



# St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August**  
**2013**

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**Office Staff :** Sue Cresswell, Dana Macdonald  
**Bursar :** Patty Dudson  
**Parish Priest :** Fr Joe Stack  
**BOT Chairperson :** Kyle Owens

**Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,**  
**The Charism for this week is :**



**A quote from St Mary of the Cross MacKillop**

"Do what you can with the means at your disposal and leave all the rest calmly to God."

7<sup>th</sup> August 1888.

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



**COMMUNITY MASS – NEXT SUNDAY**  
**8<sup>th</sup> September @ 10AM – ALL**  
**WELCOME!**

**No lunches tomorrow Friday 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**August due to cross country**

## TERM DIARY

<b>Wk 5</b>	Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Aug : St Pat's Cross Country
<b>Wk 6</b>	Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept : Prayer Assembly @ 8:55am CH : Honesty Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept : Parent Evening "Keeping ourselves safe". 5:30pm R11 Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept : WFP Cross Country @ Te Aroha Thur 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept : Technology Y7/8 @ TAI Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept : Photolife Portrait Photos only : Team 1 Assembly @2:30pm
<b>Wk 7</b>	Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> Sept : COMMUNITY MASS @ 10AM Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Sept : BOOK FAIR WEEK Prayer Assembly @ 8:55am CH : Stewardship Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept : Hockey Tournament Y5-8 (Hamilton) Thur 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept : Technology Y7/8 @ TAI Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept : TA I/Schs X Country @ Kihikihi ages 8-10 : Team 2 Assembly @2.15pm
<b>Wk 8</b>	Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept : CH: Stewardship : Grandparents Day : morning/ Mass @9:15am Book Fair available this day... Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept : BOT Meeting 6pm Thur 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept : Technology Y7/8 @ TAI Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept : Team 1 Assembly @ 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](http://www.stpatta.co.nz/1/embedded_items/1-school-calendar) as this is updated as events or changes come to light.

## Keeping ourselves safe....Parent Evening

From week seven all teachers will be teaching the "Keeping ourselves safe" health programme, with the support of Constable Leesa Brookes. There will be a parent evening on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Set at 5.30pm** explaining the programme and Leesa will answer any questions or concerns you might have. Please let the office know if you will be attending.



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

*'Empowered today for tomorrow's world'*

## Daffodil Day is tomorrow !!!

**Daffodil Day decorate a hat!.....**

Who can create the craziest yellow Daffodil Day hat? Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August (same day as the school cross country).

Please bring a gold coin donation for the Cancer Society and your crazy hat creation.

Prizes for the craziest and most creative hat.



### FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### Casual Vacancy for an Elected Trustee

A casual vacancy has occurred on the board of trustees for an elected parent representative. The board has resolved under section 105 of the Education Act 1989 to fill the vacancy by selection. If ten percent or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held. Any eligible voter who wishes to ask the board to hold a by-election should write to:

Kyle Owens, Chairperson

Board of Trustees

St Patrick's Catholic School,

PO Box 300, Te Awamutu, 3840

**by: Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2013**

Signed : Dana Macdonald

Returning Officer

**This notice was first published in the TA Courier on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2013.**

#### ICT / RE Digital resource Donations.

Thanks to all those who have paid their ICT and RE donations this year. It is wonderful to see 65% of the RE costs have been recovered. The ICT costs are much greater and place a much bigger burden on our school budget. We appreciate that a third has been covered by parents to date. It would be really great if we could get 100% of donations paid by the end of the year. Thank you.

ICT Donation	RE Digital Resource Donation
Charged : \$15,763.40	Charged : \$2,835.20
Paid : \$5,327.20	Paid : \$1,830.20
% Paid : 33.8%	% Paid : 64.55%

## Agricultural Day 2013...

St Patrick's Ag Day is confirmed for **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2013**. This date differs from other years as the Seniors are away on camp. Entry forms are available from the office and will be accepted with the \$5.00 entry fee. Please confirm placements **as soon as possible**. Happy bonding!



## Science Fair..



On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August I went to Waikato University for the NIWA Waikato Science Fair prize giving. I attended the NIWA Prize Giving because I was one of the top five projects in our school Science Fair. We then went on to the regional Science Fair and was awarded a highly commended and received a prize.

I won a highly commended certificate, a ribbon, a poster and \$10 for my science fair project 'Does the Weight of Wood Change as It Dries'.

BY Jack Lanting

.....Well done Jack!!!

