



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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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:

KINDNESS



'Be kind to unkind people – they need it the most.'

Ashleigh Brilliant

Flexible Learning Environment 24th September 2015



End of Term Mass... is on tomorrow at 9:15am – all welcome !



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TERM DIARY

Wk 10	Fri 25 th Sep: Last Day of Term 3. School Mass @ 9:15am Whole School Assembly @ 2pm
Wk 1	TERM 4 Mon 12 th Oct: School opens for Term 4 Prayer Assembly 8:55am - CH : Respect Thur 15 th Oct : School Agricultural Day Fri 16 th Oct : Term 4 Mass
Wk 2	Mon 19 th Oct: Prayer Assembly 8:55am – CH: Respect Tue 20 th -22 nd Oct : Catholic Character Review Wed 21 st Oct: BOT Meeting 6:00-8:30pm Thur 22 nd Oct: Technology at TAI, 8.30am-12.30pm Group Day 9:00-3:00pm Fri 23 rd Oct : Team 1 Assembly @ 2:30pm – Jnr Class
Wk 3	Mon 26 th Oct: LABOUR DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED Tues 27 th Oct: Prayer Assembly 8:55pm CH: Justice Thur 29 th Oct: Technology at TAI, 8.30am-12.30pm Fri 30 th Oct: Team Assemblies: Team 3 @2:15pm. - Hall Team 2 @ 2:30pm – R5-7

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

'Love one another, each one always, in good and bad, not minding how things seem.' 25th September 1873

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop.....

Pray for us.



Whole School Assembly @ 2pm tomorrow in the School Hall.


- Charism Awards (whole school)
- AP / DP Awards
- Performances...!!!

ALL WELCOME!!

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

'Empowered today for tomorrow's world'

Wearable Arts... What a great show on Tuesday night for our inaugural 'Wearable Arts' Show and thanks too, to our judges Virginia Livingstone and Robyn Irvine and our 'MC' Kearyn Carr.
The winners are as follows:

Category	Section Winners
Nature	Xanthe Johnson: 'Dragonfly.'
History Repeats	Kale Duncan & Harry Southcombe 'The Flag Soldier'
Kids these days	Alana Olive & Karlie Alexander: 'Fred - The Minion'. 
Trash to fashion - girls	Lily Hayes, Olivia Haynes & Louise Rawson: 'Candy Rolls'
Trash to fashion - boys	Cooper Blackwell & Regan Linehan: 'The Milkman'
Under the Sea	McKenzie Montague & Hannah Parsons: 'Inky'. Millie Russ & Emma Field: "The crazy fishing day."
Out of the box	Liam Karl & Daniel Penny: 'Macrobot'
Overall Winners...Congratulations to: Category – 'Kids these days' Alana Oliver & Karlie Alexander: 'Fred - The Minion'.	

Winter Series of Parent Education...

The last session in the series was held last night where we presented information about how we teach Reading. Thanks to the small group of parents who came along! Watch out next term as there are two further evenings coming along – about flexible learning environments and pubertal change consultation (team3).

TA Schools Cultural Festival.....

Our roopu kapahaka group performed last Friday 'first up' at the TA Schools Kapahaka Festival held at the TA Events Centre. Our small but confident roopu really held their heads up to represent our school most sincerely. Although this event is non competitive, we were awarded the 'Roopu Rangimarie' trophy. It was great to see Whaea Nessa in the audience 'spurring us on'. A huge thank you to our whanau, Whaea Em (teaching the poi) and to Marcus for bringing this group together.

St. Patrick's Calf Club...

A reminder to register your pet calf, lamb or goat at the school office before the end of this term and collect the information sheet and medicine.

St. Patrick's Calf Club will be Thursday 15 October, the first week of Term 4.

Vivien Davies



Wellington Camp (T4) 2015 – Fundraisers

"Family Mystery Movie Night"



CINEMA

The two St Patrick's senior classes are having a fundraising movie night to help for their Wellington School Trip. A family mystery movie will be

screened at the Te Awamutu Regent Cinema on **Tuesday 20th October** at 5.30pm.

Tickets cost \$10 per person and can be paid for and collected from the school office, until 16th October.

Support the cause and bring your families to Movie night.

Metal Recycling Fundraiser...

