



# St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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**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,*

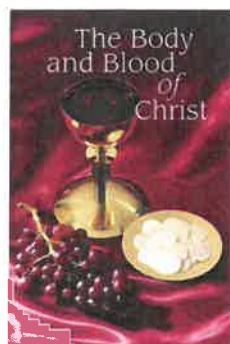
The Charism for this week is: **RESPECT**



Signs of **respect**....

- Show everyone respect.
- Use good manners and language.
- Be considerate of feelings.
- NEVER bully, hit, or hurt others.

**The Feast of Corpus Christi...**



The Feast of Corpus Christi (Latin for Body of Christ), also known as Corpus Domini, is a Latin Rite liturgical solemnity celebrating the tradition and belief in the body and blood of Jesus Christ and his Real Presence in the Eucharist.



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## TERM DIARY

<b>Wk 4</b>	Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> May: Class Mass @ 9:15am R1-2. Team 1 Assembly, 2:30-2:45pm
<b>Wk 5</b>	Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> May: Prayer Ass @ 8:55am CH : Excellence Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> June : School Mass @ 9:15am (Feast : Sacred Heart) Team Assemblies : T3 @ 2:15pm, T2 @ 2:20pm
<b>Wk 6</b>	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> June: Queen's Birthday – <b>School is closed</b> Tue 7 <sup>th</sup> June: Prayer Ass @ 8:55am CH: Excellence Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> June : Class Mass @ 9:15am - FLE Team 1 Assembly @ 2:30pm
<b>Wk 7</b>	Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> June: Prayer Ass@8:55am CH: Excellence ICAS Writing Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> June: ICAS Spelling BOT Meeting 6pm Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> June: Class Mass @ 9:15am R8-9. Team 3 (Snr)Assembly @ 2:15-2:45pm Team 2 (FLE)Assembly @ 2:20-2:45pm after singing

Please check the online version of the school calendar by following the link: [http://www.stpatta.co.nz/1/embedded\\_items/1-school-calendar](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

'God's mercies are greater than all my own unworthiness and unfitness.'

27<sup>th</sup> May 1867.

**St Mary of the Cross MacKillop**

**Pray for us**



## Welcome to our school...

Lennox Priscott, Hunter Smith  
**We hope you enjoy your learning journey at our school.**

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

## **Principal / DRS Conference - Rotorua**

Gabrielle and myself were very fortunate to attend this Conference in Rotorua last week. Bishop Steve opened the Conference with the message that we are a **CATHOLIC** schools before anything else and that our role, (that's all of us – teachers, parents, parish community), is to be living examples, so as to bring our tamariki into a relationship with Jesus not only by what we teach but, primarily, by who we are.

Fr Richard Leonard SJ was the keynote speaker who continued very much with this theme interspersed with a range of Irish jokes that always had an underlying message. Lyn Smith (who the RE advisor in the Auckland Diocese) spent part of the next day talking about Social Justice while Fr Peter Murphy led workshops about Mediation for school aged children.

## **National Young Leaders Day...N.Y.L.D**

National young leader's day

Which was held on the 23rd of May,

2016 was an inspiration,

2017 is classified information.

Boxers,

Dancers,

Poets and presenters,

They were all there,

There was even someone 'rapping' about her hair.

We got to Rotorua,

It started to smell,

Then we realised it was coming from the ground.

Brylee Mills was our favourite,

She was in a car accident and got her arm amputated,

Avalanche City started to sing,

Playin' his guitar like nobody's seen,

When he stopped singing the crowd started leaving.

So that's how I spent the 23rd of May,

At N.Y.L.D national young leaders,

So follow your dreams and be inspired,

At the end of the day I was really tired.

Word.

*(This is a spoken word poem/rap, it's designed to be read out loud to a beat).*

By Adam Chapman and Hannah Kendrick

## **Sport Leader's Report – May 2016...**

Hi our names are Aidan and Jacob. We are the Sports Leaders for 2016. So far to date we have organised House Cricket in Term 1 and we are planning more term sports including an Inter House Rippa Rugby Tournament for Term 2.

