



# St Patrick's Catholic School News

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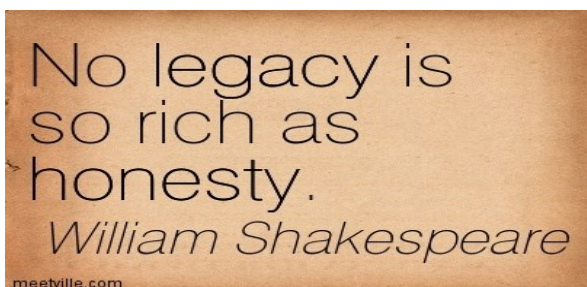
**Thursday 16th November 2017**

**Acting Principal:** Cass Sutton  
**Assistant Principal:** Marcus Oxenham  
**Director of Religious Studies:** Gabrielle Balemi  
**Receptionist:** Vicky Wright  
**Executive Officer:** Dianne Ngapo  
**Parish Priest:** Fr Joe Stack  
**BOT Chairperson:** Lorraine Kendrick

**Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,**

**The Virtue for this term is:**

**HONESTY**



## POPE FRANCIS QUOTES

"If I'm not mistaken, Sigmund Freud said that in every idealisation there's an aggression. Depicting the Pope as a sort of Superman, a star, is offensive to me. The pope is a man who laughs, cries, sleeps calmly and has friends like everyone else. A normal person."



**Pope Francis...**

## PARISH SCHOOL MASS -NEXT SUNDAY

Our **PARISH SCHOOL MASS** is next **Sunday 26th November at 10.30am**. Singing will once again be led by our School Choir.

This is our last Parish School Mass of the year, it would be great to see as many students and families as possible.



## IMPORTANT NOTICE

If there are any families that have had a change in contact details, eg, new phone numbers, email addresses, living arrangements etc, could you please ensure you update these details with our office staff.



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## TERM DIARY

<b>Wk 5</b>	<b>Fri 17 Nov</b>	9.00 - 12.00	Yr 8s visit to Sacred Heart & St Johns College
		9.15 - 10.15	Class Mass (CLH)
<b>Wk 6</b>	<b>Mon 20 Nov</b>	8.55	Prayer Assembly - Virtue: Honesty
		9.00 - 2.30	CIS Inter-Schools Athletics Day - (Yr 7&8s)
	<b>Tues 21 Nov</b>	11.30 - 12.30	Mass for Deceased Bishops & Priests
	<b>Wed 22 Nov</b>		St Patrick's Athletics Day
		9.30	(8yr olds and up - Te Awamutu Stadium)
		9.30	(5-7yrs - athletics at School - AM - Stadium PM)
	<b>Fri 24 Nov</b>	9.15 - 10.15	Class Mass - (Rms 9 & 10 -TBC)
		2.00	Blessing of the Sick - Rm 8
		2.15	Whole School Assembly - Hall
	<b>Sun 26 Nov</b>	10.30 - 11.30	Parish School Mass, Feast of Christ the King
<b>Wk 7</b>	<b>Mon 27 Nov</b>	8.55	Prayer Assembly - Virtue: Honesty
	<b>Wed 29 Nov</b>	9.00	WFP Athletics, Porritt Stadium
	<b>Fri 1 Dec</b>	9.15 - 10.15	Class Mass (Rms 8 & 11)
<b>Wk 8</b>	<b>Mon 4 Dec</b>	8.55	Prayer Assembly - Virtue: Honesty
		11.00 - 2.30	Road patrol leaders rewards day
		9.30	Team 1 trip to Kiwihouse
		6.00 - 8.30	Leavers Dinner (Te Awamutu Club)
	<b>Tues 5 Dec</b>	9.30 - 11.30	Rms 9/10 movies, Regent 3 Cinema
		1.30 - 2.30	Yr 7/8 Reconciliation
	<b>Thurs 7 Dec</b>	9.00 - 2.30	Ear Clinic, Rewi Street
		1.30 - 2.30	Yr 4 to 6 Reconciliation
	<b>Fri 8 Dec</b>		Feast of the Immaculate Conception
			End of Year Student Reports come home
		2.00 - 2.45	END OF YEAR—WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
<b>Wk 9</b>	<b>Mon 11 Dec</b>	8.55	Prayer Assembly - Virtue: Honesty
		9.00	Winning house prize day
		11.30	Alison Shanks, Olympic Ambassador 8 yrs up
	<b>Wed 13 Dec</b>	1.30 - 2.30	End of Year Prizegiving - Church
		6.00 - 7.00	Christmas Liturgy & Yr 8 Graduation
	<b>Fri 15 Dec</b>		LAST DAY OF TERM
		11.30 - 12.30	End of Year Mass
		1.30	FINAL BUS OF THE YEAR

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.

## ***Yr 5/6 Totara Springs Camp***

At 9:00am we all assembled in front of Room 11's deck to start our morning prayer. After prayer we all assembled in the car park and placed our bags in our cars. Some people put their bags in the trailer. We finally set off! It was around an hour's drive.

