

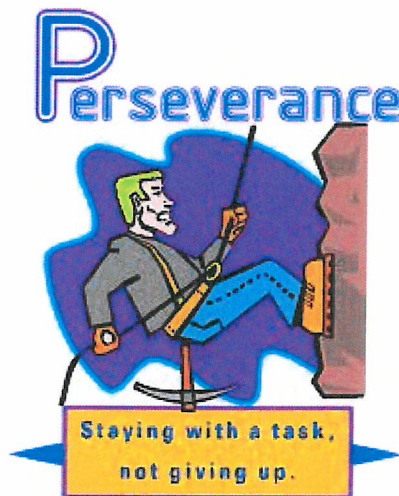
St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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2013

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



As we near the end of the year and the 'silly season' begins in earnest, the temptation can be to begin to give up.... And that's when we need to ask God for the gift of perseverance, so that we can be, like St Paul, and win the race to the end.

A quote from St Mary of the Cross

Mackillop

"How much I long for a true spirit of charity and unity among us."

3rd March 1873.

St Mary of the Cross

Mackillop...Pray for us



TERM DIARY

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| Wk 5 | Fri 15 th Nov : Class Mass @ 9:15am R5,9 Road Patrol Day 10am-2:30pm Team 2 (Snr Sch) Assembly @ 2:15pm |
| Wk 6 | Mon 18 th Nov : CH : Perseverance Prayer Assembly @ 8:55am Wed 20 th Nov: School Athletics (Saving Day) Thur 21 st Nov : Technology Y7/8 @ TAI CIS@ Porritt St, Hamilton @ 9am Fri 22 nd Nov : Class Mass @ 9:15am R3,6 Choir singing at San Michele @11:15am Team 1 (Jnr Sch) Assembly @ 2:30pm |
| Wk 7 | Mon 25 th Nov : CH : Advent - Faith Prayer Assembly @ 8:55am Thur 28 th Nov : Technology Y7/8 @ TAI WFP Athletics @ Porritt St, Ham, 10am -2pm Fri 29 th Nov : Class Mass @ 9:15am R7/8 Team 2 (Snr Sch) Assembly @ 2:15pm |
| Wk 8 | Mon 2 nd Dec : CH : Advent - Hope Prayer Assembly @ 8:55am Thur 5 th Dec : Technology Y7/8 @ TAI Fri 6 th Dec : TAI Interschool Athletics @ Stadium Class Mass @ 9:15am R10/1 Whole School Assembly @ 2pm in Hall |

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



MONTH OF NOVEMBER
HOLY SOULS PRAYER
Eternal rest grant to them O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine on them...
May they rest in peace. Amen

Team 2 (Snr School) Assembly
TOMORROW @2:15pm

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

'Empowered today for tomorrow's world'

As we finish 2013.....

Year 8 Dinner is on Tuesday 10th December 2013 at the TA Workingman's Club (change of venue) from 6:30pm.

Year 8 Retreat Day is on Wednesday 11th December 2013.

End of Year Reports will be issued on Friday 13th December 2013

Prize giving Assembly is on Monday 16th December @ 1:45pm followed by the **End of Year Liturgy / Farewell to Y8's** which will be at 6.30pm.

End of Year Mass - Last day of Term 4.

We celebrate the end of year with a school Mass at 11:45am on **Tuesday 17th December**. Students may go home after Mass with school closing when the final buses run at 2pm.

And move into 2014.....

The office will be open on **Wednesday 29th Thursday 30th & Friday 31st January** from 8:30am to 12:30pm. All staff will be attending professional development on Tuesday 28th January 2014. Our school opens for instruction on **Monday 3rd February @ 8:55am**. The office open as usual from 8:15am -3:15pm from this day.

Advanced notice – next community Mass

**Feast of Christ the King.
Sunday 24th November at 10am.**



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The pressure is on !!!!!

