



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

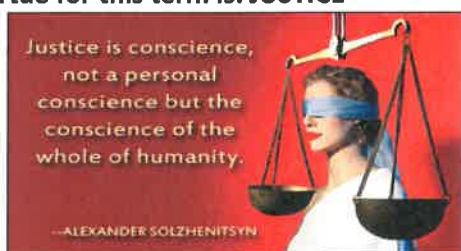
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Parish Priest: Fr Joe Stack.
BOT Chairperson: Lorraine Kendrick.

Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

The Virtue for this term is: **JUSTICE**



Mr Brian Belczacki

We continue to keep Mr Belczacki in our thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery.



"..May God be with you and Bless you always.."

This Sunday is The Annunciation of the Lord

The Annunciation - This holy exchange - our life for His- is the essence of the Christian life. It is not about power but powerlessness. It is not about increase but decrease. It is not about becoming greater but about becoming smaller. In short, true Christian spirituality is about surrendered love.



Welcome to our school...

Emily Kraayvanger

We hope you enjoy your learning journey here at St Pats!



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TERM DIARY

Wk 8	Fri 24 th Mar: Whole School Assembly, 2.15-2.45pm, Hall. Sun 26 th Mar: Sacramental Programme@9am , Colgan Learning Hub. School/Community/Collegial Mass@10.30am Cake stall and BBQ Fundraiser
Wk 9	Mon 27 th Mar: Prayer Ass 8.55am Virtue: JUSTICE Tues 28 th Mar: Team 3 Student Lead Conferences, 3-6pm Wed 29 th Mar: HPV Immunisation catch up day 9-10am Team 3 Student Lead Conferences, 3-5pm Sun 2 nd Apr: Sacramental Programme@9am , Colgan Learning Hub.
Wk 10	Mon 3 rd Apr: Prayer Ass 8.55am Virtue: JUSTICE Tues 4 th Apr: TA Cluster Swimming Thurs 6 th Apr: School Reconciliation, 1.30pm Friday 7 th Apr: Whole School Assembly, 2.15-2.45pm, Hall. First Reconciliation, 6pm @ Church. Sun 9 th Apr: PALM SUNDAY
Wk 11	Mon 10 th Apr: Prayer Ass 8.55am Virtue: JUSTICE Thurs 13 th Apr: Holy Thursday Fri 14 th Apr: GOOD FRIDAY – END OF TERM 1
EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	
Wk 1	Mon 1 st May: Term 2 Commences Prayer Ass 8.55am Virtue:

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.

A quote from St Mary of the Cross

Mackillop

'Suspect any zeal which makes you for one moment comment upon the actions of others'.
6th August 1870



St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

...Pray for us

Whole school Assembly
Tomorrow 2.15-2.45pm, Hall

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

'Empowered today for tomorrow's world'

'THANK YOU' Te Awamutu Hire Centre...

We are very thankful for the free use of your rotary hoe which was put to good use by Bibi today, cleaning up the gardens outside Rooms 9-10.



Thanks again Te Awamutu Hire Centre for your generosity to our school. **You're Awesome...!!**

FOURTH WEEK OF LENT...

- Prayer
- Fasting – not giving up but giving out....
- Works of Love...

From the CARITAS Lenten calendar

Thursday 23rd March 2017.. Gospel John 8:1-11: 'How can we show Jesus' mercy to those around us?'



School Community Mass... "Just a reminder of the School Community Mass this Sunday at 10.30am. We hope you can all make it and stay on for a mix and mingle afterwards.

As we are hoping to have some members from Te Kuiti and Otorohanga Parishes, we'll be running a sausage sizzle under the Colgan Learning Hub after Mass, and the Senior School will be doing a cake stall. All money raised will go towards much needed reading resources for their classrooms, so bring your change and stock up on some baking for the week!"

Student Led Conferences... for Team 3 are to be held next week Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th March. Notices will be sent detailing how to book an appointment online or by filling out the form, please check school bags.

Secondhand Uniforms... Numerous sizes and items for sale; Short sleeve and long sleeve polos, School and P.E shorts, jerseys and more. If interested please call or text Susanne Parsons 027 571 4176.

BYOSD...

