



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

The Charism for this week is:



Signs of a just person....

- loving the person regardless of the actions they may take.
 - not taking sides
 - not thinking that one person's rights are 'better' or more deserving over another person's rights
- both sides are treated with love and dignity.

Act justly ----- Love mercy ----- Walk humbly

Administration Block 5th November 2015



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TERM DIARY

Wk 4	Fri 6 th Nov: Class Mass @ 9:15am 4,8,9 Team 1 Assembly @ 2:30pm – Jnr Class
Wk 5	Mon 9 th Nov: Prayer Ass 8:55am CH : Co-operation Wed 11 th Nov: School Athletics Day (Saving day 13 th Nov) Thur 12 th Nov : Technology Y7/8 @TAI Fri 13 th Nov: Team Assemblies: Team 3 @2:15pm. - Hall Team 2 @ 2:30pm – R5-7
Wk 6	Mon 16 th Nov: Prayer Ass 8:55am CH: Co-operation Wed 18 th Nov: CIS Athletics (Y7/8) Board of Trustees Meeting 6pm Thu 19 th Nov: Technology Y7/8 @TAI Fri 20 th Nov: Class Mass @ 9:15am R10,11. Team 1 Assembly @ 2:30pm – Jnr Class
Wk 7	Mon 23 rd Nov: Prayer Ass 8:55am CH: Perseverance Tues 24 th Nov: TA Interschools Athletics Thur 26 th Nov: WFP (Y7/8) Athletics Day 9am-2:30pm. Technology Y7/8 @TAI Fri 27 th Nov: Class Mass @9:15am. R7,6. 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.

'Beware of self-mixing up with the work of God, fear your own judgements.' 9th August 1881

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop.....

Pray for us.



**Athletics Day Next Wednesday 11th
November 2015.**

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

'Empowered today for tomorrow's world'



Welcome to our school...

RM1: Angela Phourngpheap, Betsy McDaid, Llayton Simon-Harris, Kohan Battensby, Kees Van Der Hulst, Chelsea Young, Harry Wright, Samuel Gower, Riley Barnett, Elijah Driver, Maya Prescott, Poppy Beck.

RM2: Aaron Holmes, Dakota Hulst, Sasha O'Leary, Alexandra Cullen, Cadell Fairgray, Grace McBeth.

RM4: Miller Fairgray, Jack McGrail.

RM7: Teyani Fairgray.

We hope you enjoy your time here at St Pats!!

NOVEMBER is the month dedicated to remember our faithfully departed loved ones. For the month we will be remembering them at our masses and assemblies.

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM
O LORD AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT
SHINE UPON THEM..MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**

AMEN



**Feast of Christ the King
Sunday 22nd November**



Classes 2016

As we begin the process of making up classes for 2016, we are aware that there is continued pressure on our roll. This applies to the Senior classes (Y6-8) and our new entrant area.

Please assist us by making contact with the office :

1. In writing, if your child **will not** be returning to St Pat's next year.
2. If your child is enrolled to start at any stage next year and you have not already begun the enrolment process.
3. By reconfirming that your pre-schooler is in our database as intending to be at our school from 2016 onwards.

Specific requests for class placements.

We are currently confirming teachers and where teachers will be placed for next year. Any specific requests for class placement for education reasons (as opposed to placement with friends etc) can be made in writing to me or through my email principal@stpatta.co.nz by TOMORROW.

St Johns College Orientation Day for Year 9

Students 2016...Next Tuesday 10th November, a REMINDER that any students attending from our school can catch the St Johns bus to Hamilton. The bus leave's from the information centre at 7.30am and returns in the afternoon by 4pm.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at team assemblies Team 1 on Friday 23rd Teams 2 and 3 were last Friday, 30th October 2015.



