



St. Patrick's Catholic School News

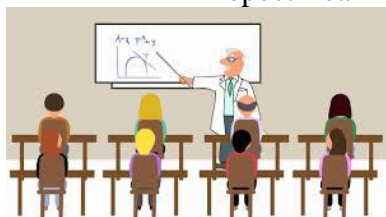
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2017

Acting Principal: Cass Sutton.
Assistant Principal: Marcus Oxenham.
Director of Religious Studies: Gabrielle Balemi.
Office Staff: Nicky McDaid.
Bursar/ Accounts: Fiona Perry
Parish Priest: Fr Joe Stack.
BOT Chairperson: Lorraine Kendrick.

Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

The Virtue for this week is:
Repect Learning



WHAT IS LEARNING:

Learning is a process that results in a change
In knowledge or behaviour as a result of
Experience.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION

It's less than 2 weeks to go!!! On July 2nd these
children make their First Holy Communion and will be
confirmed.

Finn Blackwell, Teyani Fairgray, Max & Blake Eyre,
Jasper Freeman, Aimee Jenson, Flynn Madsen, Jack
McGrail, Azaaliyah O'Donnell, Sean Osborne, Josh
Singh, Fernando Cantor, Jacob Young, Harry
Walkinshaw, Max & Quinn Wilson, Lochlain Gaines and
Abbey Jensen are being confirmed.

Come along to support and celebrate with them. You
may want to join our class for 2018.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

All lessons are complete!! Well done to all!! We will
meet before Mass at 10.15am this Sunday.

After Mass there will be a practice for our
Celebration on July 2nd. It would be great if sponsors
could attend but parents or caregivers can stand in
for them. Please bring completed workbooks with
you. See you on Sunday!

Anne, Jo and Andrea



JOIN US ON FACEBOOK....

To find us following the link...

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

WK 8	Sun 25 th June: Practice for 1 st Communion and Confirmation At 11.30am.
WK 9	Mon 26 th June: Prayer Assembly 8.55am SHGH Yr 8 visit 11 – 12pm Fri 30 th June: Class Mass rooms 3 and 4 Blessing of the sick 2pm Rm 10 Sun 2 nd June: 1 st Communion 10.30 – 11.30am
WK 10	Mon 3 rd July: Prayer Assembly 8.55am Science Fair Week Parent Interviews C.L.H Tues 4 th July: Science Fair 3.30 – 6pm in Hall Parent Teacher interviews 1.30 – 6pm. Wed 5 th July: Parent Teacher interviews 1.30 – 6pm. Thurs 6 th July: YR7/8 Tech at Intermediate. Sat 8 th July: North Island Cycling Champs – Mighty River Domain, Lake Karapiro
WK 11	Mon 10 th July: Prayer Assembly 8.55am Thurs 13 th July: YR 7/8 Tech at Intermediate

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.

Patience Required

Currently we are in the process of change and need support and understanding. Mrs Celena O'Donnell has resigned due to ill health. Mrs Maree Orr has been doing a wonderful job relieving for Celena for the last few weeks but, sadly for us, has won a position at Otorohanga. Maree will continue as our Sports Co-ordinator and will also be doing some part time work for us. Mrs Nicky McDaid has kindly agreed to fill the gap until a new appointment can be made. Mrs Fiona Perry is relieving in the position of Executive Officer (the Finance lady!) until Mrs Diane Ngapo starts in the last week of the term. Including myself as Acting Principal, we are all feeling our way in our positions so please be patient with us and also try to minimise any requests etc if possible.

We also have had a great deal of staff sickness – often due to teachers catching bugs from children who are attending school while they are ill. Please keep your children at home if they have a heavy cold, sore throat, virus etc. There is currently a shortage of relievers in Te Awamutu so we have often had to double up classes as no relievers were available. Mrs Judy Graham had to have time off after her husband, Chris, had a serious accident, and then Judy became very ill. Mrs Wisniewski has had a virus, resulting in vertigo, not a return of the cancer as some people have been concerned about. Most of the other staff have succumbed to a virus etc at some time so routines may not be not quite as smooth as usual, please bear with us.

