



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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**Thursday 5th March
2015**

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Office Staff: Dana Macdonald, Celena O'Donnell
Bursar: Patty Dudson.
Parish Priest: Fr Joe Stack.
BOT Chairperson: Kyle Owens.

Kia Ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

The Charism for this week is:



*Prayer... ask God for the faith to persevere
Know where you want to go.... Set goals
Know that hard times will come and think about
ways to get around them...*

*Seek help early..... Don't give up... don't give
up.... Don't give up*

SECOND WEEK OF LENT...

- Prayer
- Fasting – not giving up but giving out....
- Works of Love...

*What's your Lenten
sacrifice going to be?*

*From the CARITAS
Lenten calendar*

Thursday 5th March 2015

Reflection on this Sunday's Gospel....

'How can we be guardians of God's Creation?'



TERM DIARY

Wk 5	Fri 6 th Mar: Class Mass @ 9:15am Rms 5-7 World Day of Prayer 10:30am @ St Pat's Team 3 (Snr Sch) Assembly 2:15pm Hall
Wk 6	Mon 9 th Mar: Prayer Ass 8:55am CH : Perseverance Snr Sch Swim Spts (8 yrs up) @ TA Events C 9:30-12:30pm Jnr School Swimming Sports (at school) 1pm – 2:45pm Tue 10 th Mar: Sailing R11 @ L Ngaroto Wed 11 th Mar: Catholic I/Schools (Y4-6) Swimming Sports Sailing R8 & Y5's in R4 @ L Ngaroto Thu 12 th Mar: Sailing R9 @ L Ngaroto Fri 13 th Mar: Day of Adoration Mass @ 9:15am Rms 4,8,9. Sailing R10 @ L Ngaroto Team 1 & 2 Assembly 2:30pm
Wk 7	Sun 15 th Mar: Community Mass & 'St Pats' Picnic Mon 16 th Mar: NO Prayer Assembly. Catholic I/Schools Swimming Sports (Y5/6) Y5 & 6 Swimming TA Events C 11:15-12:15pm Goal Setting Conferences Tue 17 th Mar: ST PATRICK'S DAY. Liturgy & Prayer Assembly 8:55am CH : Empathy Goal Setting Conferences Thur 19 th Mar: ST JOSEPH'S DAY - Mass @ 9:15am (Teams 2 & 3). Fri 20 th Mar: MUFTI DAY – Red Cross Team 3 (Snr School) Assembly @ 2:15pm
Wk 8	Mon 22 nd Mar : Prayer Ass 8:55am CH : Empathy Wed 25 th Mar : Opportunity for student Reconciliation 1:30-2:45pm BOT Mtg 6pm in Room 8. Thur 26 th Mar : Opportunity for student Reconciliation 1:30-2:45pm Fri 27 th Mar : Class Mass @ 9:15am Rooms 10/11. Whole School (Charism) Assembly @ 2pm Sun 29 th Mar : PALM SUNDAY

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 hand.



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

'Keep young as long as you can.'

3rd May 1874

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop.....

Pray for us

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

'Empowered today for tomorrow's world'

Community Mass....

.....Is next Sunday 15th March

We want to welcome you all to our mass which will have a St Patrick's Day theme (even though St Patrick's Day is on the following Tuesday).

- Picnic to follow....
- Games...
- Pool open....

Please see the leaflet that will coming home...



ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at our Junior and Senior team assemblies on Friday 27th and 6th March 2015.



DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

David Zhu	Jason Shum
Brandon Jellie	Ali Sanders
Jarred Collins	Christopher Thorburn
Carys Joyce	Joshua Hamlyn
Mitchel Rawson	Georgia Kendrick
Tapiwanashe Change	Carter Spiers

ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Rachel Gleeson	Jasper Freeman
Michelle Shum	Liam Gleeson
Nikita Scott-Peterson	Harry Russ
Danielle Brdanovic	Jonnee Harris

CHARISM AWARDS – "Justice - Juniors"

James Parsons	Raquan Smith
Sonny Harris	Emerson Lee
Harry Smith	Ashlee Bell

CHARISM AWARDS – "Justice - Seniors"

Sinea Fraser	Jack Sicklemore
Joshua Froggatt	

Annual update of our database

Database came out last week, please return to the office ASAP.

CYBERSAFETY FORMS ARE COMING HOME TODAY.

Please work through these forms with your child – children who are 10 or older are to sign forms also...

Please return to school ASAP.

Adoration.... Next Friday 13th March...

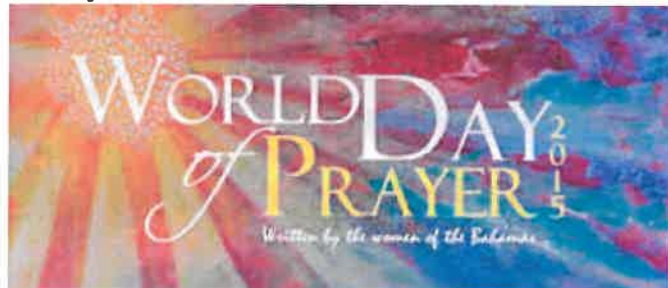


Each Friday after 9:15am there is a brief period of Adoration. However twice per year (during Lent and Advent) we have a 'Day of Adoration' where all students have an opportunity to pray before the Blessed Sacrament. You are also **VERY** welcome to come and spend time with the students at any time of the day. The timetable for classes is below (please note that Room 10 are away at Sailing on this day hence they are not on the roster).