TEAM 1 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS		CHARISM AWARDS "Respect"
1	Harry Wright	Emer Kendrick
	Maya Prescott	
2	Jacob Carr	Lukas Atkinson
	Sheina Bantugan	
3	Ali Sanders	William Bowmar
	Analee Mackie	

TEAM 2 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS		CHARISM AWARDS "Respect"
5	Sophia Donnell-Durney	Shania Holmes
	Mitchell Rawson	
6	Tara Old	Azaaliyah O'Donnell
	Adam Kabel	
7	Ava Cullen	Carter Spiers
	Teyani Fairgray	

TEAM 3 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS		CHARISM AWARDS "Respect"
4	Sophie Chapman	Sienna Overwater
	Miller Fairgray	
8	Abraham Subritzky	Edmund Shum
	Miguel Chaitika	
9	Courtney Burgoyne-Thomas	Hannah Kendrick
	Katelyn Holmes	
10	Shelby Haworth	Kate Overdevest
	Amy Mohring	
11	Seaton Bayley	Jahvani Growe-Lolesi
	Michael Dolan	

Wellington Camp – Rooms 10/11

I spent the last three days with our students. On Monday we travelled to Wellington, calling into two schools on the way down, St Joseph's Taihape for morning tea and St Joseph's Levin for lunch, a big thanks to them for the hospitality they extended. On Tuesday we had a very breezy but fine look around the Wellington CBD – walking around in groups to find various things after starting our day with a trip from Silverstream (where they are staying), into Wellington with the commuters split onto 2 trains. That was an interesting experience, especially for the



second group who had to cope with a very full train! A look at Te Papa (the Gallipoli exhibition was a very moving experience), with the day ended at the Zoo with the weather beginning to deteriorate. Wednesday dawned cold and wet - a taste of what Wellington is 'famous for'. We managed to get through Peter Jackson's Exhibit at the War Museum – a brilliant display – just before the roads closed to prepare for the arrival of Prince Charles and Lady Camilla who would be at this museum later in the day. Then it was off to Parliament to see the politicians in the debating chamber. Our bishop, Bishop Steve is in Wellington this week for the Catholic Bishop's Conference and so he met us at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart where he showed us around. Today it's off to Zealandia, The Botanical Gardens and Carter Observatory, and then we come down the Cable Car. Tomorrow we bid farewell to Wellington for our journey home. There are quite a few photos (*the picture in this newsletter is one of the exhibits at the Gallipoli Exhibition at Te Papa*) and comments on the school's Facebook page, login and have a look!

<https://www.facebook.com/stpatsteawamutu>

Mrs Carr's New Project...

Please collect and SAVE your MILKBOTTLE tops! I am planning a big project with them next year AND need your help in collecting A LOT! They can be dropped off at Room 8 please. Thank you.

Saint Vincent De Paul/Young Vinnies Joint

Initiatives...we have had a great response, please keep the items coming...for the Young Vinnies, teaming up with Saint Vincent De Paul to sell Christmas Cards and assist with the Christmas Brown Paper Bag Appeal.

Christmas Cards: The Young Vinnies will be selling these beautiful Nativity themed cards. The cards can be purchased through the Vinnies at school. They are excellent value at \$3.00 for a pack of 5.

Christmas Brown Paper Bag Appeal: Once again, the School is privileged to be involved with this amazing project. Each classroom will be given a bag to fill with items of food, kitchen and household consumables, Christmas treats and children's gifts. Last year 42 families in our community benefited from the Parish and School's generosity. In conjunction with the Brown Paper Bag Appeal is the **Area Council and Radio Christmas toy run**. If you have any old toys in good condition that you would like to donate to this, please send them along to school as well. This appeal runs through to the first week in December.

We look forward to your support with these three ventures. God bless Patsy Wisnewski, Convenor Young Vinnies.



Yummy Apple Stickers...

A huge thank you to all of those who supported our Yummy Apple sticker collection. We



collected 3774 stickers which equated to \$398 to spend on Yummy sports equipment. We will continue with collecting stickers, so that we will be able to have a head start on next year's collection. So keep sending the cut out labels from the bags and the stickers off the apples to school.

Student Accounts.... Thanks to those people who have already settled their account. As we are now moving through Term 4, we would really appreciate student accounts to be settled. Watch out for your next account that will be out in Week 5. 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.

