

St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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Thursday 18th October
2012

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Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL !!!

The Charism for this week is :

Creativity

Coming back to school it's so wonderful to see the tree outside the office in full blossom! A great reminder of the creative power of God!

As we move into our final term we are really looking forward to seeing the creative efforts of our children in their last term of learning.



Reminder – summer uniform

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

A quote from St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

'Have courage and pray earnestly.'
15th November 1883
St Mary of the Cross
MacKillop...Pray for us



TERM DIARY

Week 1	Fri 19 th Oct : Photolife – School class/sports photos.
Week 2	Mon 22 nd Oct – LABOUR DAY Tue 23 rd Oct : CH : Creativity Prayer Assembly 8:55am – Church Wed 24 th Oct : Agricultural – Group Day Thu 25 th Oct : Technology (Y7/8) @ TAI Fri 26 th Oct : 1:45pm Pet Blessing Team 1 (Jnr Sch) Assembly 2:30pm
Week 3	Mon 29 th Oct : CH : Respect Prayer Assembly 8:55am – Church King Country Cath School Sports Exchange Y7/8 Thu 1 st Nov ALL SAINTS DAY – Mass @9:15am Technology (Y7/8) @ TAI Fri 2 nd Nov : ALL SOULS DAY – Mass (Snrs) @ 9:15am Team 2 Assembly (Snr Sch) @ 2:15pm
Week 4	MARAE WEEK Mon 5 th Nov : CH : Respect Prayer Assembly 8:55am – Church R10/11 Depart to Marae – powhiri All day and overnight Tue 6 th Nov : R10/11 All day activities at Marae & overnight PTA Meeting 6:30pm staffroom Wed 7 th Nov : R8/9 Depart for Marae – powhiri, all day & overnight . R10/11 return to school 10:30am BOT Meeting 6pm Staffroom Thu 8 th Nov : R5-7 Depart for Marae – powhiri, all day & overnight. R8/9 return to school 10:30am Technology (Y7/8) @ TAI Fri 9 th Nov : R1-4 Depart for Marae – powhiri, R5-7 return to School 10:30am . R1-4 return to school 2:30pm

Please check the online version of the school calendar by following the link http://www.stpatta.co.nz/1/embedded_items/1-school-calendar as this is updated as events or changes come to light

Welcome to...

Jake Gunn (Rm1) and Marara Stirling-Smith(Rm.11). We hope you all enjoy your learning journey here at St Pats.



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'.

Religious Education

Friday 26th October

Pet Blessing.

All domestic pets welcome (not calves, lambs, goats as they have had their day!). Pets to come to school from 1pm - meet on the netball courts. Blessing immediately after lunch 1:20pm. Pets can go home after the blessing.



You are invited to...

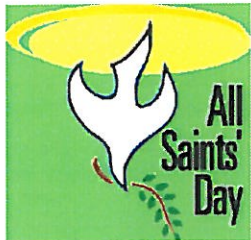
THE LIGHT PARTY!

Wednesday 31st October

4:30 - 8:00pm, Selwyn Park, Te Awamutu

It's all free!!!!

See brochure enclosed!



ALL SAINTS DAY
MASS
9:15am
Thursday
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**



Friday 2nd November - **ALL SOULS' DAY**

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

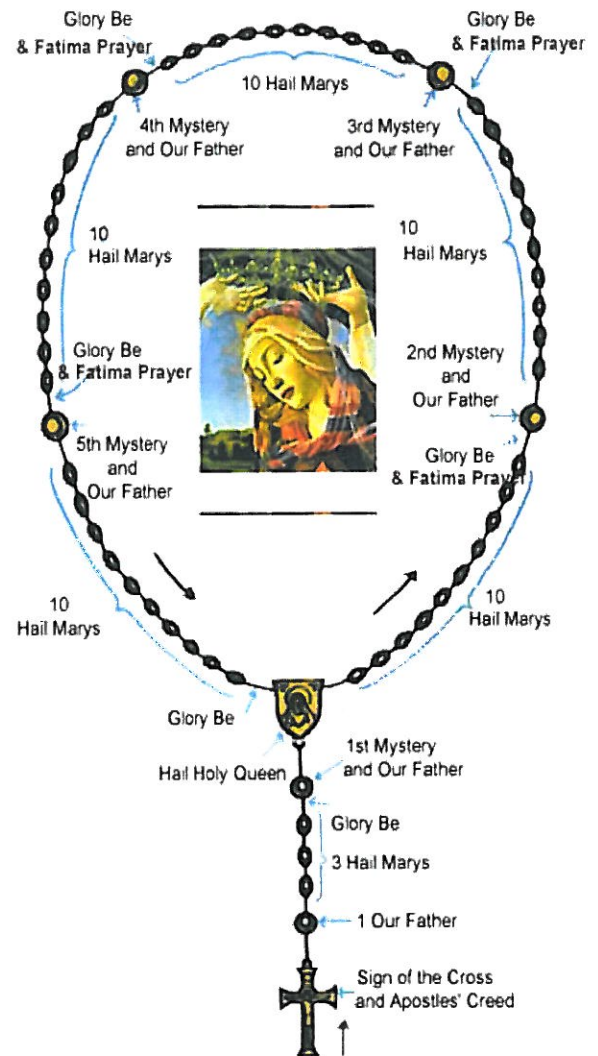
Advanced notice – next community Mass

Feast of Christ the King.

