



# Followers of Christ ST PETER'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### September

- 9<sup>th</sup> Town Schools cross country
- 7<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Information Evening - 7 pm
- 11<sup>th</sup> Spring Soiree
- 13<sup>th</sup> Year 7/8 Waikato Cross Country
- 16<sup>th</sup> Room 2 Assembly - 2 pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> Year 8 Sacred Heart visit
- 20<sup>th</sup> Cambridge High Testing Day
- 22<sup>nd</sup> BOT Meeting - 5.45 pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Speech Finals
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Term 3 ends - 3 pm

### NETBALL PRIZEGIVING

We are holding our end of season Netball prizegiving on Wednesday, 21st September at 3.30pm in the hall. Can netball families please bring a plate for afternoon tea.

### NETBALL FINALS

Congratulations to the Year 5 Saints netball team who are playing in the final at 9.30 am on Saturday and our Year 8 Aces team who also play their final at 11.10 am. If you are around and would like to support the girls they would love to have you there cheering them on.

### UPDATE ON ZENA IVORY



Mrs Zena Ivory is recovering from an operation to plate and pin her shoulder. Now she needs time to rest, recuperate and heal. Thank you for all your prayers and best wishes for Zena.

### MISSING

A school jersey named "Sahara Taane" has been missing for a few weeks and a PE shirt named "Bodle" is also missing. Could parents please check their children's labels and bags, and if found return to the school office. Thank you. 😞

### ABSENTEES

Parents/caregivers if your child is going to be absent from or late to school for any reason, please telephone the school office by 9 am. This saves on a lot of follow up calls. For your convenience we have an answerphone that messages can be left on at any time.



A big welcome to Rory Brock who started at our school this week in Room 2. We hope you enjoy your time with us at St Peter's Catholic School.

## Principal's Reflection

*Whāia te iti kahurangi ki te tūohu koe me he maunga teitei*

Seek the treasure you value most dearly: if you bow your head, let it be to a lofty mountain

This whakatauki is about aiming high or for what is truly valuable, but its real message is to be persistent and don't let obstacles stop you from reaching your goal.

### COMBINED CAMBRIDGE SCHOOLS KAPA HAKA FESTIVAL

Last night our school Kapa Haka group performed at Cambridge High School in the annual Combined Cambridge Schools Kapa Haka Festival. This is the first year our school has been in a position to have a group participate in the festival. Our wonderful students did us all proud with their exceptional performance. I am so proud of their efforts.



It has been an absolute joy to see the development of our Kapa Haka programme. Over the past year we have employed Matua Rawiri – a Kapa Haka Tutor. One of the major benefits of this programme in our school is the growth, pride and passion of our students. Kapa Haka provides excellent opportunities for leadership and role modelling for both our senior girls and boys. The 'mana' our senior students have within the school has been enhanced by the weekly Kapa Haka sessions. The teachers have seen positive effects in other areas of the curriculum and their social development. As I have sat in on a number of Kapa Haka sessions I have been most impressed with the challenging level of learning the students are experiencing. Learning correct pronunciation, lots of vocabulary, dance movements and singing all at the same time. Excellent brain and physical development.

### PARISH SCHOOL MASS

Last Sunday we had a beautiful Parish-School Mass. We were delighted with the fantastic turn out of school families. The students who took on different roles did a fine job and the singers and musicians were outstanding. A HUGE THANK YOU to Mrs McCreery and staff who make these masses such special celebrations.



### PAID UNION MEETING

Thank you to our families for your support of our Paid Union Meeting which is being held on Monday (12th September). School will start at 11.00 am.

### DAFFODIL DAY

The Young Vinnies would like to thank you all for your support in helping us raise money for the Cancer Society on Daffodil Day. In total we raised \$500.70 dollars. What a fantastic effort!



## FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



## FOCUS: GENTLENESS

Gentleness is acting and speaking in a kind, considerate way. It is self-control, in order not to hurt or offend anyone. You can be gentle with people and animals in the way you touch them and the way you speak to them. You can handle things carefully so they will not break or be hurt. When you think gentle thoughts, it makes the world a safer, gentler place.

Mother Teresa is Gentleness. Mother Teresa, who devoted her life to helping the poor was this week declared a saint in a Canonisation Mass held by Pope Francis in the Vatican. Pope Francis said that "Mother Teresa, in all aspects of her life, was a generous dispenser of divine mercy, making herself available for everyone through her welcome and defence of human life, those unborn and those abandoned and discarded," he said.



### CHALLENGE FOR THE WEEK:

Think gentle thoughts that make you smile inside.

### SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Saturday - 5.30 pm Sunday - 8.30 am

**"Caught Being Caring"**  
Issie Kavanagh, Logan Boss, Harlem Curran & Eli Cody



### ALTRUSA AWARDS

Congratulations to Sasha Toohey & Hunter Bodle. Last night Sasha & Hunter were each presented with the Altrusa Literacy Award recognising their progress in literacy. They received a certificate and a voucher for Paper Plus. Well done to you both.

### LUNCH ORDERS

Lunches are available for purchase on a Thursday only. Please write your child's name on an envelope, ensure that the correct change is included and hand in to the School office BEFORE 9.00 am. No cheques please. Lunches will be available for the child to collect at 12.30 pm in the office foyer. A lunch menu is on the school website.



### SUMMER UNIFORM CHANGEOVER

Summer uniform can be worn from the beginning of Term 4, with it becoming compulsory after Labour Weekend. Please note that students must not wear a combination of summer & winter uniform. Our School Uniform Shop is open on Thursday mornings from 8.30-9.30 am during



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Phone **827 6623** for absentees



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### INFORMATION EVENING FOR OUR YEAR 6 STUDENTS

Tonight, Wednesday, 7th September we are holding an Information Evening at 7.00 pm in Room 6 for all our Year 6 students and their parents.

The evening focuses on giving students a taste of what next year will bring and making sure the transition experience is a positive one. The presentation will outline the excellent programmes of work, events, leadership opportunities and activities the Year 7 students are involved in.



## SPRING SOIREE

This Sunday, 11th September @ 2.00 pm

Our next PTFA Fundraising event Spring Soiree is being held this Sunday, 11th September at 2.00 pm in the St Peter's Catholic Community Hall. This is a High Tea event which focuses on women's wellbeing. There will be guest speakers along with some fantastic spot prizes and a silent auction. Tickets are \$25 and available from [www.eventbrite.co.nz](http://www.eventbrite.co.nz) or from the school office before/after school. Tickets can also be paid by depositing the money in the PTFA bank account

**03 1568 0071199 000** (please note that this is a different account to the school bank account).



Part of the event is a pre-loved frock sale (girls and ladies). If you have any frocks in good condition that you no longer wear, please donate it to the basket in the school office. At the end of the event there will be a pre-loved Frock Sale. Any unsold frocks will be donated to Dress for Success in Hamilton.

### DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS GREAT EVENT!

### CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to all the students on their participation at our postponed school cross country. We wish the students who will be participating at the Town Schools Cross Country on Friday and the Waikato Full Primary Cross Country on Tuesday, the best of luck.

### RESULTS 2016

5 Year Boys: Carter McNab 1, Logan Boss 2, Oliver Plant 3  
 5 Year Girls: Charlize McWatters 1, Tru Cockburn 2, Charlotte Ross 3  
 6 Year Boys: Jake Millen 1, Matthew Sommerville 2, Fionn Fitzsimons 3  
 6 Year Girls: Phoebe Jones 1, Valentina Di Maio 2, Rose Kennedy 3  
 7 Year Boys: Oliver Lawrey 1, Patrick Joblin 2, Rory Harrison 3  
 7 Year Girls: Sophie Risi 1, Pippa Peacocke 2, Jessica Kaur-Gill 3  
 8 Year Boys: Willem Groenendijk 1, Charlie Wallace 2, Sean Jones 3  
 8 Year Girls: Olivia Bodle 1, Emilia Balsom 2, Aoife Fitzsimons 3  
 9 Year Boys: Hee Dutron 1, Hamish Durran-Wolff 2, Nicholas Rothery 3  
 9 Year Girls: Hannah Jordan 1, Tessa Paine 2, Adya Turndbull 3  
 10 Year Boys: Noah Cody & Hunter Bodle 1=, Josh Lawrey 2, Remy Groenendijk 3  
 10 Year Girls: Lucy Eastwood 1, Sahara Taane 2, Danaya Mayne 3  
 11 Year Boys: Matthew Jordan 1, Hugh Kennedy 2, Daniel Plant 3  
 11 Year Girls: Esme MacGillivray 1, Bella Peacocke 2, Kerryn Baker & Riley Martinovich 3=  
 Year 7 Boys: Neo Dutron 1, Max Banner 2, Jujhar Singh 3  
 Year 7 Girls: Aoife Brennan 1, Clodagh Bartlett 2, Charmaine Bourner 3  
 Year 8 Boys: Elijah Cody 1, Josh Bam 2, Garret Wilson 3  
 Year 8 Girls: Keelah Bodle 1, Alizee Paine 2, Maxee McKenzie 3

Debra A White, **PRINCIPAL**