



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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BOT Chairperson: Lorraine Kendrick

Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

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



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 practise 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.



Our Prayers and thoughts go out to Terina Otene-Karaitiana and her family with the recent passing of her dad.



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TERM DIARY

Wk 9	Fri 23 rd Sep: LAST DAY OF TERM THREE Whole School Mass @ 9:15am Whole School Assembly @ 2pm
HOLIDAYS 24th September – 7th October 2016	
T4	----- OCTOBER MONTH OF THE ROSARY -----
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. Thurs 13 th Oct: Yr 7/8 Technology @ TAI St Pats Ag Day 10am-2pm
Wk 2	Mon 17 th Oct: Prayer Ass @ 8:55am CH: Respect Tues 18 th Oct: Sports Academy RM10&11, 11:30-12:30pm. Wed 19 th Oct: Ag Group Day @ Kihikihi Domain, 10am-3pm Sports Academy RM10&11, 2:15-2:45pm Thur 20 th Oct: Yr 7/8 Technology @ TAI Fri 21 st Oct: Grandparent's Day Team 1 Assembly
Wk 3	Mon 24 th Oct: LABOUR DAY - NO SCHOOL TODAY

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

'Near the Sacred Heart we are strong and without fear.' 21.2.1870

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Pray for us



**TOMORROW IS THE
LAST DAY OF TERM 3**

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

Letter – Population Health.

There is a letter enclosed with this newsletter from 'Population Health' – Waikato DHB explaining that a child in our community has, last night, been admitted to hospital with suspected meningococcal disease.

The school sought the advice from our Health Nurse and then from Population Health/Waikato DHB who have responded by advising us in the enclosed letter that there is no immediate risk to our school population but raises our awareness of the signs and symptoms to be aware of.

Our prayers and support go out to the family at this time...

What a fabulous turnout for all our showings of Pinecone and what a wonderful production it was. We received positive feedback from many people so well done to all involved and those who supported our school by attending.

Job well done to everyone...!!



MUFTI DAY – 'BLACK OUT' DAY. Thanks to all those who supported our students by participating on the day. The funds (\$330.00) raised from this mufti day were presented to them at last Monday's Prayer assembly. *Have fun in Australia and show 'em what ya made of....!*

ADVANCED NOTICE Book your Diary...

Calling All Grandparents to....

Grandparent's Day on Friday 21st October (Friday before Labour Weekend).

MARAE STAYOVER WEEK @ Whakamarama Marae.

Our school will be visiting this Marae during the week of **14th – 18th November (Week 6).**

We will be seeking parent help, especially to stayover, so please look out for further information in Thursday's newsletter and more detailed organisation coming home early next term!

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 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.*

Toni Van Der Hulst...Hi, my name is Toni van der Hulst and I am appointed to the BOT as a representative of the Bishop. I have just begun my third appointment to the BOT.

I have had a long association with St Patrick Catholic School and Parish Community, starting back in 1990 when the first three of our six children began attending school here. The last, Frances leaving as I came onto the BOT and I also have a grandson starting here this year!! Catholic Education and the parish community have been an extension of our family and family values, and my goal on the BOT is to maintain and enhance that, for the future children of St Patrick's by maintaining high standards of student achievement in an environment that fosters and enhances that - spiritually, physically, emotionally and practically.

Along with my husband John we live and work on 14 acres at Waikeria, rearing calves commercially for 6 months of the year and visiting children spread over NZ and Aussie in our time off. We also have a bus, which we enjoy getting away in.

School Agricultural Day... Thursday 13th

October. A reminder to all students attending Ag Day, the final event of the day is Fancy Dress. You have all the holidays to come up with a fancy dress for you and your pet.

Enjoy the time you have over the next two weeks building that special relationship your animal.

ALL PARENTS!!

CALLING ALL POTENTIAL PTA MEMBERS

A group of parents is needed to run a food stall at Group Day on Wednesday 19th October. We need parents who do not have children or animals involved in Group Day. This is a great opportunity to get involved and help raise much needed money for PTA projects. Email michelle@stpatta.co.nz to help.