Our school roll continues to be under pressure for 2014 and onwards with almost daily inquiries for spaces. Our maximum roll is 291. If you are aware that your child is not returning to our school next year (not Y8's!) – **please advise us (in writing) urgently so that we can then assure some of our enquiring families of spaces here at St Pat's next year.**

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Fri 15th Nov – Sandra Russ & Dianne Ngapo

Fri 22nd Nov – Gill Higgs & Nicky Mason

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at our Junior school assembly last week on Friday 8th November 2013.



CHARISM AWARDS – "Respect"

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| Ashlee Bell | Tylah Atkinson |
| Lily Smith | Eliza Songhak |
| Abraham Subritzky | Emily Baldock |

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Olivia Wrathall | Taylor Smith |
| Shania Holmes | Boyd Baldock |
| Aroha Abraham | Sophia Donnell-Durney |
| Lily Priscott | Hailee-Jayde Leeder |
| Jake Fergusson | Edmund Shum |
| Seren Crowley | Joshua Chisholm |

PTA NEWS

Christmas Grocery Raffle.....coming up!!

And....one more lunchtime gala coming up with exciting activities etc....



SPORTS NEWS

School Athletics Day – Went off without a hitch yesterday... A huge thank you to teachers and parents for your organization and assistance on the day. A special thanks to the Mason family for giving their time and expertise to the school every year.

Results will be posted on the website next week. Letters will come home on Monday for those who will be attending the following athletic days.

Other dates to note are:

Catholic Interschool's Athletics Day (Y7-8): Thursday 21st November. Porritt Stadium, Hamilton

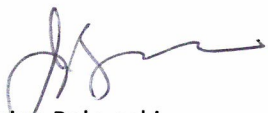
Waikato Full Primary Athletics Day (Y7-8) : Thur 28th
Nov. Porritt Stadium, Hamilton
TA Interschool's Athletics Day (Y4-6): Fri 6th Dec. TA
Stadium.

Lost.....A lot of people have not been able to find their hats from Athletics Day! Can you please check that you have only your own hat and if not return it to the office as soon as possible. Thank you!!!

Survival Swimming (Yrs5-8)

To complete our swimming programme for 2013 Yrs 5-8 will be participating in a 2 week survival programme which will look at a range of skills like sculling and using flotation devices. Survival swimming is an important part of this school's swimming programme where we focussed on swimming skills in Term 1 and getting your children ready to enjoy the water safely in Term 4. A letter will come home informing you of this.

God bless



Brian Belczacki
Principal

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- Joshua 24:15 -

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Mass Times

Weekday Masses

Wednesday to Friday 9.15am

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

Weekend Masses

33rd Week in ordinary time

Sunday 17th November 2013

Mass – 10am

Gospel Reading : Luke 21 :5-19

'Your endurance will win you your lives

Building up the Church – Contributing Time, Talent and Treasure

Saint Patrick's Parish is embarking on a review of its Planned Giving: those who give regularly are asked to consider giving a little more, and those who have not yet committed to financially support the parish are being invited to do so either through an automatic bank payment or a regular contribution in a Planned Giving envelope.

With the theme **Building up the Church**, the Parish Finance Committee aims to build further on the generosity of parishioners by reminding them that there is a past, a present and future to this building up. Our current resources are the generous legacy that we have inherited from past generations. The Baptisms of our school children this coming Sunday at 10am Mass are the present; the future can be seen in the plans for an enlarged Parish Centre. All have a part to play; all can contribute what the review calls our time, talent and treasure. In other words, money (treasure) is necessary for building up the Church, and so are time and talent. We do not all have all three in equal measure, but we do have all three, and contributing what we can will enable the Church and Catholic Community to be built up together for future generations

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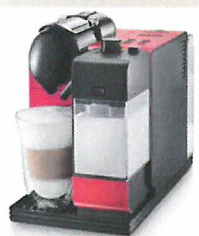
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