



Followers of Christ

# St Peter's Catholic School

TERM 1 – 27 February 2019

## Principal's Reflection ...

Kia Ora Koutou,

Pupuri i te Whakapono  
Keep the Faith

As a Catholic community we share common values and faith. The school motto is Servabo Fidem which means Keep the Faith. Faith is what binds us together and helps make our school different from state schools. As a community we show our faith when we attend Mass. Fr Leonard lead our school beautifully in the first School Mass for the year. It was great to see the children participate in the liturgy with the different roles.

Last Friday we had the Diocese Office visit our school as part of a Team building day. The Student Council planned a series of activities for the Diocesan staff reflecting what our school is about. The activities including drawing pictures of scripture passages, starring in videos about the Fruits of the Holy Spirit, making flag poles for our school flag out of newsprint, as well as learning a line dance. The students enjoyed teaching Bishop Steve the moves to "Achy Breaky Heart". My thanks to the Student Council for making the afternoon so successful.



Tonight at 6 pm in the Cathedral, the teachers will gather with other teachers from Waikato Catholic Schools to celebrate the Diocesan Academic Mass. This will be led by Bishop Steve. All parents are welcome to attend; students attending are to wear school uniform.

Kia manaaki te Atua koutou katoa

Grant Stuart  
**PRINCIPAL**

### LEARNING DISCUSSIONS

Forward notice: Learning Discussions will take place on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> March from 1.30-5.15 pm and Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> March from 3.30-6.15 pm. A letter with more details and the link to book your appointment will be sent home in the next few days.



### SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE

Tomorrow (Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> February) from 2.30-3.30 pm there will be a stall selling second hand uniforms on the cobbled area outside the hall. We will have a large number of quality second hand uniforms on sale. CASH only please.

### SCHOOL APP

If you have not already downloaded it, download free from Google Play Store:

**St Peter's Catholic School Cambridge.** The app allows you to send absentee notifications to school, receive alerts from school, gives staff email contacts, read the school newsletter and any other notices that may have gone home with the children. Simple and easy to use - download it today at <http://stpeterscatholic.apps.school.nz/share>



## DAD'S ARMY

The Dad's Army is an initiative with the following objectives;

1. To provide a workforce to get jobs done around the school and community.
2. To allow the men within the Cambridge community to get together and talk (preferably over a couple of lemonades!!)

The first assignment was completed last Friday night with the space between the hall and pool cleared. A big thank you to all the people who gave up their time to help out on this project. Our Garden Group is already planning what to plant in the space. Replanting will take place when conditions are more favourable.



## 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.

# FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

## FOCUS: LOVE



## Prayer To Love As Jesus Loved

Heavenly Father, more and more I come to understand what the Lord Jesus meant when He said that He is one with the Father and prayed that His disciples, may be one. I see that love is a precious union of heart and a sweet communion of spirit, and just as the Father and Son emanate the same powerful love – so we too are to have that same beautiful love developing in us, by the power of the Spirit.



Lord I pray that the body of Christ may become united as one, and abound in the unity of the spirit more and more, in love - not compromising truth but showing a genuine concern for one another. I pray that individually and collectively we may live godly lives in Christ Jesus and seek to encourage and edify one another, seeking to be of the same mind and having the same godly love for each another.

I pray that we may be united in spirit and in purpose, and that we do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but rather with humility of mind regard the needs of the other as more important than our own. This I ask in the name of Jesus – Who died for us all.

Amen

## WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

**Saturday** - 5.30 pm

**Sunday** - 8.30 am

## CAUGHT BEING CARING

Zara Thompson, Ben Callender, Oliver Miers, Caitlin Kavanagh and Anton Joseph

## CLASS AWARDS:

**ROOM 1:** *Aiden Lijo* - Welcome! We hope you will be very happy here and make lots of lovely new friends.

*Ben Callender* - Welcome! We hope you will be very happy here and make lots of lovely new friends.

*Harjot Sing* - Welcome! We hope you will be very happy here and make lots of lovely new friends.

*George Axon* - Welcome! We hope you will be very happy here and make lots of lovely new friends.

