



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

Welcome back to school for another busy term!

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

No act of kindness,
no matter how small,
is ever wasted.
- Aesop

Kindness and caring...two very simple words, but two actions that can change your world and the world around you. They are qualities that, when you practice them, bring happiness not only to others but back to you as well.

Every day we have many choices to make in the way we treat other people and things. These little choices add up to big things. They define who we are as a person and our impact on the world.

Community Mass

This Sunday 11th September at 10:30am.
This mass will have a social justice theme,
please bring a non-perishable item.

TEAM 2 AND 3 ASSEMBLIES
TOMORROW @ 2:15-2:45pm



Welcome to our school...

Luis Frost

We hope you enjoy your learning journey at our school.

(Apologies to Luis Frost for misspelling his name in last week's newsletter.)



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To find us following the link...

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

TERM DIARY

Wk 7	Mon 5 th Sept: Prayer Ass @ 8:55am CH: Kindness NZ AIMS Games in Tauranga – All week Thurs 8 th Sept: Yr 8 HPV Vaccinations Yr 7/8 Technology @ TAI Fri 9 th Sept: Team 2 and 3 Assemblies @ 2:15-2:45pm Sun 11th Sept: Community Mass – Social Justice 10:30-11:30am
Wk 8	Mon 12 th Sept: Prayer Ass @ 8:55am CH: Kindness Tues 13 th Sept: Yr 8 HPV Vaccination Catch up Weds 14 th Sept: BOT Mtg @ 6pm Thurs 15 th Sept: Yr 7/8 Technology @ TAI Yr 6 transition Evening; 5:30-6:30pm Fri 16 th Sept: Class Mass Rm10 & 11 @ 9:15-10:15am Team 1 Assembly 2:30pm-2:45pm
Wk 9	Mon 19 th Sep: Prayer Ass @ 8:55am CH: Kindness Tue 20 th Sep: School Production - Matinee @ 12:45pm, - Evening Show @ 7pm Wed 21 st Sep: School Production – Evening Show @ 7pm Thur 22 nd Sep: Yr 7/8 Technology @ TAI Fri 23 rd Sep: LAST DAY OF TERM THREE
HOLIDAYS 24th September – 7th October 2016	
T4 Week 1	Mon 10 th Oct: Prayer Ass @ 8:55am CH: Respect Tues 11 th Oct: Regeneration Retreat Yr7&8, 8.30am-2pm @ Cathedral of the blessed virgin Mary, Hamilton. Sports Academy RM10&11, 11.30am-12.30pm. Thurs 13 th Oct: Yr 7/8 Technology @ TAI St Pats Ag Day 10am-2pm

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

'Seek to please God.' 8.6.1868

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Pray for us



NZEI & PPTA Paid Union Meeting.

REMINDER this is next **Monday 12th September.**

Teachers will be in classrooms from 12noon.

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

Thanks to all parents who have responded and returned forms indicating if your child will be at school or home.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION 2016...



The bi-ennial school production '*Pinecone the Musical*' will be in Week 9 (last week of term).

The sessions are:

Tuesday 20th September

Matinee @ 12:45pm

Evening Show @ 7pm

Wednesday 21st September

Evening Show @ 7pm

Tickets will go on sale on Friday 9th September

Prices:

Individual Tickets: \$8.00

Family Pass:

2 adults/2children (+2years-in a seat, primary/intermediate school aged – not attending our school) \$28.00

Under 2 years free (no seat)

Koha from schools 2.00/child = 100 students

Inquiry week last week...Our Year 7&8's were involved in an inquiry week last week, where students have been involved in: a sports camp at Totara Springs, an equestrian / outdoor group, and an IT group.

Sports Camp Achievements...Congratulations to our year 7&8 students that attended sports camp last week and bringing home 6 trophies! St Patrick's School are winners in: Netball, Girls Volleyball, Pentanque, Wall Ball, Archery, Shooting and Runners up in: Soccer, Croquet, Boys Table Tennis, Tennis, Cross Country, Quality Living.

What a fantastic effort, we are so proud of you all.

TA Schools Kapahaka Festival. Our school Kapahaka Group participated in last week's festival and were awarded the Roopu Rua Wai Trophy.

Well done St Pats!!

NZAIMS Games Tauranga...We will do a full report on this next week so watch this space.

Scholastic Lucky Book Club...Issue 6 is due back at school tomorrow Friday 9th September. SORRY NO LATE ORDERS!!

Pastoral Care – Meals Needed the freezer is getting empty!... It's that time of year again when we are asking for people to cook up some meals

that can be frozen and then given out to families in need or crisis.