The year 7 and 8 are doing a metal recycling fundraiser. If you have any old whiteware, BBQ's or other metal you wish to donate please call Mary (Fernand) **The bin will be onsite (down the school driveway) over the school holidays – drop offs are welcome.**

Sileni Estate Wine Fundraiser...

THE FINAL DATE FOR ORDER HAS BEEN EXTENDED UNTIL MONDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER. Every case sold is \$40.00 of off camp costs. Come on parents support the cause and buy up for Christmas; orders to: elaine@cnca.co.nz



Student Accounts.... For Term 3 came home during week 6. Thanks to those people who have already settled their account. We would appreciate payments to be made before the end of term. A reminder that you can pay on the internet. Our details are:

ASB Te Awamutu A/C **12-3134-0048177-00**

If you are paying by this method, please identify yourself (family name) in the payee reference.

FOR SALE... 1 x Size 5 School dress in good condition, please call Amy 0272220830.

FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Welcome to the end of Term 3. The year is flying through and a lot has happened in the school of late. Firstly, a tremendous shout out of 'well done' to those entrants in the wearable arts competition. It was a fantastic night and there were some amazing entries. Congratulations to the winning 'Fred the Minion' entrants.

School Buildings

The progress of our school buildings is pleasing to see. At our last meeting with the contractors, they have advised us they are slightly ahead on the Admin block and only a couple days behind for the teaching block. All going well we should have a completion date around the start of December.

Camps & Fundraising

Thank you to the parents who gave their time and supported our school with the recent Sports Camp and activity week for year 7 & 8 students last week. Also, to

those parents who have been focused on the fundraising programmes and events to provide for the November Wellington Camp.

Parent Information Evenings

I would like to thank the staff for their efforts in running the parent evenings throughout the course of this term. They have been very informative nights giving the opportunity for you parents to find out what the curriculum is and how the teachers deliver it. Thanks to those parents who have attended and I hope you received value from it. I would add however, that the evenings were not greatly attended by parents and this is a little disappointing, especially to those who have put the time and effort in to preparing these evenings. From our recent ERO visit, we have received feedback through both the parent survey and ERO discussions about providing information to our parents. We, with the School Management felt that this was an ideal way to convey some of this information about the curriculum across to parents.

Complaints Policy

The Board, at our last meeting, have adopted a new Complaints Policy. This was provided to the whole school community as a draft for review and was posted on the website for a two week period with only one respondent. Thanks to that person who took the time and made some really positive suggestions on behalf of the school. The final approved policy will soon be available on the school's website.

Board of Trustee Elections / Vacancies

The Board is also on the lookout for new members. 2016 is the next election year for Board's of Trustees nationwide. This generally takes place in May. There are several current members whose children will be leaving the school at the end of this year and so vacancies will be available come next year's elections. This is an opportunity to assist in the governance of the school.

Catholic Character Review

Term four sees the school being reviewed by the Diocesan Office in regards to the special Catholic Character of the school. This is similar to our earlier ERO review, but is focused around our special Catholic Character and the way we as a school present the values of Christianity. This will be happening in October 20 to 22.

Parish Fundraising Dinner

Please be aware that our Parish is holding a pot luck dinner evening on October 17th at the Te Awamutu Sports Clubrooms commencing at 6:30pm. This is to kick start their fundraising campaign for the proposed new Parish Centre that is set to be built alongside the school's new administration block. Tickets are available for the evening to be purchased after mass in the forthcoming weekends. Please look to support our Parish in this exciting project.

Finally, I take the opportunity to thank the school

management and staff for this past term, and to wish you all a safe and well deserved holiday break..

Kind regards

Kyle Owens
Board Chair



Christmas Box Appeal

Christmas Boxes...

Each year St Patrick's children donate Christmas gift boxes to needy children in the Pacific Islands through Samaritans Purse. Here are some ideas to bring for the boxes.

Toys: Include items that children will immediately embrace such as toy cars, yo-yos, jump ropes, balls, toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries), ball with pump, doll, stuffed animals, etc.

School Supplies: pens, pencils and sharpeners, crayons, markers, notebooks, paper, solar calculators, colouring and picture books, etc.

Non-liquid Hygiene Items: toothbrushes, bar soap, combs, washcloths, etc.