We have a solution to the Windows device security issue! Cyclone has found a security programme that we can put on your child's device for \$50. If you want this option could you please email aimee@stpatta.co.nz by **MONDAY MORNING 27th March**, as that is when she will order them. This is a one off option. From now on we ask that you only purchase Chromebooks for BYOD. If your child has a CHROMEBOOK that needs to be set up to our network Mr Oxenham will do this on MONDAY. Please make sure to hand devices into the office clearly named (device and bag) before school. Team 2 parents keep an eye out for a letter coming home soon with details of BYOSD starting next term. Thank you for your patience.

The Arts! Team 3 are looking for people who could volunteer their time to help some of our students develop their passions in any field of arts. e.g. Visual arts (painting, drawing, sculpting, drama, music (choir singing) etc. If you are interested, or know of anybody who may be, please contact Marcus Oxenham.

Sacramental Programme Dates – 2017

These classes commenced last Sunday. Our date for the Confirmation and First Holy Communion **Sunday 2nd July at 10.30am Mass.**

The Programme of preparation began **Sunday 19th March** Teaching sessions will continue over the next two Sundays **26th March and 2nd April.**

The Programme will resume in Term 2 with the Confirmation and Eucharist/First Holy Communion components. Sessions will be held on Sundays **7th, 14th, and 21st May** (For Confirmation) and **28th May, 11th and 18th June** (Focusing on the Eucharist). On Sunday 25th June is the practice for the Confirmation/First Holy Communion Mass.

Meetings for parents; 2nd April, 7th May, and 11th June. The cost of the programme is \$15 per child.

PTA NEWS

PTA Get Together

Thank you to everyone who has expressed interest in the PTA but was unable to get to the meeting on Thursday evening. Through feedback it has become apparent that people are keen to meet during the day. We've had a great fundraising idea suggested and the finer details are just being sorted through then we hope to have a meeting the first week of Term 2. We will keep you updated.

Sileni Wine Fundraiser

Please keep the orders coming through. We have until the 7th April, and then delivery the following week in time for the school holidays. Even a single bottle order is very welcome. For very twelve bottles we sell we receive \$40 back to the school!

Contact Person

Please feel free to contact Tania 0275360492
/ tania.penliz@gmail.com anytime if you have anything
that you would like to chat about regarding the PTA.

SPORTS NEWS

Changes to Netball Teams... Due to a team pulling out of Competition Netball on Saturdays the committee now has to compensate for the loss of players by rearranging all the teams. This is a time consuming task required to ensure we can make up five netball teams in order to support our sponsorship.

We understand this will be an inconvenience to parents and players, therefore, we ask for your patience and understanding.

ANZ FutureFERNs Te Awamutu

Where: Te Awamutu Netball Centre

When: Yr 1&2 Tues 18th - Fri 21st

April 9am-12pm

Yr 3&4 Tues 18th - Wed 19th April 9am-3pm

Yr 5&6 Thurs 20th - Fri 21st April 9am-3pm

Information and Registration Forms can be found on PPTANC website or at your school office. REGISTRATION DUE 7th April 2017

<http://www.sporty.co.nz/teawamutunetball/Junior-Netball-2017>



The Te Awamutu Athletics Club Championships...

Were held this week and Alana broke the 12 and 13 year old club record for the 3000m. She was really pleased with her result and aims to better it next year. She also found out last Friday that she has been selected for the Waikato Bay of Plenty Interprovincial Team competing in Masterton over Easter which was fantastic and she also won a bronze medal in the 1500m at the Children's Champs at Porritt Stadium two weeks ago, along with Jenni who also got bronze in the 1500m. Thanks Maria Oliver

God Bless

C. M. Sutton

Cass Sutton
Acting Principal



ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

St Patrick's Catholic Church - Te Awamutu

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Mass Times

4th Sunday of Lent Time (Year A)

Sunday 26th March 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: 'It is for judgement that I have come into this world, so that those without sight may see and those with sight turn blind.' John 9:1-41.

Sacred Heart School Tours...

Sacred Heart Girls' College is holding school tours with our Principal and Deputy Principals for parents and whanau of girls who are due to begin school with us in 2018.

These will run through to June to allow families to get to know the school and discover what we are about.



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