REMINDER OF AG DATES in Term 4

- * **St Patrick's Ag Day** will be held at school on **Thursday 13th October (Week 1, Term 4)**
- * **Group Day** will be held at Kihikihi Domain – **Wednesday 19th October (Week 2 Term 4)**
- * **Waikato Show** held at Claudelands Showgrounds - **Friday 28th October (Week 3, Term 4)**

We need help with:

- Manning the entry desk
- Making cups of tea and providing morning tea for the judges

- Stewarding in ring (as we are organising Group Day, we can assign appropriate rings)

Please email michelle@stpatta.co.nz by TOMORROW, so the number of helpers is confirmed before the holidays.

PTA NEWS

LUNCHES AS USUAL

We are now looking for someone to volunteer their time to collate and sort school lunch orders on a Thursday evening. If you are able to assist please contact Maree. We URGENTLY need parent help. **Please contact Maree on 027 5336555.**

SPORTS NEWS

Waikato Full Primary Schools Cross-

Country... On the 13th September Gemma and Alana went to the Waikato Full Primary Schools Cross-Country Day at Te Aroha. It was a good day with the great results. Alana came 6th / 65 and Gemma came 34th / 80. The track was 3.2km but the year 8's ran 3.8km. It was really enjoyable and a fun day. The day went very fast but everyone showed great sportsmanship and did their best.

By Alana and Gemma.

Waikato Regional Gymsports Festival...

Four of our students were invited to participate at this year's Waikato Regional Gymsports Festival in Hamilton yesterday Wednesday 21st September. Hannah Parsons, Jennifer Oliver, Madison and Joshua Chisholm participated in this festival with Joshua placing 1st in Mat and vault and 3rd in floor routine and 1st equal overall. Madison placed 5th equal overall also competing in floor, vault and beam. **Well done to all four of our students...**



God bless

Brian Belczacki
Principal

ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

St Patrick's Catholic Church - Te Awamutu

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Mass Times

Sunday 25th September 2016

26th Sunday in Ordinary time

(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

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: *If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead...* Lk 16:19-31

COMMUNITY NEWS



MAD COW DRUMS - DRUMS,



GUITAR AND "NOW" UKULELE TUITION.

Mad Cow Drums are pleased to make the following offering to students of Puahue School who want to learn to play drums, guitar or ukulele in Term 4 of 2016!

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

Please feel free to contact Glenn on 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 but you will need a guitar. Do email us if you need help with this!

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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22 September 2016

Dear Parent or Guardian

I am writing to inform you that a child from the school has been admitted to hospital with probable meningococcal disease. No further action is necessary at the present time. There is no reason to make any change in the school routine and no reason for children to be kept at home. Student contact with each other in school is NOT commonly a risk for the spread of meningococcal disease.

Meningococcal bacteria are carried in the back of the throat of about one in ten people at any one time but only very rarely cause illness. Most people who carry the bacteria become immune to them. The bacteria do not spread easily and those who have had prolonged, close contact with the person are at a slightly greater risk of getting ill. These people have been identified and given antibiotics to stop the bacteria spreading.

Although the risk of another case in the school very small, it is sensible to be aware of the signs and symptoms

Meningitis	Septicaemia (blood poisoning)
Fever	Fever
Vomiting	Vomiting
Severe Headache	Bruising / Rash
Stiff Neck	Rapid Breathing
Dislike of bright light	Joint/Muscle Pain
Seizures	Cold Hands and Feet
Confusion/delirium	Confusion/delirium
Extreme sleepiness / difficulty waking	Extreme sleepiness / difficulty waking

Not all of these signs and symptoms may show at once, but someone with this illness will become very ill. The illness may progress over one or two days. **But it can develop very rapidly**, sometimes in a matter of hours.

Diagnosis in the early stages can be difficult. The early signs can be like bad 'flu' symptoms but be watchful and use your instincts. If someone becomes ill with some of these signs or symptoms, contact the doctor urgently and ask for advice.

If your child is unwell and you are in doubt please seek medical advice.

Trust your instincts. If you suspect meningitis or septicaemia, get medical help immediately.

Yours sincerely



Dr Richard Wall
Medical Officer of Health
Population Health, Waikato District Health Board

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