Sunday 25th
November at
10am.



October – Month of the Rosary....



Week 1 : Learn about the Joyful Mysteries

The **Joyful Mysteries** begin with the angel Gabriel saying to Mary that she is going to be the mother of Jesus. Mary then visits her cousin Elizabeth to tell her how happy she is that she is going to have a baby. That's the **Second Joyful Mystery**.

The birth of Jesus in Bethlehem -- everybody knows that story -- is the **Third Joyful Mystery**.

The **Fourth Joyful Mystery** tells us that Mary and Joseph brought their little baby to the Temple, to offer him to God.

The **Fifth Joyful Mystery** is about something that happened to Jesus when he was a little boy. He got lost on a trip he took with his parents to Jerusalem. But they found him and were happy to bring him home.

In these joyful stories, God tells us to be glad for all the good things we have in life. How good God is to let us be born! We thank God for the love our parents give us. Besides them, what about our cousins, our uncles and aunts, our grandparents and all the friends we have? Just as Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the temple, our parents brought us to church so that we could be baptized and know about God. Even the story of Jesus getting lost and found sometimes happens to us. Haven't you been lost, and they found you? The Joyful Mysteries remind us to be glad.

Pray the Joyful mysteries....

Reconciliation Programme



Planning is now underway for this programme to begin on **Sunday 28th October**, to run for 4 consecutive Sundays after 10am Mass. A letter was circulated last term to interested students who need to be baptized, and be at least 8 years old on the 1st July

2012. If you wish to register for this programme, please return the slip with the letter, or if you did not receive a letter, please contact the school office ASAP.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE ON FRIDAY 26th OCTOBER.

Classes 2013

Yes already!!

As we begin the process of making up classes for 2013, 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 :

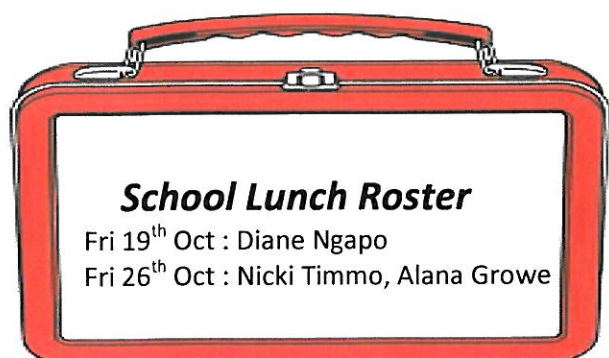
1. In writing, if your child **will not** be returning to St Pat's next year.
2. If your child is enrolled to start at any stage next year and you have not already begun the enrolment process.
3. By reconfirming that your pre-schooler is in our database as intending to be at our school from 2014 onwards.

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, 9th November.

Pubertal Change – Y5-8.

All students in Y5-8 will have received information regarding this programme starting in the Senior School shortly. This programme was available for viewing as part of the Health Consultation held earlier this year. If however, you wish to discuss the content of the programme, please arrange a time by emailing Mr Norman at graeme@stpatta.co.nz



School Lunch Roster

Fri 19th Oct : Diane Ngapo

Fri 26th Oct : Nicki Timmo, Alana Growe

Staff changes....

We say farewell to our caretaker Bibi for two terms as he returns home to Fiji for an extended visit and we welcome Mike Kiely who will be acting caretaker. Welcome Mike!

Uniform – Term 4

Wow the children look really fantastic in the new school uniform!

Just a reminder about sandals...

please consider that the kids are running around and playing in their sandals – hence the reason why we favour the robustness that roman sandals offer as opposed to the more 'strappy' fashion sandals.

Bucket hats too... offer much more protection against the harshness of the sun as opposed to caps



Marae Week – rescheduled to Week 4

We have had confirmation from Whakamarama Marae that we will be visiting in Week 4 (5th – 9th November 2012).

Parents - Please re-confirm whether you can assist, this information is coming home today with the newsletter.

Walking school bus

A letter came home about this on Monday. There will be a meeting at school at **3pm next Thursday 25th October** to discuss setting this up.



Sacred Heart Girls College, Hamilton

-Year 8 Entrance testing Date – change of date.

