



# St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October**  
**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:** Lorraine Kendrick

*Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,*

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



1. Treat others the way you want to be treated.
2. Show kindness and consideration.
3. Like yourself enough to be yourself.
4. Accepting others for who they are.

**Welcome back to Term 4...** We would like to congratulate our principal Brian Belczacki on receiving his Master of Educational Leadership which he was awarded in Sydney during the Term 3 school holidays.



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

## TERM DIARY

<b>Wk 2</b>	Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct: Prayer Ass @ 8:55am CH: Respect Sexuality Education Evening-Team 3, 5:30-6:30pm, in Staffroom. Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct: Ag Group Day @ Kihikihi Domain, 10am-3pm Sports Academy RM10&11, 2:15-2:45pm Thur 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct: Yr 7/8 Technology @ TAI Altrusa Book Awards Evening, 5:30-6:30pm@TAI Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct: Grandparent's Day Team 1 Assembly @ 2:30-2:45pm
<b>Wk 3</b>	Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct: <b>LABOUR DAY - NO SCHOOL TODAY</b> Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> Oct: BOT Meeting, 6-8:00pm, School Staffroom. Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct: Waikato Show, 10am-3pm@Claudlands Showground Team 3 Assembly 2:15-2:45pm Team 2 Assembly 2:20-2:45pm
<b>Wk 4</b>	Mon 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct: Prayer Ass @ 8:55am CH: Justice Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov: Feast of ALL SAINTS Whole School Mass@9:15-10:15am Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov: Feast of ALL SOULS Senior School Mass @ 9:15-10:15am Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov: Hui Katorika @ 9:45am-2:30pm, Marian School. Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov: Team 1 Assembly @ 2:30-2:45pm