## WHAT'S YOUR WHĀNAU DOING?

Conservation Week 8 - 15 Sept



### 8-15 September Conservation Week 2013

**A note from the Enviro team....**

#### 'Celebrate Conservation Week!

What's your whānau doing?' is the theme for Conservation Week this year. New Zealanders and their whānau—whether that's families, friends, sports teams, office mates, flatmates, or any group that considers themselves whānau—will be encouraged to make a pledge for conservation.

You and your whānau will be able to choose a pledge from a list of fun activities. By registering your pledge, you'll also go in the draw to win some cool prizes.

<http://www.doc.govt.nz/getting-involved/events-and-awards/conservation-week/>



### Fonterra Milk for Schools Programme

The Fonterra milk for schools programme (Y0-6) started on Monday. Thank you to those who have sent their forms in. If you have not done so please return these to the office.



### Lost.....

School shirt size 6 with the name Higginson on the bottom hem. If found please return to the office.

### Photolife Portrait Photos only

Photolife will be at the school on Friday 6th September to take family portraits only. Watch out for information/order forms coming home. Class and Sports teams photos will be taken in Term 4.

### MARK YOUR DIARY...

#### BOOK FAIR WEEK – Starting in week 7

Our annual book fair will be held from September 9-16. This year we will hold the Book Fair upstairs in the old uniform room (above Room 12). The Fair will come in boxes this year as we will not be able to lug the big stands upstairs. Therefore we will need help to set it up on Friday 6th Sept, and pull it down on Tuesday 17th Sept (day after Grandparent's Day). If you are able to help with this, please contact Cass or the Office. Had you considered buying books to be donated to the Library this year.

### GRANDPARENT'S DAY

Grandparent's Day is on **Monday 16th September**.

Details next week !!

The day will start with Mass @ 9:15am.

The Book Fair will be available for viewing (& sales) on this day also.



### PTA NEWS

There will be no more sausage sizzle on Wednesdays. Thank you to all the parents who have helped make this successful.



### Baptism Preparation Process.

There have been a number of enquiries about whether there will be a school-based baptismal programme offered this year. If there are sufficient numbers (students must at least 8 years old), we will run this process. Please contact the school office..



### ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at our Junior school assembly on Friday 23rd August 2013.



#### CHARISM AWARDS – "Kindness"

Max Wilson	Grace Gower
Jake Gunn	Nixon Parkes
Addison Mark	Isla Joyce

#### DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Finn Blackwell	Luke Chapman
Maureen Tauai	Michaela Sweeney
Ella Hughes	Hailee-Jayde Leeder
Seth Hopgood	Cooper Rush
Felicity Searle	Cody Mackie
Sienna Sanders	

### SPORTS NEWS

**School Cross Country – TOMORROW, Friday 30th August. 12noon-2:30pm** – (Saving Day Monday 2nd September)

**NOTE : THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL LUNCHES ON THIS DAY !** St. Patrick's School Cross Country - approximate times.

**St Patrick's School Cross Country-** approximate times

12.30 pm First Race - Year 7 and 8  
1pm 8 year old Girls & Boys will start the racing  
1:45pm Juniors to join the rest of the school to start racing at 2pm

**Senior School:**

12.35pm Year 7 Boys and Girls  
12.50 Year 8 Boys and Girls

**Middle School:**

1.10pm 8 yr olds Girls & Boys  
1.20 9 yr olds Girls & Boys  
1.30 10 yr olds Girls & Boys  
1.45 11 yr olds Girls & Boys

**Junior School:**

2.00pm 7 yr olds Girls & Boys  
2.10 6 yr olds Girls & Boys  
2.20 5 yr olds Girls & Boys

#### IMPORTANT TO NOTE FOR CROSS COUNTRY

\* Children to wear a house coloured t-shirt and school shorts for Cross Country.



- \* Seniors need a healthy large morning tea before they run.
- \* A hat is a good idea as the sun is starting to heat up.
- \* a large drink will be required for this day.
- \* NO students to go home until all events are finished. Parents who wish to take their children after X Country, please pick you child up from the classroom.

#### **Other Cross Country Events...**

The **Catholic Inter school Cross Country** has been cancelled this year.

The **Waikato Full Primary Cross Country** will be held at Stanley Avenue School in Te Aroha on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

The **TA Interschools Cross Country** for 8-11 year old will be held again at Kihikihi Domain on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

#### **Other sports...**

**Rural Hockey Tournament** at Innes Common on Tuesday 10th September, where we have four teams attending.

Keep an eye out in next week's newsletter for information on TOUCH rugby starting in term 4.

