



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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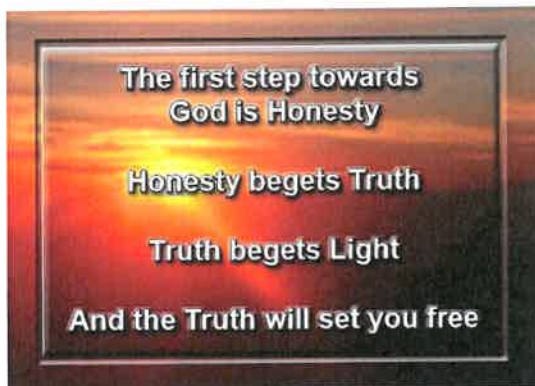
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Thursday 5th May 2016

Principal: Brian Belczacki.
Deputy Principal: Cass Sutton. **Assistant Principal:** Marcus Oxenham.
Director of Religious Studies: Gabrielle Balemi.
Office Staff: Dana Macdonald, Celena O'Donnell.
Bursar: Patty Dudson.
Parish Priest: Fr Joe Stack.
BOT Chairperson: Hayley McConnell.

Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

The Charism for this week is:



Signs of *honesty*.....

- Loyal to their friends
- Know what is right and wrong.
- And always choose what is right.
- Can be trusted.

This Sunday is Ascension Sunday...

Jesus tells his disciples that they will receive the power of the Holy Spirit and that they will spread his message throughout the world. Then on the fortieth day Jesus took the disciples to the Mount of Olives, where they watched Jesus ascend into heaven. This is affirmed by Christians in the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed.



Happy Mother's Day to all of our mums this Sunday – this is YOUR day to be spoilt!



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

TERM DIARY

Wk 1	TERM 2 CH : Honesty
Wk 2	Mathathon Week Mon 9 th May: Prayer Ass @ 8:55am CH: Honesty Thur 12 th May: CIS Touch; 9am-2pm. Fri 13 th May: Team 1 Assembly, 2:30-2:45pm@junior Quad area.
Wk 3	Sun 15 th May : COMMUNITY MASS @ 10:30am Mon 16 th May: Prayer Ass @ 8:55am CH: Respect National Catholic Schools Day Wed 18 th May: SHGC Open Day, 9am-2pm Thur 19 th May: Yr 8 HPV Vaccinations Fri 20 th May: BOT Elections : Nominations close @ 12noon Team Assemblies : T3 @2:15pm, T2 @ 2:20pm
Wk 4	Mon 23 rd May: Young Leaders Day - Rotorua Prayer Ass @ 8:55am CH: Respect Wed 25 th May: HPV YR8 Vaccination Catch up. Fri 27 th May: Team 1 Assembly, 2:30-2:45pm
Wk 5	Mon 30 th May : Prayer Ass @8:55am CH : Excellence Fri 3 rd June : BOT Elections – Election Day Poll closes @ 12noon Team Assemblies : T3 @2:15pm, T2 @ 2:20pm

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

A quote from St Mary of the Cross MacKillop



'May the Sacred Heart shield you and uphold you in every trouble.'
27th June 1873.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop
Pray for us

Welcome to our school...

Fernando Valdes, Isabella Shaw, Finleah & Olive McCall

We hope you enjoy your learning journey at our school



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

**Our next Community Mass
is on
Pentecost Sunday**
ALL ARE WELCOME
Next Sunday 15th May @
10:30am



Winter Uniform Reminder...



Remember, that we have now changed into winter uniform in Term 2 and 3. This usually is 'no hats' but while the sun is still quite high in the

sky we will continue with these. Please ensure 'proper' school shoes are worn, these are to be leather, non-high or low heel for safety.

NO labelled fashion/sport shoes are acceptable. The girls are to wear navy blue (below the knee) socks and the boys are to wear navy socks with maroon stripe.

NEXT WEEK IS 'MATHATHON' WEEK!!!

The purpose of this Mathathon is to increase our children's access and interactions with the Mathletics which is an online tool (therefore available both at school and at home) to aide basic numerical knowledge. All students have been entered into Mathletics with an annual cost of \$20.00 per student. Sponsorship books came home to all students last term so that children could begin to collect sponsors in preparation for the Mathathon **starting 9th May through to 15th May**. There is full information about how this Mathathon will work on the front of the booklet. As with last year's Mathathon, the first \$20.00 raised will go towards your child's \$20.00 Mathletics Fee (if this has not been paid). Money raised after this will go towards purchasing Chromebooks (last year we were able to purchase 5).



Visit by Michael Mangan.

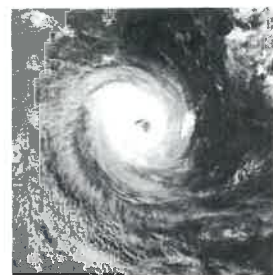
We are very fortunate to have Michael Mangan visit our school on next Wednesday 11th May 2016 to perform a concert for us. Michael lives in Australia and is currently touring NZ Catholic Schools to perform his well known children's sacred songs, many of which we use as part of our masses and assemblies. The concert is at 11am in the church. Parents are welcome to attend.