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 is good.' 8.1.1872

**St Mary of the Cross MacKillop**

Pray for us

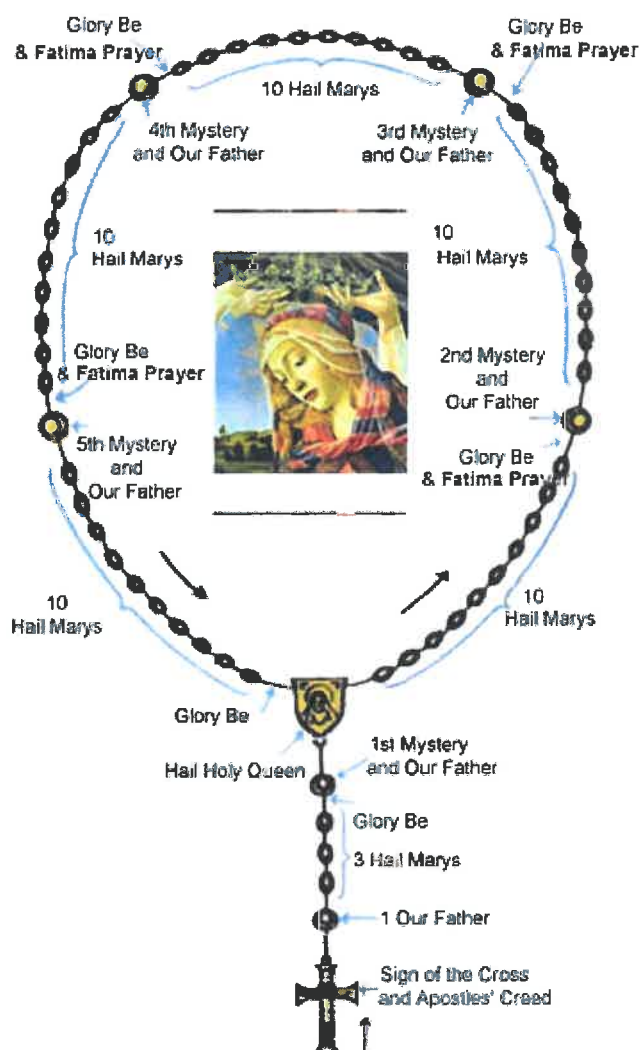


## **Welcome to our school...**

Isabel Van Oers, Matthew Green,  
Abbey and Aimee Jensen

**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'.



### Learn about the Luminous Mysteries

The Luminous Mysteries begin with the **baptism of Jesus** in the Jordan River by John the Baptist. From then on, Jesus began to do great things. In the Second Luminous Mystery we go to Cana in Galilee, where **Jesus turned water into wine** so that the people could have a good time. Mary said "Do whatever Jesus tells you." The Third Luminous Mystery calls us to **go with Jesus through the towns and cities of his own country**. The light of his love shone on everyone he met, especially the poor and the sick and those that others looked down on. On one of those journeys, Jesus led his friends up a high mountain. They saw him shining in light, and he promised they would share his light too. This mystery is called **the Transfiguration**. Just before he died, Jesus had supper with his friends and he gave himself to them in bread and wine. **"This is my body," he said. "This is my Blood."** In the Fifth Luminous Mystery we remember the **Holy Eucharist**. How wonderful to follow Jesus in the Luminous Mysteries. We were baptized too, and God wants us to do great things. We can bring joy to people, like Jesus did, especially to those that others look down on. This is a beautiful world where we live. Let's always see it lighted up with the beauty God gave it. Finally, let's always go to supper with Jesus and receive him in the signs of the Eucharist. The Luminous Mysteries remind us to follow Jesus, the light of the world.

*Pray the Luminous Mysteries*

### 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.

**Ruth Dolan...** Hi, my name is Ruth Dolan. I was appointed to the Board as a Proprietor's representative in December 2014.

My husband, Shane, and I have lived in Te Awamutu for 18 years, but we both hail from the depths of the South. We have three sons, Jake, Rohan and Michael, who are in Year 9 at St John's College.

My background is in health administration, but for the last four years I have worked for the local council, supporting the Group Manager of Service Delivery. Together with my fellow Proprietor's reps, we hope to focus on improving connections between the school, parish and the wider Te Awamutu community, and hope that you will assist us with this.

**Senior Regeneration Retreat...** On Tuesday all our Year 7 and 8 students joined 16 others schools in Regeneration 16. The day started at the Cathedral in Hamilton, with Mass lead by Bishop Steve. Mass was followed by a rock concert, skits and an inter school quiz. Ngarini was amazing as a cat!



**Book your Diary...Calling All Grandparents to....** Grandparent's Day on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October (Friday before Labour Weekend). Grandparents Day will start with Mass at 9.15am followed by morning tea and grandparents will then be invited to visit the classrooms. You are welcome to bring a lunch to share hot drinks will be available. Please RSVP by completing the blue slip provided and return to the school office by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October.

**MARAE STAYOVER WEEK @ Whakamarama Marae.**

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

We will be seeking parent help, especially to stayover, and prepare/cook meals so please look out for further information in Thursday's newsletter and more detailed organisation coming home soon!

**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)**

To all families, it would be appreciated if you could please bring a plate of food to school on the Tuesday afternoon..

**Photolife Cultural/Team Envelopes...** These were sent home yesterday for students that participated in sporting events in Term 2 and would like Team photos. Please refer to the insert included with this newsletter for further information.

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD...

Time to fill the shoeboxes again!  
Each year all classes are asked to fill up shoeboxes with small gifts suitable for boys and girls. The boxes are sent to children in the Pacific Islands. We have until the 29th October. Please see the insert in this Newsletter giving ideas of what gifts to provide. As always, we thank you for your generosity!



**Lost Property...** Missing since school production matinee - school jersey named Seth S / Gunn. Please return to FLE Blue.

### 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

**Touch...** The junior Touch Module is now underway, thank you to all the parent coaches/Managers and senior student referees for giving your time to help out. **We really appreciate your assistance..!**

**Miniball...** The miniball season has arrived and expressions of interest for YR1-YR8 went out to classrooms this week. Registration forms will be available at the office if your child has not already put their name forward.

God bless

*C. M. Sutton*

Cass Sutton  
Deputy Principal

## 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](mailto:parishpriest@stpatta.org.nz)



#### Mass Times

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2016**

**29<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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.

**Supported by: P.R Thompson Contracting Ltd.**

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*(Please return by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October)*

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## **Sports News**

I wish to thank all parents and caregivers for their support during Term 2. The success we had across a wide range of cultural and sporting events during Term 2 was in part due to all the hard work put in by participants, coaches, managers and parents. Thank you all so much for your contributions.

### **Cultural and Sports Photos -17<sup>th</sup> October, Monday, Week Two.**

Please find enclosed the timetable for the following cultural and sport teams. It would be great to have coaches and managers here for this day, if you are available attend. Teams need to be dressed by 10:30am either in team kit or school PE uniform.