Rugby World Cup...

Welcome home to Steve and Sheree Field who spent some time in England recently on a farm tour and took in the Rugby World Cup Final over the weekend. They managed to come home on the same flight as the All Blacks, and got some great photos with the boys and the Cup!!!



SPORTS NEWS

Athletics – Term 4 Dates

NOTE: Date Change

- School – Wed 11th November (saving day 13th Nov)
- Cath I/Schools – Wed 18th Nov
- TA Interschools – Tues 24th Nov
- Waikato Full Primary – Thurs 26th Nov at Porritt Stadium.

We need at least 6 gazebos and are still needing parent help for these days. If you can provide a gazebo or parent help, please email Mrs Russ:

michelle@stpatta.co.nz

Miniball....Draws for ALL teams went home last week.

Parents please check school bags. Year 5-6 comp started this week. Our Year 1-2 teams have been split into 3 teams due to large numbers, information was sent home last week. Year 3-4 comps started last Wednesday and what a great start to the season!

Just a reminder.....payments for students entering sports teams.

Our general policy for children who have entered into sports teams is 'no pay, no play'. The reason for this is that we are charged and have to pay the organizing clubs usually **BEFORE** the playing 'season' begins. The process we follow is that:

1. We ask for an 'expression of interest' includes information about the organization, how much you will need to pay.

2. From these 'returns' students, a confirmation letter comes home with a tear-off slip to be returned giving permission to play and should have payment. Your child is then registered in the team.

We are, however, finding that increasingly, we are getting confirmation that your child is playing but there is no payment with the 'permission slip'. The net effect is that the school is having to 'carry' this debt (on students accounts), until paid. The last thing we really want to do is to say to students that they cannot play until they have paid, so your assistance in paying these types of fees via the 'permission slip' notice would be gratefully appreciated.

God bless

Brian Belczacki
Principal

ST PATRICK'S PARISH

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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 10:30am

Weekend Masses

Sunday 8th November 2015

32nd Sunday in ordinary time

Vigil Mass @ 5:30pm (Saturday)

SUNDAY MASS@10AM

Gospel Reading: Mark 12:38-44

'A poor widow came and put in two small coins.. she has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

RAFFLE: This is the first fundraiser for the parish's multipurpose room extension. The prize is a \$3,000 travel voucher and \$1,000 spending money. Tickets \$10.00 each. Available from the school office, or you may take some books to sell on behalf

COMMUNITY NEWS

FREE DENTAL DAY

6 and 7 NOVEMBER 2015 HAMILTON

WHERE: River Road Dental, 608 River Road, Hamilton
Frankton Community Dental Clinic, Frankton Primary School,
Massey Street, Frankton, Hamilton

TIME: 8.00am to 5.00pm

TO MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT

Please telephone: 0800 FREE SMILE/
0800 373 376

FREE DENTAL DAY: NZ SMILE

FREE EAR CLINIC FOR CHILDREN (TERM 4)



This service will be available at the Rose Gardens here in Te Awamutu on:

Friday 20th November from 9am – 12noon.

Services available include:

- Glue ear assessment & management
- Grommet check
- Wax / foreign body removal
- Treatment of discharging ears.

All children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

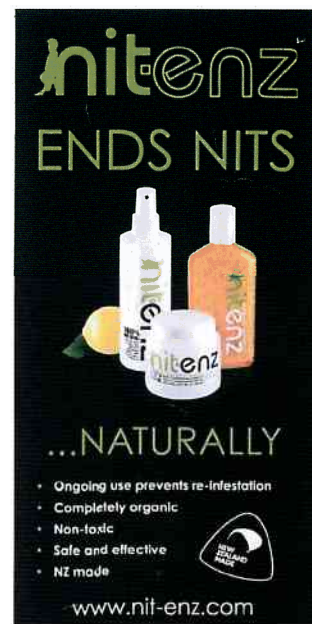
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Wellington Camp

A selection of photos
from Te Papa and the
War Museum

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