am for Y8 boys Tues 19 th Jun : ICAS Spelling @ 10am Fri 22 nd Jun : No Class Mass & No Assembly
Week 10	Mon 25 th Jun : CH : Creativity Prayer Assembly @ 8:55am Tue 26 th Jun : School Production – Dress Rehearsal Wed 27 th Jun : School Production – Matinee School Production – Evening show (1) Thu 28 th Jun : School Production – Evening show (2) Fri 29 th Jun : Last Day of Term Liturgy / Assembly @ 2:15pm
Week 1	TERM 3 Mon 16 th July : School opens for Term 3

Please check the online version of the school calendar by following the link :

http://www.stpatta.co.nz/1351/embedded_items/1-school-calendar as this is updated as events or changes come to light.



School Lunch Roster

Fri 8th June : Nicky Timmo & Tina Blackwell
Fri 15th June : Paula Wilson & Sheree Field

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

'Empowered today for tomorrow's world'.



Ed Alive...

Brochure enclosed with this newsletter. Orders close on Friday 15th June 2012.

Olympic Games 2012



Danyon Loader

Danyon Loader is a New Zealand Olympic swimmer. Danyon has always remembered how much he loved water from an early age. He felt confident in it and loved it so much he sometimes had four baths a day!

At the age of ten, Danyon joined a swim club coached by Duncan Laing. Danyon didn't just like swimming – he liked a variety of other sports including soccer and cricket, so he sometimes missed training sessions in swimming. This is why it wasn't surprising when he got beaten in the interclub swim meetings. He attended Mr Laing's summer swim school at the age of twelve. The going was tough, but all of it didn't bother Danyon – he enjoyed and became committed to swimming.

From then on, Danyon achieved lots of wins in his age group competitions. Danyon's times were good enough for him to be selected for the 1990 Commonwealth Games in Auckland. At fourteen, Danyon swam the 400m and 1500m in the Commonwealth Games. His first overseas competition was in 1991 in the Pan-Pacific Championships in Canada. Although he didn't place, it was an amazing experience.

In 1992, Danyon was selected for the Barcelona Olympic Games. He swam incredibly well in the heats and achieved a place in the 200m butterfly final. At the final turn in the race, Danyon missed touching the wall. He paused to retouch the wall correctly but was angry with himself for messing up so this anger helped him surge through the water brilliantly. He won a silver medal that day. He then became New Zealand's youngest Olympic medallist.

Mr Laing and Danyon practised a four-year build-up to the next Olympic Games. During this build-up, his results at important swim meetings were very impressive. After four years, he was selected to compete in his second Olympic Games. Amazingly, he won a gold medal when he took the lead for the 75m. No-one competing for New Zealand had ever done this before.

Danyon's sixth race in the ten following days was the 400m freestyle final. Sprinting as never before, Danyon touched the end of the pool. He had won his second gold medal!

Danyon was ecstatic. On his dad's birthday, too! His astounding wins proved that Danyon was a normal boy who had achieved extraordinary things.

Jacob Syder

Uniform Shop – NOTE the change of time:

Wednesdays from 2:30 – 3 p.m.

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ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at our Senior team assembly on Friday 1st June 2012.



CHARISM AWARDS – "Respect"

Sean Lurman	Emma Buckley
Emma Field	Rachel Gleeson
Katelyn Holmes	

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Emma Lindsay	Emily Baldock
Logan Christiansen	Raquan Smith
Addison Mark	Hannah Parsons
Jordyn Smith	Daryl Reyes
Olivia Haynes	Harry Southcombe

Class Sizes.....

You will have seen in the news this week that in an unprecedented move all groups from the education sector are united in their concern for our children's education in regards to the changes to the student teacher ration announced in the recent budget. It seems to make no sense to most thinking people that student achievement can be enhanced by **raising** class sizes when research indicates that teacher student interaction – giving timely feedback and feed forward - is the most effective way to enhance achievement, is actually more effective when teachers have **less** students in classes – to me, it seems common sense.....

