



St Patrick's Catholic School News

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Kia ora Parents, Guardians and Children,

The Virtue for this term is:



Respect is not imposed
nor begged.
It's earned and offered.

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Mix, Mingle and Meet the Teachers

On Friday 9th February from 5.30pm..

Here is our first opportunity to gather together, meet new people including our new Principal, new teachers and new families.

Pack a picnic tea, bring your fish and chips or cook your dinner on our school BBQ.

Classrooms will be open if you would like to have a look around.

The school pool will also be open and cricket etc will be available.

Principal: Shelly Fitness
Deputy Principal: Cass Sutton
Acting Assistant Principal: Aimee McMillan
Director of Religious Studies: Gabrielle Balemi
Parish Priest: Fr Joe Stack
BOT Chairperson: Lorraine Kendrick



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[TERM DIARY](#)

Wk 2	Fri 9 Feb	2.00	Whole School Assembly - Hall
		3.00	PTA meeting - outside CLH
		5.30 - 7.00	Meet the Teachers evening - Top field
	Sat 11 Feb		Weet-Bix Tryathlon - Hamilton
Wk 3	Mon 12 Feb	9.00	Prayer Assembly - Virtue: Respect
	Wed 14 Feb		ASH WEDNESDAY
		9.15 - 10.15	ASH WEDNESDAY MASS - Church
Wk 4			PAT Testing week
	Mon 19 Feb	9.00	Prayer Assembly - Virtue: Respect
		8.30 - 2.30	Ear Clinic Van
		1.30 - 2.30	Yr 7/8 Immunisation talk
	Fri 23 Feb	2.00	Whole School Assembly - Hall

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.

Pope Francis Quotes

Not to share one's wealth with the poor is to steal from them and to take away their livelihood. It is not our own goods which we hold, but theirs.



This week we welcome Jackson Thomson to Rm 1 and Jaehee Noh to Room 2.

We hope you enjoy your learning journey with us at St Pats!

Kia Ora Koutou,

Week 2 and the sun continues to shine!



It has been great to see all children bringing their togs to school each day and taking part in swimming lessons - a must for an island nation like NZ. It has also been lovely to watch the children playing in all the shady spots under the beautiful trees here on the grounds. St Patrick's is truly blessed to have such a green environment.

This coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and marks the beginning of Lent. We will recognise the day with an Ash Wednesday Mass in the church at 9.15am. The practice of using ashes comes from the Old Testament where we are told that people put ashes on their heads and wore sack cloth as a sign of mourning. Because of this, ashes have become a sign of sadness, loss and repentance - all important themes of Lent. All attendees (baptised or not) are welcome to receive the ashes as this is a tradition we share with many other Christian Churches. We would love to see lots of parents at this special Mass.

I would also like to encourage you to consider doing something as a family together to recognise Lent. You might remember in the "old days" we always used to give something up for the six weeks of Lent - a popular choice for children was always Easter Eggs. The practice of giving something up (or doing something extra) for six weeks is a great way to form a new habit and also helps us feel solidarity with those who go without because of poverty or other circumstances. Some suggestions could be:

- once a week during Lent the whole family (parents included) has a device-free night and spends the night together
- as a family you donate \$20 each week of Lent to a worthy cause. Your children could help choose the cause each week which is a great way to educate them about issues in the community
- choose a favourite family treat (e.g. chocolate) to give up for six weeks. Choose something you have always wanted to do something about but never gotten around to
- each member of the family does one random act of kindness each week and then reports back about it at a special dinner of Sunday nights
- make an extra effort to come to Sunday Mass for the season of Lent.

I hope that Lent is a blessed time for us all where we grow closer to God and each other.

This week we welcome Mrs Anne Poole who will be joining us in the Colgan Learning Hub for the next eight weeks. Mrs Poole will be familiar to many of you as she teaches the sacramental programme through the parish and knows many of our students. We are sure that you will make her welcome and we keep Mrs Russ in our prayers as she recovers from a sports-related injury.

A couple of reminders:

- please refrain from dropping your children in the carparks in the morning. This is a dangerous practice and it is our priority to keep our children safe
- our classroom learning time is precious and we ask that it is respected by keeping interruptions to a minimum

Have a blessed day,

Shelly Fitness, Principal



GET INVOLVED!

Welcome to our new families and welcome back to our current families!

On Friday the 9th February the PTA are getting together to have a chat about upcoming events/dates and to start the ball rolling for the year with some excellent fundraising for our school. If you have some ideas you think would be great for fundraising we would love to hear them!!

We will meet outside the Colgan Learning hub on the grass at 3pm.

If you know anyone that might be interested in lending a hand in anyway throughout the term please bring them along or mention it to them to be in touch. Any help is much appreciated as many hands make light work and we all have the same goal in mind. Feel free to email anytime with questions or ideas to pta@stpatta.co.nz.

****Lunches are back up and running this week and we are trialling some new ideas so we would love to hear your feedback on this also. Order forms will be sent to your child's class on a Tuesday. Please fill in the details of your order, pop the order in an old envelope or coin bag and return to the yellow box in the office by 3pm Thursday. Please ensure correct change is with your child's order as no change will be given.**



Issue 1 for Term 1 is being sent home this week. The final cut off date for orders is 31st March 2018.

Sports Photo We have received a team netball photo from Photolife with no information as to the owner. If you ordered a team photo please come and see the office staff.