Fiji Appeal... A huge thank you to all, for your generous donations!!

Our target was to fundraise \$1000.00 to get solar power into Bibi's village. We are very pleased to advise that we can now extend this into two other villages because of the generosity of : our school (raised \$1,839.60), St Pat's Parish (\$700.00), Kawhia Parish (\$135.00), and Pirongia School (\$571.80) – **a grand total of \$3,246.40!**

THANK YOU TO YOU ALL!!!



Enviroschools - Garden Boxes

We would like to establish some garden boxes that could be used by classes to plant vegetables throughout the year. This would give students the opportunity to research planting times, make decisions, monitor growth and harvest the grown product. In order to do this we need help with the following:

- sourcing materials to build the boxes
- assistance in building the boxes (we would like students to be involved in part of this process)
- compost/soil/fill for the boxes
- seeds, seedlings, cuttings from your gardens that we could plant at school.

BYO's'D Update: (BYOSD Model- 'Bring your own standard device' that meets the school's specifications. Please refer to the portal in the Cyclone Website to the models of devices we are wanting students to bring.)

Last term considerable time was spent on continuing to develop our infrastructure to support BYOSD within our school. We are still waiting on MOE technicians to complete their job to connect us to the fibre optic cabling to speed up our internet access. Once completed this will engage our Management System provider N4L to help with the security protocols needed to protect our school system. Our Think Tank team have been working alongside with Cyclone (Computer Education Support Services) with setting up new username and passwords for our students. We are also looking to Cyclone to help to provide professional development for our staff so that when students start bringing devices we will be prepared. So while we are steadily moving closer as a school to providing this new opportunity for our students we are also mindful of the need to ensure we are well equipped to cope with this new initiative. Cyclone have just updated our BYOSD portal in their website <https://www.cyclone.co.nz> to include some more models to choose from and some finance options available to parents. If you have any questions regarding BYOSD please contact : Mr Marcus Oxenham (Assistant Principal). Email : marcus@stpatta.co.nz

Prayer Bags...

This year we have made up "Prayer Bags" for the classes. Each week a child from every room will get to take their class 'Prayer Bag' home for the week as an opportunity for you and your family to participate in sharing a special 'Prayer' time with your child. It is a chance for them to lead and/or guide the Prayer time using the contents of the bag to help them. The bags contain a Bible (appropriate to their age group), some Traditional Prayers, a small white prayer mat, a candle and a small free-standing crucifix. There are no set rules. Your child may want to follow the Prayer routine that they use at school, or they may like to make up their own to suit your family. It may be as simple as reading a Bible story together.



The following are 3 ways in which we especially ask for your support:

1. That you encourage and support your child when it's their turn and endeavour to set aside a special 'family time' to 'make it happen'.
2. That the contents of the bag are treated with respect and properly cared for while in your home and returned to school on the appropriate day to ensure as many children as possible get a turn throughout the rest of the year.
3. That the "Prayer Bags" are received positively into your home and not seen as another 'chore' or 'homework' task. As always, thank you for your help and support to enhance, share, and enjoy the special character of our school with your children. May the peace of Christ be with you and your families. Gabrielle Belami DRS

Sacramental Process...

Confirmation sessions begin this Sunday 8th May 2016 @ 9am. Could those children who didn't hand there books in, and still have them at home, please bring them with you to the session on Sunday.



Children coming to school early... A reminder please that we prefer children not to arrive at school before the 8:15am bell; children are not supervised before this time. If for any unforeseen circumstances your child needs to be here before this time they are restricted to three places to wait. These are on the room 8 deck, room 9-11 deck and outside the junior school resource room until the bell rings. However, we would prefer them NOT to be at school.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at team assemblies. Whole school assembly Friday, 15th April 2016.



TEAM 1 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS		CHARISM AWARDS "Stewardship"
1		Kohan Battensby
2		Marley Rose-Care
3		Elizabeth Songhak
4		James Parsons

TEAM 2 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS		CHARISM AWARDS "Stewardship"
Colgan Learning Hub		Charlotte Mackie
		Max Fielder
		Maureen Tauai

TEAM 3 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS		CHARISM AWARDS "Stewardship"
8		Mackenzie Montague
9		Olivia Bell
10		Dallas Alexander
11		Quinn Wilson

School Accounts Emailed... Thank you for the positive feedback received at the end of last term. The electronic invoicing proved to be successful so I will continue emailing these out end of each month. If you change your email address or do not receive an email, then please contact Patty at the school office to update your email details. **Payment (or part payments) can be made using the internet; bank details are; 12-3134-0048177-00.**

St Patrick's Catholic School BOT. Remember to add the student's name and activities in the reference please. Patty Dudson
Bursar

A big Thank you... To Emma Rawson for nominating our school to receive sports balls from the iSport Foundation. The iSport Foundation was founded by Richie McCaw, Ali Williams and Daniel Carter in 2009 to help 12-18 year old kiwis to achieve their sporting goals, no matter their circumstances by providing grants and crowdfunding, sports gear, leadership and inspiration.

Thanks Emma, we are very grateful..!

FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2016 SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS



Nomination forms will be posted out today to all people on the main electoral roll. If you do not receive your forms, please

contact our returning officer Mrs

Dana Macdonald at: dana@stpatta.co.nz. A reminder that there are 5 parent elected positions on our board and the timeline for the electoral process is set out below:

BOT Elections timeline	
	Nominations are now open
18 May 2016	Supplementary Roll closes at 12 noon
20 May 2016	Nominations close @ 12noon
By 25 May 2016	Voting papers sent out (voting can begin)
03 June 2016	Election Day – poll closes @ 12 noon
09 June 2016	Votes counted – results declared
10 June 2016	New members take office
15 June 2016	First meeting of new board

Our chairperson, Hayley McConnell is available to answer any queries that you may have, her contact details are: Hayley: 021 241 7482 email:

Hayley.mcconnell@vodafone.co.nz

PLEASE CONSIDER STANDING FOR ELECTIONS THIS YEAR.

SPORTS NEWS

Miniball... There will be notices coming home for children interested in playing miniball this term.

COMPETITION NETBALL

COMPETITION DRAW FOR: Saturday 7th May 2016

Team St Pat's.. (v)	Time Court	We thank our Sponsors
B&C Property Tycoons v Ray White Pirongia Strikers	9:00am	
Timmos ITM Tigers v TAI Hotsteppers	11:30am	
Gibson Construction Cobras v TAPS Stormers	12:20pm	
Fahrenheit Flames v TAS Tactics	2:00pm	
Pastoral Realty Panthers v Paterangi Pixels	10:40am	
Daffodils v Pekerau Unity	12:20pm	

The Draw is available:

<http://www.sportsground.co.nz/teawamutunetball/24033/> and the local Courier.

PTA NEWS

SCHOOL LUNCHES.... Lunch Orders will be available in week 2 of Term 2. We urgently need parent helpers to assist with lunches on Friday's from 11am to 12:45pm. If you are able to assist please contact Maree on 027 5336555.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS... came home yesterday to every family. If you do not wish to buy 'your' book, please return to the office in the envelope provided. Thank you.

God bless

Brian Belczacki
Principal

10 WAYS WITH BEANS, LEGUMES AND LENTILS

NUTRITIOUS LEGUMES

Legumes (beans, peas, chickpeas and lentils) are a great source of protein and fibre.

They are a great substitute for meat or filler for any dish!

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EGG-CELLENT EGGS

SCRAMBLED EGGS

A great breakfast, lunch or dinner. Add some veggies to make you GLOW.

- 2 eggs
- 2 Tbsp milk
- Salt & pepper

Beat eggs & milk in a microwave-proof dish. Cover, leaving a small hole for steam. Microwave for approx. 2 mins, stirring regularly. Serve on wholemeal toast.

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ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS



St Patrick's Catholic Church - Te Awamutu

Phone 871 6109

PO Box 191, Te Awamutu

Parish Priest: Fr Joe Stack

Email: parishpriest@stpatta.org.nz

Mass Times

Weekday Masses

Wednesday to Saturday @ 9.15am

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

Sunday 8th May – ASCENSION SUNDAY

(Sat Vigil) 5pm St Patrick's Te Awamutu

Sunday Masses

9:30am St George's Te Kuiti

10:30am St Patrick's Te Awamutu

11:30am Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

Otorohanga



Gospel Reading : 'Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven.'

Lk 24:46-53



Is your child shy? Do they feel intimidated by the idea of public speaking and performance? Do they sometimes find it difficult to

make eye contact? Do they just need 45 minutes a week to take part in organised craziness?! Come and join Marrzipan! We run awesome drama classes which focus on key life skills in the library before school on Mondays! We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term once to parents and once to the school. All scripts are original, engaging, educational and HILARIOUS. All children receive an end of term progress report too, along with a certificate to remind them they are awesome! Give me a call to come along for a free trial, or just a chat to discuss how our classes can benefit your child's development. Contact Jex on 027 217 0693 or email jex@marrzipandrama.co.nz

COMMUNITY NEWS

**Build a great family team
and have fun on the way!**

Toolbox Parenting Groups

Join a Toolbox Parenting Group

Whatever stage you are at a Toolbox group will give you the confidence to be the best parent you can be and have fun on the way

BUILDING AWESOME WHANAU (0-12YRS) DAYTIME COURSE

**Starting Tuesday 10th May 2016
9.30 – 11.30am**

Venue:

**Te Awamutu Primary School
Teasdale Street, Te Awamutu**

For 6 Weeks – Subsidies available

To register or for more info contact

Pat Schwass 07 871 7394 or 0211223803

Email: pschwass@xtra.co.nz

Or Lesley Egglestone 0273866670



OTAGO CHALLENGE...

5. The numbers from 1 to 10 are arranged in a triangular fashion.
One such arrangement is shown.

10
8 9
1 2 3
4 5 6 7

If they are arranged so that the sum of the numbers along each side of the triangle is the same and as small as possible, what is that sum?

First parent to email their correct answer and working out to marcus@stpatta.co.nz will win a Crunchie Bar,

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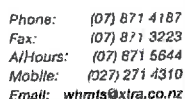
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