



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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2015

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Kia Ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

The Charism for this week is:

EMPATHY...

How easy is it to think we know what is going on in the lives of others and therefore make judgements on them according to what we



perceive. When we have walked a mile or two in their shoes, perhaps then, with the eyes of empathy we will then see what we need to do.

Prayer: *This Lent, God give me the gift of Empathy so as to be slow to judge but quick to help....*

Happy St Joseph's Day!!



Today we celebrate the Feast of St Joseph with the focus being Joseph being the spouse of Mary and foster father of Jesus.

We also thank God for our own Sister of St Joseph – Sr Margaret and for the inspiration she is to us all.

FOURTH WEEK OF LENT...

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



From the CARITAS Lenten calendar

Thursday 19th March 2015.. Reflection on Sunday's Gospel: 'How can we expand the horizons of our encounters?'

TERM DIARY	
Wk 7	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: 7's Tournament Y5-6 10am-1pm @ TAPS Opportunity for student Reconciliation 1:30-2:45pm Fri 27 th Mar: Class Mass @ 9:15am Rooms 10/11. Whole School (Charism) Assembly @ 2pm First Reconciliation – Church 6-7pm
Wk 9	HOLY WEEK Sun 29 th Mar: PALM SUNDAY Mon 30 th Mar: Prayer Ass 8:55am CH: Empathy Tue 31 st Mar: Mass of the Oils 7pm Cathedral Thur 2 nd Apr: HOLY THURSDAY – Last Day of Term One. Easter Liturgy 1:45pm in the Church Fri 3 rd Apr: GOOD FRIDAY
Wk 1	TERM 2 Mon 20 th Apr: School opens for Term 2. Prayer Ass 8:55am CH: Stewardship Sat 25 th Apr: ANZAC DAY
Wk 2	Mon 27 th Apr: ANZAC DAY Observance – School Closed Tue 28 th Apr: Prayer Ass 8:55am CH: Stewardship Fri 1 st May: Mother/daughters breakfast Team 1 & 2 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 as this is updated as events or changes come to hand.



A quote from St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

'In St Joseph's care I leave you.'

25th March 1873

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop.....

Pray for us

Vinnies... Mufti Day tomorrow

Promoting Red Cross. We are doing this to acknowledge the work they do around our school.

- Come dressed in Red and White
- Bring a gold coin donation
- Prize for the best-Judged by Vinnies

We look forward to seeing you all...

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

'Empowered today for tomorrow's world'

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at teams 1 & 2 Assembly on Friday 13th March 2015.



DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

R1	Annalee Mackie	Zac Mitchell
R2	Brooke McKeany, Zander Shrimpton & Danee Harris	
R3		
R5	Harry Walkinshaw	Sean Lurman
R6	Tarina Otene-Karaitiana	Shiloh Bantugan
R7		

CHARISM AWARDS – "Perseverance Teams 1 & 2"

R1	Milo Cowley	R5	Lily Smith
R2	Luke Brindle	R6	Seth Hopgood
R3	Shalom Tauai	R7	Jacob Young

Annual update of our database & Cybersafety forms.

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

WaiKids Hearing and Vision Checks

Tuesday 31st March at 9am.

Ears: Audiometry – hearing test
Tympanometry-Middle ear function test
Eyes: Long distance vision test
Colour vision test (Year 7 boys only)



ANZAC
CENTENARY
April 25 2015

School overnight remembrance Friday 24th April

From the red leaflets sent out last week....

To date, we have had 14 replies with only 3 families able to support this initiative.

Could you please return these forms to the office ASAP.

Vinnies Easter Egg Drive!

Once again this year, Vinnies will be holding an Easter egg drive. The Easter Eggs will be donated to the Women's Refuge in Te Awamutu. It will be much appreciated if you could donate some wrapped chocolate Easter eggs to help with this cause. If you are able to donate some wrapped Easter Eggs, can you please send them along to school, Room 9, by Friday 27th March, so they can be distributed during Holy week. Thank you!!!



Vinnies Team.

Badging of our Student Leaders...

Congratulations to our leaders who were badged at the St Patrick's Liturgy on Tuesday 17th March. They join our head boy (Harry Russ) and Girl (Danielle Brdanovic).



The full list is as follows :

Head Girl - Danielle Brdanovic	Head Boy - Harry Russ
House Leaders Pirongia - Loryn Orr & Max Southcombe	
House Leaders Kakepuku - Madeleine Watt & Jahvani Growe-Lolesi	
House Leaders Te Kawa - Savannah Freeman & Kyle Fraser	
House Leaders Maungatautari - Mya Chaitika & Jake Dolan	
Cultural Leaders - Kahurangi Tamaki-Woolly & Keana Shum	
Enviro Leaders - Portia Turner & Cameron Greenhalgh	
Library leadership - Kate McQuilkin	
ICT Leaders - Joshua Froggatt & Dominic Kabel	
Liturgical Leadership - Brodie Montague Ward & Jonnee Harris	
Pastoral Care Leaders (new 2015) - Erin Penny & Kendall Payne	
Sports Leaders - Ross Cockburn & Sinead Cooper	
Vinnies leaders - Ruby Loomb & Max Southcombe (Deputy)	

ICAS – Australian Testing 2015.