*Tikva Frank Navarro* - Welcome! We hope you will be very happy here and make lots of lovely new friends.

**ROOM 3:** *Oliver Chubb* - for trying his best to 'give things a go' and being a risk taker.

*Lilly Bell* - for being an amazing self-manager, completing work to a high standard and her fantastic work ethic.

*Kieran Anderson* - for being an excellent role model in class and showing leadership skills.

*Alice Cho* – for writing an awesome letter to the teacher about herself.

*Alistair Stokes* – for great reading.

**ROOM 4:** *Pippa Peacocke* - for being an active learner in Room 4 and contributing her ideas.

*Lily Cai* – working hard at understanding every aspect of our school and wanting to be involved.

*Bill Shi* – for trying hard in Room 4 and giving everything a go.

*Nico Gall* - for stepping up and being a role model in Room 4.

**ROOM 5:** *Rosie Callender* - for settling well into her new school.

*Emily-Faye Wellbeloved* - for her hard work and determination to improve her swimming.

*Carl Shen* - for settling in well to his new school.

**ROOM 6:** *Sahara Taane* - for her focus and great contributions to our 'People Savers' First Aid Course.

*Fletcher Kerr* – for his perseverance and great progress in swimming lessons.

*Nick Toohey* – for his focus and great contributions to our 'People Savers' First Aid Course.

*Sarah Hannon* – for settling in quickly to Room 6 and our school.

**ROOM 7:** *Jamie Owsley* - for his enthusiasm towards all his learning – especially science.

*Jack Harris* - for his amazing focused start to the year.

**ROOM 8:** *Carter McNab* - for working so hard with his reading and spelling strategies.

*Matthew Sommerville* - for being so enthusiastic with his Inquiry learning.

*Cillian Punch* - for clever observing and research with his mini-inquiry about cicadas.

*Chloe Banner-Dryland* – for being an awesome listener and being very focused on her learning.

### VISION & HEARING TESTING

The Vision & Hearing Technician will be visiting our school on Thursday, 14 March 2019. They will do routine checks on children who haven't already completed their checks. Please see leaflet at back of newsletter for more information.



**Have you entered yet? Beat the late entry price increase on 1<sup>st</sup> March**

The Lugtons Waipa Fun Run is one of our school's major fundraisers. Why not consider entering either the JSWAP 10 km run/walk, Inspo 5 km run/walk, or organise a team of three friends and enter the Cambridge New World Teams Challenge. Register online at [www.waipafunrun.co.nz](http://www.waipafunrun.co.nz) Take advantage of the early bird entry fee and register before 1<sup>st</sup> March.

If your Year 3-8 child would like to register for our school team in the 2km Schools Challenge, please either register online or at the school office - \$7.00 per child. We would like to see our school represented by as many students as possible.

### HELP, HELP, HELP!

Thank you those who have already volunteered their help. If you can help us we would be very grateful. We particularly need:

- marshalls on the day – we now have 20 and need another 20
- set up/pack up crew
- **over-night security at Victoria Square on Saturday, 9th March** (You will either sleep in the Cricket Pavilion overnight or in your van/station wagon in Victoria Square beside our tents). Without overnight security we cannot leave anything set up. We need two adults for this very important job).

If you can help please fill in the form on the front office counter or email/contact Donna at the school office. Thank you.

### Waipa Fun Run PTFA Food Stall

Help! The PTFA would love donations of cupcakes, bliss balls or (uncut) brownie for the PTFA to sell at the Waipa Fun Run. Please drop to school on Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> March in the morning in an airtight container. Thank you!!



### School Trustee Elections - Friday 7 June 2019

Every three years state and state-integrated school communities elect their parent and staff trustees to help govern their schools. Right now boards around the country are preparing to hold their 2019 triennial school board of trustee elections. The election date is Friday, 7 June.

We will have four parent trustee spaces to fill. If you are interested in knowing more about what a School Board does, go to [www.trustee-election.co.nz](http://www.trustee-election.co.nz) and select "Becoming a Trustee" or contact Phil Deason our current Board Chair on 021499658.



