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ST PETER'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

DATES TO REMEMBER

March

15 th	Mass Rooms 4 & 5 - 9.15 am
19 th	HPV Vaccinations
22 nd	Mass 9.15 am - Rm 6 attending
22 nd	Assembly
28 th	Theatre Company performance
29 th	Town Schools Swimming Sports
30 th	Good Friday

DAD'S ARMY

The platoon have completed their second assignment by moving the notice board next to the boardwalk.

The use of heavy machinery to break the concrete was a highlight. Planning has begun on their next mission to move the PE Shed so that construction can start on the Sports Changing Sheds. If you are interested please send an email with your contact details to the Commanding Officer Chris Rothery: c.rothery@stpeterscatholic.school.nz

RED RIDING ROBYN HOOD

We are fortunate to have New Zealand Playhouse Educational Theatre Company coming to our school to entertain our students with the following performance:

Red Riding Robyn Hood - suitable for all of our Year 1-8 students Wednesday, 28 March 2018 @ 11:30am.

This is part of the Arts Curriculum at our school. **The cost for each student to attend is \$4.50.** This can either be paid by cash or EFTPOS at the school office or via internet banking into the school account 03 1568 0009985 00 reference "Play".

King George has lost the plot! In his never-ending quest to build bigger palaces, giant walls and enormous statues of himself he has raised the Land Far Far Away tax rate to 101%! Jack and Jill can't afford to get a pail of water, Little-Bo- Peep has to sell her sheep, and even the Princess is so hungry she ate the pea.

When even the bravest of Knights are too scared to stand up to him, the Land Far Far Away cries out for a hero to put a stop to the madness of the King. Luckily their cries are heard by a mysterious red hooded figure with a bow and arrow, a basket of goodies and some very unlikely 'Big Bad' backup.

As well as a performance that will have you laughing all the way through, the play will challenge your students to think about traditional gender roles, bravery and standing up for what's right.

Principal's Reflection

Kia Ora Koutou,

Ka mate te kāinga tahi, ka ora te kāinga rua
When one house dies, a second lives

Last Friday Bishop Steve blessed and opened the refurbished junior learning space. This re-development is a vast improvement on what was here before. The space will provide a smooth transition from Early Childhood Centres into School life here at St Peter's Catholic School.

It will allow our teachers teach in the 21st century.
It will allow our students to learn in away that suits them.
It will enable them to "Be the best they can be"

Room 1 and 2 will starting moving into the space shortly.



The ReMax Waipa Fun Run was held on Sunday, 11th March and was a great success. There were many helpers involved in making this event happen. I would like to pass on the school's sincere thanks to the members of the school and local community that helped out in so

many ways, especially on the day. It was so pleasing to see many of our new families being involved.

Special thanks to our wonderful over night security team - Kellie Pearson and Aidan Boswell, to the PTFA for the delicious food, our marshalls and course co-ordinators, spot prize, sponsorship and registration teams and to the team that helped set up on Saturday, and dismantle after it was all over on Sunday.

A very special thank you to Donna and Lisa for their meticulous organisation of the day. The success of the day is a real testament to all the dedication and hard work that has been put in over the past few months. A huge thank you to you all.

Learning Discussions

Thank you to those who attended the Learning Discussions on Monday and Tuesday this week. It's great to see the children sharing their learning goals with their parents. If you were unable to make the Learning Discussions please email the teacher and set a time that suits.

Union Meetings

Notification of NZEI Paid Union Meeting – 28th of March 1.30pm

The purpose of this meeting is to inform teachers, principals and support staff of the key proposals in the Government's Funding Review, and to determine a response. The Employment Relations Act requires our school to release teachers to attend this meeting. With a large number of staff attending this Paid Union Meeting we will not be able to run lessons on this afternoon.

Children are to be picked up at 12.30 pm on that day. Supervision will be provided for those who can not pick up their children until 3.00 pm. The school apologises for any inconvenience this may cause.

Kia manaaki te Atua koutou katoa

Grant Stuart
PRINCIPAL

FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



FOCUS: GENEROSITY

Generosity is giving and sharing. It is giving freely because you want to, not with the idea of receiving a reward or a gift in return. Generosity is being aware that there is plenty for everyone. It is seeing a chance to give what you have and then giving just for the joy of giving. It is one of the best ways to show love and friendship.