Originally this was to be on

Thursday 8 November at 8.50am and has now been changed to Friday 9th November at 8.50am. Please be on time.

Photolife School Photos

Class and Sports Team Photos will be taken **tomorrow, Friday 19th October 2012**



No Assembly Tomorrow

Lost...

School jersey named Anika Bailey, missing from the end of Term 3.

From the Bursar...

Our holiday weary bursar (welcome back Patty!) advises that student accounts will come home on Friday 26th October. These will include the Term 4 donation instalment. Final accounts for 2012 (where any unpaid donations will be reversed) will come home later in the term.

ICT & RE Digital Resource Donations – Term 3

update. A HUGE thanks to those parents who have paid these donations so far this year. Term 4's portion is now being debited to school accounts. A reminder that the donation rates are : **RE Digital Resource** : \$12.00 per child per year (\$3.00 per term)

ICT Donation: \$80.00 per child per year – (\$200.00 max per family) Equates to \$20.00 per term.

As at the end of Term 3, 57.3% of RE Donations have been paid (49.3% in Term 2, 38.9% in Term 1) and 56.9% have paid the ICT Donation (46% in Term 2, 38.4% in Term 1).

These donations are very important to the work of our school and we would very much appreciate receiving these from you.

SPORTS NEWS

Touch Rugby...

Touch teams are together now and games start tonight and go through until 20th of Dec. Games are played at Albert Park TA.

We have five teams entered this year so good luck to them all and enjoy the season.

Miniball...

Miniball is starting next week on Oct 24th for eight weeks every Wednesday at the Te Awamutu College Gymnasium.

This is an opportunity for our younger children to play a sport and is the first year we have entered this sport. We have four teams from years 1 to years 4 playing so good luck to them.

If anyone wishes to coach a team, it would be appreciated, just let the office know.

Netball and Basketball - Unreturned Uniforms...

We need all the netball and basketball uniforms in by Friday for the team photos so if you have not returned these could you do so on Friday please

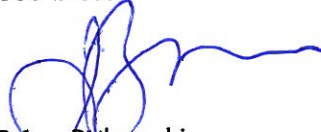
Could we also have all coaching bags and balls and water bottle carriers returned to the office from Netball please

PTA NEWS

Watch out kids.....coming up soon - a Sushi lunch on a Wednesday. More details to follow.

Also.....**School Disco...7th December 2012...**
more details to come.

God bless



Brian Belczacki
Principal

ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

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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

Holy Hour: after 9:15am Mass each Friday

CLASS MASS @ 11:15am Friday 19th Oct : NO MASS
Friday 26th Oct : R8,9

Weekend Masses - 5.30pm Sat (vigil)

Sunday Mass – 10am

29th Sunday in Ordinary time – 21st October

Gospel Reading : "For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve." (Mk 10: 35-45)

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

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays – 11:30am to 12noon

COMMUNITY NEWS

Holiday work wanted / Babysitter available...

Reliable Sacred Heart student looking for some part-time work during the summer school holidays. Please contact Dana at the school office or phone 078731622 after 5pm.

House wanted for rent...

Wanted 2 or 3 bedroom house wanted for before 26th October 2012. Please phone Theresa on 870-3197 or 027 375 0272.

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 4, please come to our registration nights on Tues 16th Oct & Thurs 18th Oct @ 5.30pm – 6.30pm (\$40 registration fee to be paid at registration).

We meet at the Te Awamutu College cricket practice nets which are situated on the college fields in Factory Rd, next to Te Wananga o Aotearoa.

Games begin Saturday the 27th Oct.

If you cannot make it to registration night, or need further information, please phone Helen Bastion (07) 871 3321.

Girls Cricket

Te Awamutu Junior Cricket is looking at putting together a girl's cricket team to play on Wednesday nights in a Hamilton cricket competition, years 6/7/8.

If you are interested in playing, please come along to an information & registration night, Wednesday 17th Oct, 5.30pm @ Te Awamutu College practice nets, next to Te Wananga o Aotearoa. Competition begins Wednesday 31st Oct. If you cannot make this night, or need further information, please phone Helen Bastion (07) 871 3321



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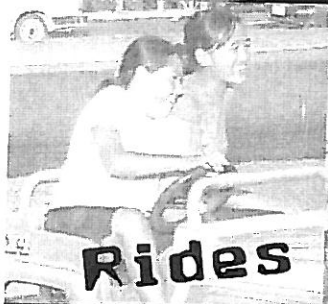
GO THE ALL BLACKS!!!





You're invited to the Light Party III

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**Bouncy
Castles**



Wednesday 31st October

4.30 pm - 8.00 pm

Selwyn Park

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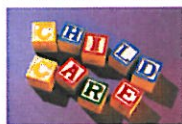
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