



# St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February  
2017**

**Principal:** Brian Belczacki.  
**Deputy Principal:** Cass Sutton. **Assistant Principal:** Marcus Oxenham.  
**Director of Religious Studies:** Gabrielle Balemi.  
**Office Staff:** Celena O'Donnell.  
**Bursar/ Accounts:** Dana Macdonald.  
**Parish Priest:** Fr Joe Stack.  
**BOT Chairperson:** Lorraine Kendrick.

*Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,*

The Virtue for this term is:

# Justice™

A **virtue** is a disposition to do good and give the best of oneself. This is what we are encouraging our students to do.



At present Brian Belczacki, our principal, is ill and will be absent for the next week or two. Please remember him in your prayers.  
If you have any queries etc please contact Cass Sutton. [cass@stpatta.co.nz](mailto:cass@stpatta.co.nz)

## MEET THE TEACHERS EVENING LAST

**FRIDAY.....**It was great to see the many families that came along to this fun evening to mix and mingle. There was plenty of fun to be had; the pool was overflowing with activity. Thank you for coming and supporting your child's learning journey to meet and greet their teacher.



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**TERM DIARY**

<b>Wk 3</b>	Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb: Weetbix Tryathlon (Hamilton)
<b>Wk 4</b>	Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb: Prayer Ass 8:55am Virtue: JUSTICE Mid/Snr School Swimming Sports@ TA Event Centre. Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb: BOT Meeting 6pm Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb: School Assembly 2.15pm @ Hall
<b>Wk 5</b>	Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb: Prayer Ass 8.55am Virtue: JUSTICE Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar: Ash Wednesday Mass, 9.15-10.15am Town Blessing@TA Rugby Sports Club,12-1pm. Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar: World Day of Prayer, 10.30-11.30am Junior swimming <b>Demonstration @ 12-2.30pm</b> , School pool.
<b>Wk 6</b>	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Mar: Prayer Ass 8.55am Virtue: JUSTICE Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar: Junior swimming Demonstration (Saving Day)

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 co

## A quote from St Mary of the Cross Mackillop

'Love one another, bear with one another and let charity guide you in all your life..'

12<sup>th</sup> January 1909



**St Mary of the Cross Mackillop**

...Pray for us

**PTA Sausage sizzle** on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February at the events centre for swimming sports. Sausages will be \$2 and Juicies will be \$1.

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

*'Empowered today for tomorrow's world'*

**Congratulation House Leaders...** On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February our house leaders were announced and presented with their house leader badges.



**Te Kawa;** Rachel Gleeson and Lily Claydon.  
**Pirongia;** Gabriella Da Cunha Fernandez and Regan Linehan.  
**Kakepuku;** Karlie Alexander and Alexander Fonoti.  
**Maungatautari;** Ben Grainger and Katelyn Holmes.

**SCHOOL BUS STUDENTS:** Bus children will be receiving their bus tags today and their code of conduct agreements need to be returned by tomorrow **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February**. All eligible bus students will keep their current tag and the ineligible students will have replacement bus tags. Please note the instructions in the agreements and follow these as they are there to ensure your child's safety.



**Baptism...** Please register your interest if you would like to have your child baptised. Children who are in year 4 and older may be eligible for the sacraments of Reconciliation held later this term, and then Holy Communion and Confirmation which will occur in Term 2. However, they need to have been baptised first. Please register at the office by Friday 24<sup>th</sup>

February at the latest. Baptism classes will be held for those children from 3.15 till 4pm on Mondays starting in Week 5 Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February for 3 sessions.

If you wish to have your child baptised please ensure you attend the Preparation for Baptism. Meetings to be held in the Parish Lounge on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 7.30pm till 9.30pm.

**Uniform Closing down sale...** Uniformity is closing down and are selling the remainder of their stock at **Low prices while stock lasts** get in quick, items are selling fast. We are currently sourcing a new supplier.

#### **SALE ITEMS...**

Junior polos \$20  
 Shorts \$30  
 Sports polos \$20  
 Sports shorts \$15  
 Tunics \$30  
 Jerseys \$40  
 Senior polos \$10  
 Beanies \$8  
 Scarf \$8  
 Boys socks \$5  
 Girls ¾ socks \$10

**Lost Property...** Lost on Friday, summer shirt, named Jamie Frost, between room 3 and 4. Someone else's shirt was left (name unreadable). Please check your name tags room 3 & 4 and return to Luis Frost, room 3 to swap back

**Parents please ensure your child knows to put their items of clothing correctly into their own school bags when not in use. This is their responsibility.**

**Teachers are unable to monitor this or look for lost property.**

## **PTA NEWS**

"A big thank you to those who registered their interest for the PTA at the 'Family Fun Night' on Friday"

If you are interested in either the PTA or Friday school Lunches and didn't get to register, please feel free to email Tania Barras on [tania.penliz@gmail.com](mailto:tania.penliz@gmail.com) or text on 0275360492.

The more people we have involved the more fun!

Last year we contributed to school camps, class outings and other extra-curricular activities within the school that benefit all children.

We are looking at having a get together in the next couple of weeks to go over the yearly planner and brainstorm some fresh ideas.

Details will be in the school newsletter, and also emailed to those that are interested.

### **Friday school lunches are back on track....**

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE - NO LATE ORDERS**

Lunch orders **MUST** be in to the office by 3pm each Thursday afternoon. **ALL** information **MUST** be completed on the envelope.

## **SPORTS NEWS**

**URGENT School Swimming Sports...** Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 9am, at the T.A Event Centre. We need parent marshals and time keepers on the day. Please contact Marcus Oxenham or Nicola Prescott if you can assist.

**WeetBix Tryathlon** - 19<sup>th</sup> February. Please contact Marcus if you are still interested in competing.

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

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

(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 Friday @ 9:15am

All other times please refer to the church notice

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

**Sunday's Gospel Reading:** '...love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven...' Matt 5:38-48.

**Parish Notices....Preparation for Baptism** – Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Feb  
7:30-9pm Parish Lounge. This programme is for parents who wish to baptise their infants and or children up to 8 years of age. This is one session, lasting about an hour and a half. Contact Wilma Schimanski Ph (07) 873 1702.

COOLING DOWN FOR SUMMER

## SUPER SMOOTHIES

Smoothies are a great drink that can double as a snack. They are quick, nutritious and easy to make.

Ingredients:

- 1 banana
- 150g pot of fruit yoghurt
- 1 cup low fat milk
- Ice cubes (optional)

Blend all ingredients together and enjoy. Experiment with different types of fresh, canned or frozen fruit.

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## OPEN DAY

4<sup>th</sup> March 2017, 9.30am

Morning Tea, Goodies bags & great company!  
Stewart Alexander Golf Club would like to invite you to a free morning of Golf. Come see what it's all about!

For more information contact Carol on 021 0669 609 or email [cp4mosa@xtra.co.nz](mailto:cp4mosa@xtra.co.nz)

106 Budden Road, Te Awamutu



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### SCHOOL UNIFORMS FOR SALE

2 x long sleeve senior tops, size 14, \$10.00 each

1 x School Jersey, size 14, \$20.00

If interested please phone Jane Balsom 0210424498



### MAD COW DRUMS - DRUM TUITION

Mad Cow Drums are pleased to make the following offering to students of St Patrick's School who want to learn to play drums in 2016! Lessons will be on Wednesday afternoon from 12.30pm.

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

Please feel free 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! 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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## FLAVOURED WATER

Make your own flavoured water! Fill a jug with water and add:

- Ice cubes to keep it cool
- Slices or a squeeze of lemon, lime, cucumber, orange or berries
- Mint leaves

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