Receptionist

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School is looking for a fantastic receptionist with an absolute focus on customer service. Reporting to the Executive Officer, the receptionist will manage the reception area and provide support to ensure the administration of the school is efficient, effective and seamless for both our staff and parent community. Must be digitally competent, experience in receipting payments and general administration required. Ability to maintain confidentiality essential. 15 hrs per week term time with potential additional hours for specific projects. Send covering letter and CV to the principal (principal@stpatta.co.nz).

Applications close on 30 June 2017. For a copy of the job description go to stpatta.co.nz.

Financial Situation

Currently the school finances are in a precarious position, not helped by the fact that we have appear to have almost \$20,000 owed by families.

Accounts were sent out yesterday. Please pay your account as soon as possible. If full payment is an issue for you, please consider setting up an Automatic Payment and letting Mrs Fiona Perry, our current School Executive Officer, know by ringing the school, 8714669 ext 223, sending her an email on accounts1@stpatta.co.nz or popping in. Further to this, the BOT has decided that we can no longer afford to have families put activities, uniform, stationery etc on account. All activities will need to have been paid for before students are able to participate. Stationery and uniforms will only be provided if they have been paid for. This will also apply to the Senior School Camp. Parents are welcome to set up an AP in advance for this, or organise some fundraising activities, as long as you have discussed the activity with myself or a BOT member beforehand, so we can be sure you are doing nothing illegal in the school's name!!

REMINDER: Could you email any absentees and messages to office@stpatta.co.nz to ensure the office staff get all messages.

SCIENCE FAIR:

The boards have arrived \$6 per board. Cash only to teachers in an envelope with the child's name on it. Teachers will keep a list of who has paid what.

PHOTOS:

Class photos have been taken today. Orders will be combined with the family photos in August, and will come online then. You will be informed when they are live.

Uniforms: If anyone has placed an order for school socks, they are in the school office if you would like to come and collect them.

MID YEAR REPORTING

Conferences will be held on Monday 3rd & Tuesday July 4th and Wednesday July 5th. We will send out an email when bookings are available online.

LUCKY BOOK CLUB

Last day for Issue 4 orders will be Wednesday 28th June 2017. No late orders will be accepted

Sacramental Programme Dates – 2017

On **Sunday 25th June** is the practice for the Confirmation/First Holy Communion Mass.

Celebration of Sacraments Sunday 2nd July at 10.30am Mass. Children to be in their classroom by 10am.



PTA NEWS

LUNCHES ARE ON AGAIN...!!

Please ensure forms are filled in correctly with **NAME** and **CLASS**.

ALL orders are to be in by **Thursday 3pm each week**. **LATE ORDERS will not be accepted**.

Contact Tania on 0275360492/ tania.penliz@gmail.com if you have any queries regarding the PTA.

SPORTS NEWS



CIS Winter Tournament

Our girls had a great day out at the winter tournament, our girls played hard and got pipped at the post by Marion after a goal countback.

Netball :

The Draw is available:

<http://www.sportsground.co.nz/teawamutunetball/24033/> and the local Courier.



A big **Thanks** to **Timmos ITM** for the full sponsorship of the Junior Tough Guy and Gal 2017



It was a great day and everyone had heaps of fun! Everyone got muddy and some even lost a shoe! But all smiling and laughing in the end.
Thanks **Timmos**, we really appreciate it.

God Bless

Cass Sutton
Acting Principal

ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

St Patrick's Catholic Church - Te Awamutu

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Parish Priest: Fr Joe Stack

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Mass Times

Weekday Masses see Parish Newsletter

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

Sunday Masses

Trinity Sunday

9:30am St George's Te Kuiti

10:30am St Patrick's Te Awamutu

11:30am Our Lady of the Sacred Heart
Otorohanga



Sunday's Gospel Reading:

COMMUNITY NEWS

SOUP & SAVOURY LUNCHEON

Thurs 29th June 2017 12 noon – 2pm

Saint John's Anglican Church Hall

\$12 per person

Bring & Buy, Save the Children Cards & Gifts

Parawai School Golden Jubilee

We warmly invite all past pupils, staff, BOT, PTA and parents to join us in celebrating 50 years of education at Parawai Primary School on Friday 27th October and Saturday 28th October 2017.

For a registration form or more information please phone 07 8688117 or email

administration@parawai.school.nz.