Mr Oxenham has talked to us about looking at some new giant games for PAL leaders to get use out in the playground such as chess, giant checkers etc. So we are currently writing a letter to the PTA to see if it's something they are interested in fundraising for. We have also started the PAL roster for 2016 and there were a lot of names put forward which is great to see.

We have helped Mr Oxenham to reorganise our Sports Shed and have helped to issue sports gear out to classrooms. We have asked the Sports Committee to consider more different sports events like Triathlon or Mountain biking in the future.

By Aidan Greenhalgh and Jacob Chapman.

## **'MATHATHON' UPDATE!!!**

Thank you to those students who participated in the Mathathon last week. If students have collected sponsors and worked to earn their points last week they can now start to bring this to school.



**Scholastics Lucky Book Club...** Last day for orders are Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2016.

**Lost Property...** Oliver Buckle has lost his P.E Top and Shorts. Please check that your child has not taken these by mistake. There has been an increase in students taking shoes, socks and other items of clothing that do not belong to them. Please ensure your child takes care of their own school uniforms and remember to check the names to ensure they are taking the correct items and not someone else's. Teachers are not able to search for lost property; this is the parents and student responsibility.

## **Is the wet weather here to stay?**

After such a great summer we are into a big wet!!!

We are noticing that many children do not have coats, jackets and are getting pretty wet walking home or waiting for parents to arrive. The quickest way for children to become unwell is when they get cold...

**A plea for indoor games...** If you have any used indoor games that you wish to donate to the school, please send them along to the office.

**Measles...** As you may or may not be aware, the Waikato is one of the regions where there has been outbreaks of this highly infectious disease. Two schools (not in TA, as at 17<sup>th</sup> May) have been affected with outbreaks and isolation measures have had to be put in place. Population Health (Waikato DHB) advise the following actions:

1. Ensure that your is up to date with their immunisations.
2. Locate your child's immunisation records, either in a Well Child (plunket) book, or from the GP. This information may be required if there is a case of measles at our school in the future.

**Nothing Naughty Bars...** Ordering again for nothing naughty bars these are proving very popular for lunchboxes or snacks. Orders will be taken up to Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June for delivery the following week.

## ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at team assemblies. Team 1 assembly Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May, Team 2 & 3 Assembly Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2016.



### TEAM 1 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS		CHARISM AWARDS "Honesty"
1	Elijah Driver	Betsy McDaid
	Chelsea Young	
2	Aaron Holmes	Alexandra Cullen
	Isabella Shaw	
3	Liam Caddy	Jacob Carr
	Felicia Cuthers	
4	Brooke McKeany	Paetyn Hansen
	Olive McCall	

### TEAM 2 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS		CHARISM AWARDS "Honesty"
Colgan Learning Hub	Felix Johnson	Luke Chapman
	Fernando Valdes	
	Zander Shrimpton	Rory Kendrick
	Kaelyn Strawbridge	
	Jamie Frost	Ruby Murtagh-Silvester
	Aidan Battensby	

### TEAM 3 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS		CHARISM AWARDS "Honesty"
8	Zarian Growe-Lolesi	Seth Olsen
	Sienna Sanders	
	Miguel Chaitika	
9	Jorja Underhill	Mia Ellis
	Eden Sterritt	
10	Michael Parsons	Kahurangi Tamaki-Woolly
	Jonnee Harris	
11	Adam Chapman	Sam McQuilkin
	Courtney Burgoyne-Thomas	

## FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### Declaration of Parent Election Results...

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

- GOWER, Marcus
- KENDRICK, Lorraine
- McFARLANE, Sarah
- SMITH, Mark
- SPIERS, Michael
- GRAHAM, Judy (Staff Rep)



Dana Macdonald  
Returning Officer

Dear School Community,

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and school community I wish to extend a hearty congratulations to our successful parent nominees for their appointment to the St Patrick's Catholic School Board of Trustees.