BYOD

(Bring Your Own Device) continues to run in the school this year for year 3 and up. This is not compulsory. If your child had a Chromebook at school last year they may continue to bring it to school this year. If your child has a new device they **must not** bring it to school until you have made contact with Mrs McMillan.

We have a permission slip that needs signing and an online Google Form to fill out. Once this is done their device must have Google Console added (more information on this is on the letter that goes home with the permission slip). Mrs McMillan can only apply Google Console on Wednesdays.

Please contact Mrs McMillan at aimee@stpatta.co.nz



A reminder that Miniball forms and payment of \$21 is due today - **Thursday 8th February**.

Touch Rugby forms and payment of \$12 is due on - **Thursday 15th February**.

ALL SPORTS REGISTRATIONS must be in and paid by the due date. No late entries will be accepted.

Swimming years 4-8, \$25 fee due by **Friday 9th February**.



Good luck to all students that are taking part in the Weet-Bix Tryathlon this Sunday 11th February 2018.

SIGN YOUR KIDS UP FOR RIPPER OR TACKLE RUGBY NOW

SIGN UP DATES

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 15TH | 5 - 6pm

THURSDAY MARCH 1ST | 5 - 6pm

THURSDAY MARCH 15TH | 5 - 6pm

Ages 3 - 13 years old

SUBS \$40 (FOR ONE)

\$70 (FOR TWO)

\$90 (FOR THREE)
(includes shorts & socks)

Current Juniors can register online:

www.sporty.co.nz

Contact Junior Delegates: tamaristjunior@gmail.com

Sophia Powell 021 215 1875 or Glenn Morris 027 436 2878

2018 WAIKATO COUNTRY BASKETBALL REPRESENTATIVE TRIAL

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10 & FEBRUARY 17 AT CAMBRIDGE HIGH

U11 BOYS/GIRLS	9.00 - 10.30AM
U13 BOYS/GIRLS	10.30 - 12.00PM
U15 BOYS	12.00 - 2.00PM
U15/U17/U19 GIRLS	12.00 - 2.00PM
U17/U19 MEN	2.00 - 4.00PM

AGE GROUP GUIDE

(AGES ARE AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018)

UNDER 19	MUST BE AGED 18 OR YOUNGER UP TO 31/12/2018 (BIRTH DATES 2000/2001)
UNDER 17	MUST BE AGED 16 OR YOUNGER UP TO 31/12/2018 (BIRTH DATES 2002/2003)
UNDER 15	MUST BE AGED 14 OR YOUNGER UP TO 31/12/2018 (BIRTH DATES 2004/2005)
UNDER 13	MUST BE AGED 12 OR YOUNGER UP TO 31/12/2018 (BIRTH DATES 2006/2007)
UNDER 11	MUST BE AGED 10 OR YOUNGER UP TO 31/12/2018 (BIRTH DATES 2008/2009)

EACH PLAYER TO COMPLETE A REGISTRATION FORM AND \$5 PER PLAYER

Eligibility to play - you must live or attend school in the Waikato Country area. This includes CAMBRIDGE, TE AWAMUTU, OTOROHANGA, TE KUITI, TAUMARUNUI, MORRINSVILLE, MATAMATA, PUTATURU, TOKOROA.

WAIKATOCOUNTRYBASKETBALL@GMAIL.COM
027 275 7343



Friday 2nd March 4.00pm – 7.30pm
Pirongia Primary School, 100 Beechey St.

Celebrate with Pirongia School and the community at the biennial school fair. Featuring classic old style stalls run by the students to challenge and entertain all the family. There will be lots of games to play, animals to pet at the famous petting zoo, rides on tractors, ponies and fire engines, raffles, hot food, cold drinks, sweet stalls, auctions and much more. Fun for all the family!! Proceeds go towards the new school playground upgrade. Cash only – cash out facilities available.

God Bless

Shelly Fitness, 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

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:

"If you will, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, "I will; be clean." *Mark 1:40-45*



BEAUTIFUL BREAKFAST

Breakfast is the best way to kickstart our brain and provides energy to start each day!



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EGGS ON TOAST

Eggs-ellent ways to have eggs on toast!

- Soldiers
- Poached
- Scrambled - add herbs for extra flavour
- Microwaved



DID YOU KNOW:

Eggs are a great source of protein which helps to grow strong healthy muscles

SOLDIERS



SCRAMBLED



POACHED

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EASY OMELETTE

- 2 large eggs
- 2 Tbsp. water
- Pinch of salt and pepper
- 1 Tbsp. low fat spread
- ½ cup filling – eg cheese, tomato, capsicum or your favourite vegetables

In a bowl mix eggs, water, salt and pepper well. Melt spread on medium heat in a medium sized pan. Pour in egg mix covering whole pan. Using a spatula, pull in cooked egg from the outside. Tilt the pan so uncooked egg can fill gaps until the bottom is set and egg looks slightly wet on top. Add fillings on one half of omelette and then gently fold other half on top. Slip on to a plate and enjoy!



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FRITTATA MUFFINS

- 5 large eggs
- ½ cup cheese – grated
- ½ cup ham - chopped
- ½ onion - finely chopped
- pinch of salt and pepper

Mix eggs in a bowl with salt and pepper. Add ham, onion and cheese to the bowl and mix through gently.

Divide mixture in to muffin tray and bake at 200°C for 15-18 minutes.

Serves approx. 12



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