#### **Netball...**

The Netball season has now come to an end. With the Future ferns finishing their season on the 17<sup>th</sup> of August and the Competition teams finishing on the 24<sup>th</sup> of August. Thanks to all of our coaches, managers and parents who supported the netball, it was a great season.

**St Pats Blue** placed 1<sup>st</sup> in their grade they also won the promotion relegation.

**St Pats Red** placed 4<sup>th</sup> in their grade

**St Pats Yellow** placed 5<sup>th</sup> in their grade

**St Pats White** placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in their grade

**St Pats Silver** placed 6<sup>th</sup> in their grade

**Well done to all the teams!**

Can we have all netball uniforms washed and returned to the office in a bag with your name.

#### **Basketball...**

DRAW FOR: <b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2013</b>		
<b>Team</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Verses / Court</b>
St Pats Eagles	5.00pm	T A Tigers
St Pats Hawks	5.30pm	K Town Wildcats
St Pats Falcons	7.00pm	Ohaupo Fliers

God bless

  
Brian Belezacki  
Principal

## **ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS**

### **St Patrick's Catholic Church - Te Awamutu**

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Parish Council Chairperson : Nick Prendergast

Office Hours: 8am – 12noon Tuesday – Friday



#### **Mass Times**

Wednesday – Friday 9.15am

**Holy Hour:** after 9:15am Mass each Friday  
with Benediction around 10:30am

#### **Weekend Masses**

**22<sup>nd</sup> Week in ordinary time**

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013**

Vigil – 5.30pm (Saturday)

**Sunday Mass – 10am**



**Luke 14:1, 7-14 We are you to sit at the wedding banquet?**

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Waikato Touch Association Junior Trials and skills days...

From September 2013 Waikato Touch will be holding Junior Skills Sessions for players that are wanting to trial for the Under 9, 11, 13, 15 and under 17 age groups.

The dates set for the junior skills sessions are:

**VENUE: STEELE PARK, COOK STREET, HAMILTON**

Players are to register each week prior to skills and trial day at the specified area Registration times are:

Under 9-13's 2.15-2.45pm ready to start at 3.00pm

Under 15-17's 3.45- 4.15pm ready to start at 4.30pm

#### Date / Session/ Time

Sundays : 15, 22, 29 Sept , 6 Oct

Under 9-13's play 3 -4pm (2:15-2:45pm. Ready to start 3pm )

Under 15-17's play 4:30 – 5:30pm (3:45-4:15pm. Ready to start 4:30pm)

**Trials will be held: Sunday 13 October 2013**

Under 9-13's 3pm - 4pm

Under 15-17's 4.30pm – 5.30pm

If you are interested, registration forms and more information can be emailed to you. Email [maree@stpatta.co.nz](mailto:maree@stpatta.co.nz) for a copy.

### CLEAN OUT YOUR WATER TANKS

Remove leaf sludge, residue or worse. I have been doing this service for 22 years and believe I am as efficient and economical as any doing this. Now is the best time as the fuller the tank the more efficient the job . Limited water loss. Thanks BRIAN KEIGHLEY.

KCaquaclean 07 872 2852 ring me NO obligation.

## REWARD A SPORT MAKER

by nominating them now!

From the coaches and officials, to the uniform washers and administrators, a Sport Maker is someone who volunteers their time and effort for sport in the Waikato region.

Nominate the Sport Maker that makes a difference in your sport. All nominees go in the draw for the chance to receive some awesome sporting gear.

Take the time to nominate and reward a local Sport Maker who helps you and your sport.

[www.sportwaikato.org.nz](http://www.sportwaikato.org.nz)

Volunteers

### TA YMI Gymnastics Club

TA YMI Gymnastics Club would like to thank St Patricks School junior students for coming to visit us for gymnastics sessions on Monday.

We are so glad you had a wonderful time!

Some parents were asking about possibly enrolling your children in our classes.

#### Our sessions are:

PLAYGYM (Pre-school) - 9.30-10.30 Mon

5-8 yr olds - 4.00-4.50pm Mon

8-10 yr olds - 5.00 - 5.50pm Mon

Plus we offer further classes for older children and teenagers

Please contact Leanne for queries and enrolment details 07 871 5026

or visit our website: [www.sportsground.co.nz/taymigym](http://www.sportsground.co.nz/taymigym)

Please note: Some classes are currently full this term and you may need to wait until the beginning of next term

## "AN EGG A DAY IS OKAY"

True! The yolk of an egg contains cholesterol which tends to make people think that eggs are bad for us. However, research shows that cholesterol from eggs does not increase our blood cholesterol, it's saturated fats in our foods that do this. So unless you have high cholesterol, an egg a day is okay!





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