#### **Timetable**

11:30pm-CIS Rugby

11:35- CIS Netball Yr 7

11:40- CIS Netball Yr 8

11:45- CIS Soccer

11:50 CIS Swimming Yr 7&8

11:55-CIS Swimming Yr 5&6

12:00- Waimaths

12:05pm- WFPAS Swimming

12:10 –WFPAS Cross Country

12:15-Kapa Haka

12:20- Waikato GymFest Y4-6 Teams

12:25- Waikato Gym Fest Team Y7-8

12:30- Waikato Indoor Bowls

#### **Lunch-**

1:30pm NZAIMS Squad 2016

1:35pm - Leaders

1:40pm - Badge Leaders

1:45pm - PAL

1:50pm -Student Council

1:55pm - Young Vinnies

2:00pm - Waikato Chess Team

**Sports Meeting - Week 3, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October at 5:30pm in the staffroom.**

**Agenda:**

1. Formation of Sports Committee
2. Review of EOTC guidelines, COC guidelines for 2017
3. Sports Parent Survey
4. Planning ahead into Term 4 and 2017.

**CFLE Programme (Christian Family Life Education Programme)**

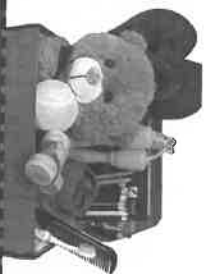
The Parent Information Evening will be held on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> October at 5:30pm in Room 11.

This programme will now run in Rm 8, 9, 10 and 11 **only** for 2016. Our Year 4 pupils in the Colgan Hub will be delivered their key health concepts through the Life Education Trust Programme beginning Week 6-14<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> November.

Just a reminder to parents in Rm 8,9,10 and 11 we ask that you RSVP before the 17<sup>th</sup> October.

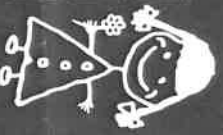
Marcus Oxenham  
TIC of Sport/PE

# Shoebox Gift Ideas



Mark the correct age category:

2-4 Years Old	5-9 Years Old	10-14 Years Old
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## Girl



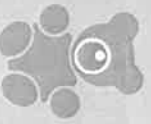
### GIRL 2-4

- Pencils and crayons
- Colouring book
- Exercise book
- Safety scissors
- Big markers
- Watercolour set
- Stuffed animal
- Doll
- Blanket
- Dress
- Hat
- Scarf
- Mittens
- T-shirts and tops
- Pants
- Underwear
- Socks
- Shoes
- Toothbrush
- Facewasher
- Soap
- Comb or brush
- Balls
- Cars, trucks, boats
- Toys that light up, squeak or make a noise
- Tote bag/purse
- Blocks
- Finger puppets
- Board or cloth books
- Sunglasses
- Plastic tools
- A note from you!



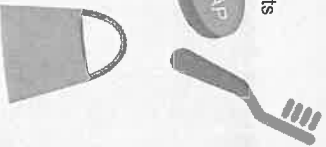
### GIRL 5-9

- Pens, pencils, crayons, markers and sharpener
- Exercise book
- Eraser
- Scissors
- Colouring book
- Dolls
- Doll bed
- Stuffed animal
- Dress ups - crowns, fairy wands, etc.
- Toy jewellery
- Ribbon wands
- Balls with pump if necessary
- Lego
- Puzzles
- Hand puppets
- Plastic toys
- Yo-yo
- Dress
- Pants
- Hat
- T-shirts and tops
- Socks
- Shoes
- Underwear
- Facewasher
- Toothbrush
- Comb or brush
- Hair ribbons, elastics, etc.
- Sunglasses
- Illustrated books
- Bag
- A note from you!



### GIRL 10-14

- Pens, pencils, coloured pencils, eraser, sharpener, crayons and markers
- Glue stick
- Exercise books
- Scissors
- Books
- Ruler
- Chalkboard and chalk
- Backpack
- Stuffed animal
- Skipping rope
- Doll
- Balls with a pump if necessary
- Puzzles
- Yo-yo
- Musical instruments
- Dress
- Skirt
- Hat
- T-shirts and tops
- Socks
- Shoes
- Underwear
- Pants
- Soap
- Facewasher
- Toothbrush
- Comb or brush
- Hair ribbons, elastics, etc.
- Sunglasses
- Kaleidoscope
- Bag
- Sewing kit
- A note from you!



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## Boy



### BOY 2-4

- Pencils and crayons
- Colouring book
- Exercise book
- Safety scissors
- Big markers
- Stuffed animal
- Blanket
- Hat
- Scarf
- Mittens
- T-shirts and shirts
- Pants
- Underwear
- Socks
- Shoes
- Toothbrush
- Facewasher
- Soap
- Comb or brush
- Balls
- Cars, trucks, boats
- Toys that light up, squeak or make a noise
- Tote bag
- Blocks
- Finger puppets
- Board or cloth books
- Sunglasses
- Plastic tools
- Plastic dinosaurs
- Duplo
- A note from you!