From the Bursar....

Student accounts came home last week. If you have any queries please email : patty@stpatta.co.nz.

Senior School Assembly

tomorrow @ 2:15pm, Hall

Pastoral Care Help.....

Thank you to the 6 people who have made meals for the freezer. If there is anyone who would like to help us in making meals please contact either Cass or the office. We have ice-cream containers for you to store them in.

URGENT !!!

HELP NEEDED FOR THE PRODUCTION...

Helpers to sew some simple skirts for production costumes and if we can borrow two tea trolleys for the Production.

Wanted...

Does anyone have a tartan skirt or material that they are prepared to donate to Room 11. If so, please drop to Room 11 or the office

also

Does anyone have any boys' white, long sleeved shirts and berets that Mrs Jackman in Room 7 could borrow for the production.

Sacramental Programmes – Baptism...

We are looking at running a Baptismal Programme next Term which will culminate in children being Baptized towards the end of Term 3. The programme will run on a Thursday afternoon (from 3:15-4:15pm) at school. Parents will need to attend two of the four sessions. This programme is intended for children at school (not pre-schoolers). If you are interested in your child joining this programme, please contact the office and an application form will be sent home to you before the end of term.



SPORTS NEWS

Netball...

DRAW FOR: Saturday 9th June 2012		
St Pat's Team	Time	Verses / Court
St Pats Pink	1:10pm	Pirongia Strikers ER,
St Pats Yellow	11:30am	Korakonui Divas
St Pats Blue	10:40am	TAS Toffee Pops
St Pats Red	10:40am	TAS Tigers
St Pats White	12:20pm	K Town Cicadas

Future Ferns Netball...

DRAW FOR: Saturday 9th June 2012		
St Pat's Team	Time	Verses / Court
St Pats Denim	12:20pm	Pokuru Diamonds
St Pats Purple	9:00am	Pekerau Keas
St Pats Silver	10:40am	Puahue Girl Power

Basketball...

Basketball teams are now made up and the first game is on Monday the 11th of June. We need referees for basketball so if anyone is able to help us out (so our coaches are free to coach) please leave your name and number with the office or email maree@stpatta.co.nz.

PTA NEWS

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School Disco...Friday 18th May

Great night was had by all...
Thanks for your support

Hot Dog Day – last Friday !!

Thanks to all those people who supported our lunch last Friday !!



Pies & Pizzas

Thank you to those who purchased pies and pizzas. We made \$450.00 in total.

Future Events ... mark your diaries!!!

- Quiz Night/New Uniform Parade – Friday 27th July 2012.

God bless


Brian Belczacki
Principal

ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

St Patrick's Catholic Church - Te Awamutu



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Parish Priest: Fr Adrie P Paule

Office Hours: 8am – 12noon Tuesday - Friday
Mass Times Tuesday 5.15pm, Wednesday – Friday 9.15am

School Mass : Friday 1st June – NO 11:15am Mass
Friday 8th June – 11:15am Rm 8 & 9

Holy Hour: after 9:15am Mass each Friday

Weekend Masses - 5.30pm Sat (vigil)
Sunday Mass – 10am

SUNDAY READINGS :

Sun 10th June : CORPUS CHRISTI

Gospel – Mk 14:12-16

This is my Body... This is my Blood....



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

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays – 11:30am to 12noon

COMMUNITY NEWS

Guitar Lessons Available

Brochure went home in last week's newsletter,
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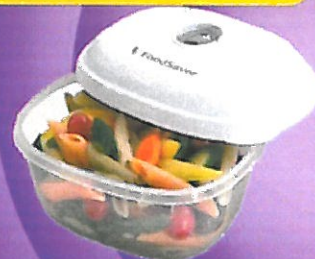
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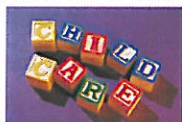
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