Information came home last week regarding these tests for Y3/4-8 students. Testing days and prices are as below:

ICT	Y4-8	19 May 2015	\$8.50
Science	Y3-8	3 June 2015	\$8.50
Writing	Y4-8	15 June 2015	\$19.50
Spelling	Y4-8	16 June 2015	\$10.50
English	Y3-8	28 July 2015	\$8.50
Mathematics	Y3-8	11 August 2015	\$8.50

Entries with money will need to be at school by NEXT Wednesday 25th March 2015.

MATHATHON BEGINS NEXT WEEK....

See the information (on blue paper) that your child brought home yesterday.....

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

Rugby Tournament Thursday 26th March...

The year 5 and 6 7's Rugby Teams are well into practicing their rugby skills in preparation for their tournament next Thursday at Te Awamutu Primary. Six year 7 and 8 students are coaching the two teams using well practiced drills. We still require parent help for this event. If you can help please let Mrs Russ know.



Splash and Dash – Duathlon...

Yesterday some of our Year 3 and 4 students participated in the Splash and Dash Duathlon. This consisted of a run, swim, run. It was very impressive with all the students giving it a go! Today, our Year 5 and 6 student will have a go!



Swimming..

This past week our school has competed in the following events

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

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

Sailing ...

All senior classes R4 (Y5's), 8, 9, 10 & 11 have had a day's sailing at Lake Ngaroto over the last few weeks. A big thanks to those few parents, who by your support allow these events to happen. One class nearly didn't get there!

COMPETITION NETBALL DRAW

DRAW FOR: <i>Saturday 21st March 2015</i>		
Team	Time	Verses / Court
St Pats Gibson Contracting Cobras	9:25	PRW Troopers D
St Pats Daffodils	9:25	Rukuhia Piwakawaka F
St Pats Timmos ITM	9:50	PRW Stormers D
St Pats Daffodils	10:40	Ohaupo Friendship Spirits F
St Pats Gibson Contracting Cobras	11:05	Pekerau Pride D
St Pats Timmos ITM	11:30	Pekerau Respect D
St Pats Property Management Tycoons	11:55	PRW Stars E
St Pats Pastoral Panthers	12:20	Rukuhia Rebels E
St Pats Fahrenheit Flames	12:45	PRW Juniors C
St Pats Pastoral Panthers	1:35	Pekerau Integrity E
St Pats Pink Panthers	1:35	PRW Flyers E
St Pats Fahrenheit Flames	2:00	Whakamarama Juniors
St Pats Property Management Tycoons	2:00	Pekerau Spirits E



BMX Competition...



Congratulations to the above students who competed and won the Schools Challenge Trophy at the BMX Interschool Champs recently. This is the first time that our school has won this trophy. Well done!!!

Other Swimming Events...

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God bless

Brian Belzacki
Principal

ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

St Patrick's Catholic Church - Te Awamutu

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Parish Priest: Fr Joe Stack

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Parish Council Chairperson: Nick Prendergast



Mass Times

Weekday Masses

Wednesday to Friday @ 9.15am
Holy Hour : After 9:15am Mass with
Benediction around 10:30a

Weekend Masses

5th Sunday in Lent

Sunday 22nd March 2015

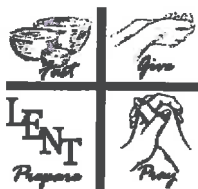
Vigil Mass @ 5:30pm
(Saturday)

Sunday Mass @ 10am

Gospel Reading:

John 12:20-30.

"And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all men to myself."



COMMUNITY NEWS

Te Awamutu – Kite Day...

Saturday 21st March – Albert Park 1-3pm

Bring your friends, family and a picnic and enjoy a fun afternoon of kite flying. Follow this event on facebook...

www.facebook.com/waipahomeofchampions



KIHIKIHI RUGBY SPORTS CLUB JUNIOR MUSTER



If you want to be part of a club that values whānau/family, then we are the club for you!

Kihikihi Junior Rugby will be holding a muster/registration day on the following date:

Saturday 28 March – 10.00-11.00am

Fees:

\$40 First Player

\$30 for 2nd player

\$20 Every player after

(NOTE: Fees will increase after muster dates)

Please bring fees & birth certificate /Passport to registration nights.

We are also looking for expressions of interest for coaches and managers of our 2015 junior teams.







For more information or register your interest contact:

Mihwaatara Hohepa – 021 0244 6774

Email: kihikhirugby@gmail.com


6 Facts About Earthworms


Olivia

 <p>Worms make tunnels.</p>	 <p>Worms help plants to grow.</p>
 <p>Worms have segments.</p>	 <p>Small worms have scales.</p>
 <p>The grey worm is the most common earth worm in New Zealand.</p>	 <p>Worm casts are good for soil.</p>

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6 Facts About hippos

 <p>hippos sleep in the day.</p>	 <p>baby hippos born under water.</p>
 <p>hippos leave their babies behind but other hippos babysit.</p>	 <p>Bull hippos sometimes kill each other.</p>
 <p>hippos can stay under water for five minutes.</p>	 <p>Most mother hippos move away from the herd to have their babies.</p>

Wow! You have worked so hard today! 

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Fantastic work!

-Miss J

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