## St Peter's Catholic News

### All sorted - Go St Peters Young Vinnies

Young Vinnies are all sorted for 2019. We have a very enthusiastic group of year 7 & 8s who are all ready for a great year ahead. I shall begin by introducing our group of Vinnies:

Murray, William G, Josh, Nick, Grace, Katie, Julie, Maddie, Millie, Izzy, Zara, Olivia, Sophia, Tessa M, Luca, Caitlin, Tessa P, Miki and Mila.



Well done Olivia on becoming our President and Zara who is our Secretary. Congratulations go to the following people: Sophia, William G, Josh and Miki who will be our Treasurers. Finally, Katie and Luca, our Reporters, will keep you informed of our activities this year. Also well done to Maddie for becoming the public speaker. A big thank you, Mrs McCreery, for helping us to sort out our positions.

Our first activity for the year will be the Lent money collection. Each classroom will be given a money box to collect coins and each week we will announce the winning class. The 5<sup>th</sup> April is National Gumboot Day and we are planning to run a few activities on this day. Keep an eye out for more news to come.

By Luca Macrides

## DATES COMING UP

### FEBRUARY

28<sup>th</sup> Open Morning 9 am-12 noon

28<sup>th</sup> Room 3 Class Mass – 9 am

### MARCH:

1<sup>st</sup> Senior Swimming Sports at St Peter's Private School

6<sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday – whole school attend Mass 9am

7<sup>th</sup> Assembly – Junior Hub 2 pm

8<sup>th</sup> Junior Swimming Sports

14<sup>th</sup> Room 8 Class Mass – 9 am

14<sup>th</sup> Vision & Hearing Testing (for those not yet completed)

10<sup>th</sup> Lugtons Waipa Fun Run

13<sup>th</sup> Learning Discussions - 1.30-5.15 pm

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Friday: Pool Party from 3-5 pm & juices for sale



## COMMUNITY NOTICES

DO YOU WANT TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS IN 2019? Join one of our Passionist Family Groups to have fun – picnics, BBQs, games nights, walks, outings and pot-luck dinners - with a group of like-minded individuals and families in the St Peters school/church community. For further details please ring or text Bernadette on 8275030 or 021-487812 or email her at [lyon-manning@outlook.co.nz](mailto:lyon-manning@outlook.co.nz)



# POOL PARTY FRIDAY!

Join us this Friday from 3pm-5pm for  
a DIP in the pool and a Juicie!

**Swim \$1 & \$2 Juicie**



PARENTS TO  
BE PRESENT  
PLEASE



## Information Sheet on Vision and Hearing Checks in School

Vision Hearing Technicians from Community and Southern Rural Health will be visiting our school. The objective of the test is to identify previously undetected vision and hearing defects.

### Which children are routinely checked?

- Catch up screening for children who have not completed vision and hearing checks as part of their B4 School Check
- Children absent from previous visit, require retests or follow up
- New Immigrants
- All Year 7 student's vision only

If there is a genuine concern, parents and teachers may request a vision or hearing check NB; parents must consent to this

### What tests are carried out?

#### Ears

- Audiometry (hearing test)
- Tympanometry – middle ear function test (only carried out when hearing test is not within a normal range)

#### Eyes

Long distance vision tests – not a complete visual examination, but a simple screening test

*NB All of these checks are non-invasive, safe and should cause no discomfort.*

### The Vision Hearing Technician will:

- Notify parents of all test results
- Enter results on Ministry of Education database (Enrol)

The Vision Hearing Technician will obtain personal details from the school ie; names, date of birth.

If the technician needs to contact parents or caregivers following the visit, addresses and phone numbers will also be required.

Our Service may share this information with other health professionals involved in the children's care.

If any parents/caregivers **do not** want their child to be checked, or their child is currently under specialist care for a vision or hearing defect, they should let the school know.

Please join us for the

2019

# Blue & Gold Lunch

Friday 12 April 12.30pm

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The Narrows Landing, Tamahere

Guest Sporting Panel

Marty Holah, Ken Rutherford and Ricki Herbert

Table of 10 - \$1200 (no GST)

A St John's College Foundation and Old Boy's Event



Proceeds help the Foundation to financially support St John's College with scholarships, student welfare, programmes and facilities

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