When we arrived we all got a bit of fresh air from the long car ride and had morning tea. The parents went into a meeting about the camp. After that we gathered in the presentation room. We listened to a lady called Ella who took us over a few health and safety rules. We learnt about the signs around the activities and what they meant. The signs were named at own risk or, wait for instructor, and no go. No go meant it was totally out of bounds. Own risk meant that you could do it but not without a supervisor. Last but definitely not least was wait for instruction which meant you needed to wait for an instructor to be able to do the task.

After the presentation we gathered to meet two staff members of Totara Springs named Bonnie and Reuben. They were practically our tour guides! We saw our activities and more, we saw some signs on the way.

After that we all went to the courtyard and Mr Oxenham and Mrs Prescott told us our cabins. The girls were in the Manuka Cabins and the boys in the Rahu cabins. We got set up and it was time for our first activity rotation! We had a blast and even took some risks in the new activities!

When we got back it was quite hot so we decided to get changed and into the pool! The one thing that was a little irritating was that the pool was heated, but at least we had the chance to get in!

After some people took showers and got changed. It turned into time for dinner. Some people served and it was really yum. Then we all settled for a bit. Finally it was announced we were going to go out to the forest and cook some damper over the fire! We all quickly sprayed some insect repellent and made sure we were warm! We cooked some bread over the fire. It was great until a big flash of lightning flashed, then a roaring thunder roared. About a minute later it started pouring down. We all decided to run on a broken toy train track and we all got saturated! When we got back we ran into our cabins and got changed into our pyjamas and went to the supper room and each got a milo. After that we all got to read until 10pm at the latest. We finally drifted off to sleep and it turned morning.

In the morning we got changed and headed to breakfast. After breakfast we all got ready for our first rotation for the day. After our first rotation, we had morning tea.

After morning tea we headed into our groups and went to our second rotation. When we got back it was about 12pm. We got some free time on the playground which was great! Around normal lunchtime we headed to get some lunch. We had bread rolls with a choice of ham or chicken and some other extras. Then after that we all had some duties to clean. We had to clean our rooms, clean our mattresses and also some people to do the bathrooms. After we finished it was almost time to go.

Before we left some people hopped in the pool for a quick swim while others went on the playground. Then everybody got changed and we headed to the cafeteria and sat down. James and Addison went up to thank Totara springs for our accommodation and our great time! Then it was time for the camp certificates. Everyone got one for their standout moments at camp.

Then it was finally time to head off back to school! When we got back it was around 3pm we all headed off home. Overall it was great. We all wish that we could've stayed for a bit longer. It was a amazing experience! Thanks to Totara Springs!

***By Keira Buckley***



Wellington Camp 2017

**It was fun- Alana**



**Wellington Camp 2017**

**Camp Was Adventurous- Abraham**


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A photograph showing a giraffe and a zebra grazing in a savanna. The giraffe is on the left, and the zebra is on the right. They are both facing right, eating from the grass. The background is a dry, open landscape with some trees and a clear sky.



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## ENVIRO GARDENS

**ENVIRO UPDATE:** 4 of the 5 beds are planted! Lots of veges: carrot, tomato, corn, cucumber, zucchini, beans, peas, courgette, cabbage, lettuce, some strawberries and some rhubarb. Our students have planted everything and are enjoying watering the gardens daily. We have a new worm farm, thanks to the Joyce family and a new garden shed kitset has arrived. It's exciting to see everything underway! Thank you to everyone who has helped donate something for the garden. We appreciate your generosity.



## PTA NEWS



Thank you to all those who have donated so far. The PTA is still seeking items to put in their Christmas Hamper. Either a Christmas food item or a Christmas themed entertainment item. Tickets will be sent home this week. If more tickets are required please see the office. The winner will be drawn on 8<sup>th</sup> December at the school assembly or contacted via phone.

### Contact for PTA

If you would like to join the PTA and help out any way please feel free to contact Tania 0275360492 / [tania.penliz@gmail.com](mailto:tania.penliz@gmail.com).

Thanks - St Pats PTA Committee



Issue 7, the last day for orders is 20th November 2017.

Issue 8 has now been sent home. The last day for orders is 15th December 2017.



Contact [barb@remaxrealestate.co.nz](mailto:barb@remaxrealestate.co.nz)  
To make a donation

## UNIFORM SHOP

### "SALE" STILL ON AT OUR UNIFORM SHOP

HELP US CLEAR OUR REMAINING STOCK WITH CHEAP PRICES WHILE STOCK REMAINS. THE SHOP IS OPEN ON WEDNESDAY MORNING 8-9AM WITH LYNLEE OR BETWEEN 8AM-4PM WITH DIANNE AND VICKY.

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JUNIOR - SIZES 4, 14

SENIOR - 8, 10, 12, 16

NAVY DRESS SHORTS \$15

SIZES 16, ADULTS SMALL AND MEDIUM

PINAFORE \$85

SIZES 4,6,10

SENIOR SKIRTS \$68

ALL SIZES

BUCKET HATS - \$15

**Help...** If any families have second hand uniforms in sizes 4-8 that they would like to donate to the School, we would very much appreciate it...please see the office if you are able to help.

### Found in Carpark

A man's wedding band was found in our carpark after Totara Springs camp drop off on Tuesday afternoon. Please see the office staff if you are the owner.

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

Weekday Masses see Parish Newsletter

Saturday (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

### Sunday's Gospel Reading:

'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.....' Matthew 25:14-30



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