9:15 – 9:45am	Mass – Rms 4, 8 & 9 parents / parishioners
9:45-10:10am	Adoration : Rms 1 & 2
10:30-11am	Adoration : Interval - students, teachers (on rotation), parents, parishioners
11 – 11:30am	Adoration : Room 3, 7
11:30-12noon	Adoration : Rooms 6, 5
12- 12:40pm	Adoration : Room 9
12:40-1:30pm	Adoration : Lunchtime - students, teachers (on rotation), parents, parishioners
1:30 – 2:15pm	Adoration : Room 11 (on rotation)
2:15 – 2:45pm	Close of Adoration with Benediction : Rooms 4, 8, 9, 11, All Welcome!

If you are able to spend some time during the school interval and lunchtimes, please let the office know.

World Day of Prayer – tomorrow Friday 6th March 2015



Our parish is hosting the World Day of Prayer Service in Te Awamutu tomorrow. Rooms 10 & 11 will also attend. This year's service has been prepared by the World Day of Prayer Committee in the Bahamas. The service starts at 10am with morning tea, ALL ARE WELCOME!

Senior School Assembly – tomorrow 2:15pm - Hall

Badging of our Student Leaders...

House leaders and other leadership positions, these students will be badged at Monday's Prayer Assembly.

FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board had their first meeting of the year last Thursday with Kyle Owens being re-elected as Chairperson for 2015.

Charter/Annual Plan 2015. The board thanks those very few people who provided feedback (both in writing and at the Meet the Teachers Evening) that assisted with the formulation of the 2015 Charter Goals and targets.

Student Achievement. We set high expectations for our students - 90% (at or above the relevant standard in Reading, Writing & Maths, and our 2014 results are pleasing as they show that : 93.5% of our students are achieving at or above the standard in Reading, 87.9% in Writing and 91.1% in Maths.

The staff and board have worked together setting learning targets for 2015. These are lodged with the Ministry as part of our Charter documents.

Building Programme. Plans have been finalised both for our Flexible Learning Space (replacing Rooms 5-7) and our Admin building and these will be heading out to tender very soon. In regards to the Flexible Learning Environment, there will be lots of information coming out, so watch this space!!!!

Splash and Dash – Duathlon...

Week 7 will see some of our Year 3-6 students competing in the Splash and Dash held at Te Awamutu Primary School. Keep an eye on the school calendar for details as we will need parents to support this event. GO KIDS!

Sailing 2015...

Once again our students from year 5-8 will spend a day with their class at Lake Ngaroto, enjoying each other's company and trying something new and exciting together. This day is helped run by Sailing NZ. A newsletter will have come home or be in the bottom of the school bag. A form needs to be returned to school. We require 6 to 7 parents/grandparents/neighbours to make this day happen for each class and is also a great way to get to know your child's peers.

God bless

Brian Belczacki
Principal

PTA NEWS

School lunch roster... We are always looking for people to help out for a couple hours on Friday mornings, please contact Maree Orr (0275 336 555) if you are able to go on the roster.

SPORTS NEWS

Swimming All classes are in their swimming programmes using either the school pool or at the Events Centre.

The **Senior School Swimming Sports** are the first event on the sport calendar, at the TA Events Centre next **Monday 9th March from 9:30am - 12:30pm**, while **Jnr School Swimming displays** will be held at our school pool on the same day as follows:

1pm – 1:20pm: Rooms 1 & 2

1:20pm -1:40pm: Room 3

1:40pm -2pm: Room 7

2pm – 2:20pm: Room 6

2:20pm -2:40pm: Room 5

Other Swimming Events...

Catholic Interschools (Y4-6): Wednesday 11th March @ Matamata.

Catholic Interschools (Y7-8): Monday 16th March @ Waterworld, Hamilton.

Waikato Full Primary Interschools (Y7-8): Thursday 19th March @ St Peters, Cambridge.



ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

St Patrick's Catholic Church - Te Awamutu

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Mass Times

Weekday Masses

Wednesday to Friday @ 9.15am

DAY OF ADORATION – Friday 13th March

Benediction @ 2:15pm

Weekend Masses

3rd Sunday in Lent

Sunday 8th March 2015

Vigil Mass @ 5:30pm

(Saturday)

Sunday Mass @ 10am

Gospel Reading:

John 2:13-22

"Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!"

Parish Notices...

Confirmation / 1st Eucharist Sacrament Reminders...

- All Children preparing for the Sacraments please remember to bring your work book and morning tea when you come to mass on Sunday.
- Parent meeting with Father Joe this Sunday 8th March 2015.



Fast



Give

LENT
Prepare



Pray

COMMUNITY NEWS

Sr Therese McConway RSJ – The Scottish Beginnings of Mary MacKillop...

Tomorrow, Friday 6th March, Sr Therese McConway, RSJ, will be visiting Te Awamutu.

Sr Therese has spent the past 6 to 7 years in Scotland and she has come to share her knowledge of the Scottish beginnings of our school's foundress, St Mary of the Cross MacKillop's, story with us.

All interested are invited to join her in the Parish Lounge at 3p.m.

Sr Therese is a delightful storyteller with a mischievous sense of humour.

Piano Lessons available... all levels from beginners to advanced... For further information please contact: Jacqueline Barry Ph 07 825 7427.

Babysitter Available...

If you need a babysitter, please contact Kaitlyn Gibson ph: 027 321 2086.

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nicolejoyce@digitalmunky.com



Calling all kids 8-16 years old...

Join us for a fun & social activity at our supervised **Lego Club**

Saturday mornings (term time only)

9:30am-11:00am \$15 entry

We welcome families with children with Autism

Email us or pick up an enrolment form from our office

48 Teasdale Street, Te Awamutu

Contact Amanda Phillips mob. 027 836 7694

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