There is frozen meat in the freezer, so all you need to do is come into the school office, pick up some meat, cook it up into a tasty meal, place the meal in an ice-cream container, label what it is and the date prepared, and return it to school (frozen would be great).

Introducing our new Board Members...



Back row; Mark Smith, Michael Spiers, Marcus Gower, Brian Belczacki (Principal).

Front row; Sarah McFarlane, Ruth Dolan, Haley Fielder, Judy Graham (Staff Rep), Lorraine Kendrick (Chairperson), Patsy Dickens (Secretary) – Absent from the picture are: Fr Joe Stack and Toni Van der Hulst.

Mike Spiers...

Hi, I'd like to introduce myself as a new member of St Patricks Board of Trustees.

I am born and bred from Te Awamutu, attending Paterangi School then onto secondary school at Te Awamutu College.

My tertiary education was at Massey University, Palmerston North, where I attained a Bachelor of Applied Science, Majoring in Rural Valuation and Management.

After University I travelled extensively before returning to New Zealand in 2004 to get a reality check and become a dairy farmer.

My wife and I have 2 children attending St Patricks School and both are in the new Colgan Learning Hub. I've always been interested in how our school operates and are looking forward to help try to streamline and improve it. I feel Communication to our parents is of high priority to ensure they are receiving the correct information. Our main role as Board of Trustees is to ensure that every student reaches their true potential in a safe and happy environment.

I believe I have an excellent work ethic with a desire for excellence. It is important that the whole school, (Administrators, Students, Teachers and Parents), all buy into the vision of the school and increase the schools 'PRIDE'.

The new Board have already been busy understanding every aspect of how the School runs. We are all passionate about making a difference and providing a positive, enjoyable environment for everyone associated with the school.

I'm approachable and happy to chat with anyone that needs an ear to listen.

Mike Spiers.

Agricultural Day Information & entry

forms... Please have your entry forms in to the office by the end of term in preparation for next Term Thursday 18th September.

Ag Information Day - Tuesday 13th September

This day is for judges and interested PARENTS!

This is an excellent day to learn more about what the judges are looking for with your calf; lamb or kid (goat) and we also need HELPERS for the morning tea. St. Patrick's is running Group Day for 2016 and we are responsible for organising morning tea and making cups of tea. All hands on deck from 9.30 with making cups of tea and the information part will start at 10.30. If you are able to help or need more information please email michelle@stpatta.co.nz.

SPORTS NEWS

Term 4 Touch YR 3&4, 5&6, 7&8... Forms have gone home to the students that have listed their interest in preparation for next Term. If your child wants to play but did not express their interest or receive a registration form then they are available from the school office.

Term 4 Touch Registration forms must be returned to the school office by next **Wednesday 14th September.**

Netball Prize-giving... Congratulations to the following students who received Most Improved Player and Most Valuable Player in their teams and the overall winners.

Fahrenheit Flames

MIP: Kate Overdevest

MVP: Hannah Kendrick

Timmos ITM Tigers

MIP: Emma Field

MVP: Lily Claydon

Gibson Construction Cobras

MIP: Olivia Krippner

MVP: Sienna Sanders

Pastoral Realty Panthers

MIP: Michaela Sweeney

MVP: Georgia Kendrick

B&C Property Management Tycoons

MIP: Jasmeen Kaur

MVP: Sienna Overwater

Daffodils

MIP: Imogen Russ

MVP: Olivia Wrathall

Overall Winners

Atkinson Team Spirit Cup: St Pats Daffodils

Hayley McConnell Consulting Sportsmanship Cup:

Danielle King

The Cooper Family Most Promising Player Cup:

Keana Shum

God Bless

Brian Belczacki
Principal

ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

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Mass Times

Sunday 11th September 2016

24th Sunday in Ordinary time

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

Sunday Masses

9:30am St George's Te Kuiti

PARISH COMMUNITY MASS

10:30am St Patrick's Te Awamutu

11:30am Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Otorohanga

Weekday Masses

Monday @ 7:15am

Tuesday @ 7:15am

Wednesday to Saturday @ 9.15am

Holy Hour: after 9:15am Mass each Friday

with Benediction around 10:30am

Sunday's Gospel Reading: 'I have found my sheep that was lost.'
Lk 15:1-32

GO, GROW, GLOW!

PEANUT BUTTER BALLS

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1 ½ cup nuts 1 ½ cup dates
¼ cup coconut 2 Tbsp peanut butter

Soak dates in hot water for 5mins.

Drain water and keep separately.

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