CHALLENGE THIS WEEK: Look for opportunities to give and to share.

SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Saturday - 5.30 pm Sunday - 8.30 am

“Caught Being Caring”

Eleanor Whittaker, William Greentree, Issie Kavanagh, Mila Keijzer-Kinniburgh, Ellie-May Lawes, Amara Casey & Nick Toohy

PARISH NEWS

Children's Choir: It is hoped to have a children's choir this year. Ideally these children would sing as a group at Mass once a month. If interested register your child's name at the School Office.

First Communion: Classes of preparation for this Sacrament will begin after the Easter break. Children must have turned 8 years of age on or before 30 April 2018. Registration forms are available at the School Office or from the Church.



YEAR 7 & 8 RUGBY MUSTER

Tonight (Wednesday, 14 March) 6.30-8 pm at the Cambridge junior rugby clubrooms and again on Sunday from 9am.

FEEDBACK

If you have any feedback on events like the Fun Run or Learning Discussion please email: feedback@stpeterscatholic.school.nz

POOL SPONSORSHIP

The school and community has worked hard to raise funds to upgrade the pool area and changing sheds. Work on this project is due to start shortly.

The next step is to install a heat pump system to heat the pool. This is so that the Cambridge Learn to Swim Programme can continue while the town pools are closed for the rebuild. This rebuild will take between 1-2 years. We are currently looking for sponsorship to help meet the cost of the heat pump.



If this is something that you are interested in and would like to learn more about please email principal@stpeterscatholic.school.nz and I will send out more information about the proposal outlining the various sponsorship packages available.

UNIFORM SALES

The Uniform Shop is open from 8.30-9.30 am every Thursday morning during term time. If you are unable to get to the Uniform Shop, orders can be left at the school office and will be filled on a Thursday morning for you. Orders can then be collected and paid for later that day.



A reminder that winter uniform can be worn after Easter with it becoming compulsory after Queen's Birthday weekend. Children are not to wear a combination of summer and winter uniforms.

EASTER DATES

Please note that the school is closed on Good Friday, 30th March, Easter Monday, 2nd April and Easter Tuesday, 3rd April.



CLASS AWARDS

ROOM 1: *Audrey Ndoro* - for being such a good listener and a caring friend.

Eli Ah-Ping - for being so helpful and caring at school.

Georgie Chubb - for working so hard with her fluency with reading.

ROOM 2: *Carter McNab* - for being very helpful, responsible and fully involved learner in Room 2.

Charlize McWatters - for having a positive attitude to her learning and working hard every day.

Alistair Stokes - for making a great start to the year.

Rory Brock - for his amazing effort during swimming sessions.

ROOM 3: *Jake Millen* - for fantastic work in STEPS.

Valentina Di Maio - for amazing alliteration and rhyme in a poem made up with Pippa Owsley.

Eleanor Whittaker - for showing the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. Always having a positive mindset towards school.

Chloe Banner-Dryland - for being a 'super' reader.

ROOM 4: *Sophia Huang* - for using descriptive language when writing about the beach.

Sophia Jang - for completing all her work to a high standard and being efficient in her learning.

Nick Rothery - for being an effective self-manager on all his learning in Room 4.

ROOM 5: *Isabel Burrows* - for working hard to complete all of her work.

George Kennedy - for his commitment to learning a new stroke in swimming.

Oliver Lawrey - for his improved motivation to read.

Angus MacGillivray - for consistently displaying a positive attitude towards his learning.

ROOM 6: *Ella Rothery* - for taking risks and stepping outside of his comfort zone.

Fletcher Kerr - for his huge efforts and progress during swimming lessons.

Ben Deason - for taking his roles of responsibility seriously and for being an excellent role model to others.

Joban Bassi - for being an excellent role model to others throughout the school.

Daniel Plant - for his excellent test results and positive attitude in class.

ROOM 7: *Adam Pierce* - for his positive start to the year and sharing his learning with enthusiasm.

Bruno Hare - for an outstanding maths test result.

Zara Thompson - for her positive attitude and approach to all her learning.

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.



Phone **827 6623** for absentees



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