Congratulations goes to Mike Spiers, Marcus Gower Sarah McFarlane, Mark Smith and Lorraine Kendrick. With the new Board taking office on the 27<sup>th</sup> May we will of course be saying farewell to our departing board members of John Cooper, Belinda Overdevest, Alice Gower and Kyle Owens and myself.

On a personal note I can state that it has been a privilege to have been part of a committed and loyal team and I wish the new Board the very best for a successful year(s) ahead.

Lastly, in the next month an evening will be planned to introduce the new board and farewell those leaving, so I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at this event.

Kind Regards  
Hayley McConnell  
Board Chair.

## PTA NEWS

### PITA PIT LUNCH ORDERS FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2016...

Order forms will be available Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

**SCHOOL LUNCHESES....**We urgently need parent helpers to assist with lunches on Fridays from 11am to 12.45pm.

If you are able to provide assistance please contact Maree on 027 5336555.





## SPORTS NEWS

### Abbie's Columbia update...





Well we are in Medellin, Colombia, and it is so hot. I have been doing some training at cool bmx tracks in the mountains which has been amazing. It was our first BMX Worlds practice day on Monday. It is an awesome track and lots of riders. It was really cool being able to practice in my NZ race gear. I race on



Thursday 26th May (Friday NZ Time) and I can't wait. I have met some really friendly people. Lots of the locals are really fascinated with my blonde hair and blue eyes which has been strange at times when they want to touch my hair! Missing everyone from St Patricks! Abbie Osborn (World Champs, Columbia) **GOOD LUCK ABBIE...!**

## COMPETITION NETBALL

### COMPETITION DRAW FOR: Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Team St Pat's... (v)	Time Court	We thank our Sponsors
B&C Property Tycoons v TAPS Marvels	11:30am C7	
Timmos ITM Tigers v TAS Heat	1:10pm C4	
Gibson Construction Cobras v TAPS Wildcats	9:00am C6	
Fahrenheit Flames v Ray White Pirongia Juniors	9:00am C4	
Pastoral Realty Panthers v Ray White Pirongia Comets	9:00am C7	
Daffodils v TAPS Superstars	9:50am C8	

God bless

Brian Belczacki  
Principal

## ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

### St Patrick's Catholic Church - Te Awamutu

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### Mass Times

#### Weekday Masses

Wednesday to Saturday @ 9.15am

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

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May – The Feast of Corpus Christi**  
(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:** 'Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.' Lk 9:11-17.

## COMMUNITY NEWS



### TE AWAMUTU RUGBY SUB UNION YEAR 5 & YEAR 6 REP RUGBY TRIALS

**YEAR 5 - Sunday June 19th - TA Sports Albert Park**  
Registrations start 8.30am sharp to 9.00am  
Queries to : [tayear5reps@gmail.com](mailto:tayear5reps@gmail.com)

**YEAR 6 - Sunday 12th - TA Marist, Castleton Park, Park Road**  
Registrations start 8.30am sharp to 9.00am  
Queries to: [tayear6@yahoo.com](mailto:tayear6@yahoo.com)

#### Open weight grade

Registration forms available on the day or from your club coaches.  
Bring: Shorts/socks, mouthguard, light snack, drink, boots, warm clothes.

THANK YOU FROM: THE TE AWAMUTU SUB UNION

## Otago Maths Challenge Problem 2

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Here is your chance to win yourself a Crunchie Bar again. Complete the maths problem below and email both your answer and working out to:

[marcus@stpatta.co.nz](mailto:marcus@stpatta.co.nz)

A winner will be announced in next week's newsletter.

Jenny, Katie and Lelei each had some sweets. Katie had 8 and Lelei had 14.

Jenny gave one-half of her sweets to Katie. Then Katie gave one-half of her total number of sweets to Lelei. Then Lelei gave one-half of her total number of sweets to Jenny. If Jenny ended up with the same number of sweets as she had at the start, how many was that?

nothing  
naughty

Room:

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