### BOY 5-9

- Pens, pencils and sharpener
- Coloured pencils
- Erasers, glue stick, highlighters, etc.
- Crayons
- Pencil case
- Exercise books
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Stickers
- Chalkboard and chalk
- Backpack
- Stuffed animal
- Balls (tennis balls, bouncy balls, hacky sack, football, soccer ball, beach ball, etc.) with a pump if necessary
- Plastic dinosaur, animal or action figure (no war-related toys)
- Lego
- Cars or trucks
- Puzzles
- Frisbee
- Musical instrument
- Yo-yo
- Soap
- Facewasher
- Toothbrush
- Comb or brush
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# How to Pack Your Shoebox

Every shoebox gift is an opportunity to touch a child's heart and share the love of Jesus Christ.

## 1

### START WITH A SHOEBOX



- Use any shoebox with a lid no larger than A4

OR

- Order pre-printed shoeboxes at [operationchristmaschild.org.au/resources](http://operationchristmaschild.org.au/resources)

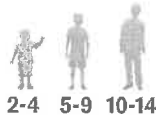
**REMEMBER TO REMOVE & RECYCLE GIFT PACKAGING.**

Help save the environment!

## 2

### PACK YOUR SHOEBOX

CHOOSE GIRL OR BOY AND AGE



#### PACK GIFTS



## 3

**ESSENTIAL!**

### DONATE \$9 PER SHOEBOX

ONLINE DONATIONS: (PREFERRED)

Go to [operationchristmaschild.org.au/shoeboxdonations](http://operationchristmaschild.org.au/shoeboxdonations) to donate. A barcoded label for each shoebox will be emailed to you.

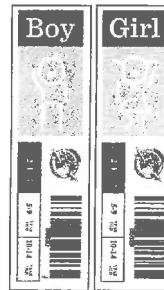
#### CASH OR CHEQUE DONATIONS:

If not donating online, complete the form in this brochure and place with your cash or cheque in an envelope inside your box.



## 4

### LABEL YOUR SHOEBOXES



#### PRINT AND ATTACH LABELS:

- Every shoebox must be labelled.
- Do not photocopy barcoded labels or the barcode will not scan.
- For non-trackable labels, go to [operationchristmaschild.org.au/resources](http://operationchristmaschild.org.au/resources).

## 5

### FIND YOUR NEAREST DROP OFF POINT

In **OCtober**, find your nearest Drop Off Point:  
[operationchristmaschild.org.au/dops](http://operationchristmaschild.org.au/dops)  
OR  
[operationchristmaschild.org.nz/dops](http://operationchristmaschild.org.nz/dops)

**NATIONAL COLLECTION MONTH**  
**OCCTOBER**



These items are prohibited to protect children or to comply with overseas government and customs restraints.

## Gift Suggestions

## Prohibited Items

- ✓ **SOMETHING TO WEAR:** t-shirt, polo shirt, shorts, skirt, cap, beanie, sandals, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING TO LOVE:** teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING SPECIAL:** carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, stickers, necklaces, craft kits, wind-up torch, a personal note, a photo of yourself, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING FOR SCHOOL:** exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH:** tennis ball, cars, skipping rope, marbles, musical instrument, yo-yo, slinky, finger puppets, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE:** soap and face washer, toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, scrunchies, hair-clips, etc.

- ✗ **ITEMS THAT LEAK OR MELT:** (these can spoil boxes) including toothpaste, shampoo, bubbles and plasticine/play dough
- ✗ **FOOD OR LOLLIES OF ANY KIND:** (due to customs regulations) including medicines and vitamins
- ✗ **USED OR DAMAGED ITEMS:** (due to customs regulations) including worn clothing and old toys
- ✗ **BREAKABLE ITEMS:** including glass, porcelain and mirrors
- ✗ **ITEMS THAT CAN SCARE OR HARM A CHILD:** including halloween, war or pirate-related items such as toy guns, knives, military figures or skull and crossbones
- ✗ **GAMBLING-RELATED ITEMS:** including play money, playing cards and dominoes
- ✗ **RELIGIOUS LITERATURE:** including tracts and Bibles

**Remember to pray for the child who will receive your shoebox!**