Accessories: T-shirts, socks, hats, sunglasses, hair clips, jewellery, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries), outfits, shoes, etc.

Crafts: Make your own items such as hair bows, finger puppets, and friendship bracelets. Download instructions here.

A Personal Note: You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. If you include your name and address, the child may be able to write back.

Please **DO NOT INCLUDE:** Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; out-of-date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

SPORTS NEWS

Inter-School Cross Country... Please see the results below to see how well our students rated at the Inter-school sports held at Kihikihi domain.

11YR OLD BOYS	11YR GIRLS
3 rd – Logan Lindsay	1 st – Alana Oliver
10YR OLD BOYS	10YR OLD GIRLS
2 nd – Daniel Penny	3 rd – Karlie Alexander
9YR OLD BOYS	8YR OLD GIRLS
1 st – Seth Olsen	2 nd – Seren Crowley
2 nd – Cooper Rush	

Awesome effort Boys and Girls...!

Current Students doing well...

One of our Year 4 students Joshua Chisholm spent yesterday Wednesday 23rd September competing at the 'Waikato Regional Gymsport Festival' 2015. Joshua came 2nd in the Flyers Club – Competition Level.



Junior Mixed

Touch... Teams have been finalised; however, there are TWO teams in which NO parents have offered to assist. Each team needs a nominated referee/coach and a manager, which is where once again we ask for your help. We cannot enter teams without these roles being filled so if you can help this would be much appreciated.

God bless

Brian Belczacki
Principal

ST PATRICK'S PARISH

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Mass Times

Weekday Masses

Wednesday to Friday @ 9.15am

Holy Hour: After 9:15am Mass with
Benediction around 10:30am

Weekend Masses

Sunday 27th September 2015

26th Sunday in Ordinary time

Vigil Mass @ 5:30pm (Saturday)

SUNDAY MASS@10AM

Gospel Reading: Mark 9:38-43. 45. 47-48

'Anyone who is not against us is for us.'

COMMUNITY NEWS

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**** Watch the space for Term 4 Swimming



MAD COW DRUMS - DRUM TUITION



Mad Cow Drums are pleased to
make the following offering to students of St Patricks
School who want to learn to play drums in Term 4!
Lessons will be on Thursday afternoon from
12.30pm.

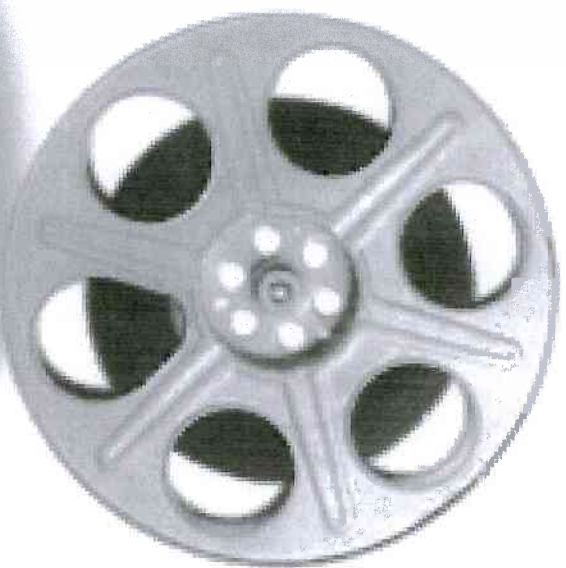
The cost per student is \$11.75 + GST/week. The
lesson dates will run in conjunction with the school
term.

Please feel free contact Glenn on 07 871-4738 or
021 2020269 to confirm a spot and get more details.
We will be offering a drum kit hire service. If this is
of interest please do email us at
madcowdrums@ihug.co.nz.

Please note there is no requirement for a drum kit to
begin these lessons!

If a student misses a lesson there will be no refunds on that lesson as
the fee covers his or her placement for the term.

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“FAMILY MYSTERY MOVIE NIGHT”

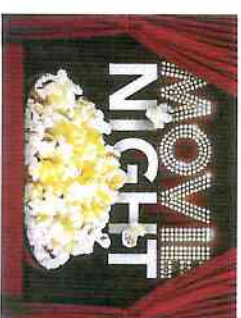
WELLINGTON CAMP FUNDRAISER

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