



Kia Ora Koutou

He moana pukepuke e ekengia e te waka
A choppy sea can be navigated

Term 4 is a busy term with a lot of events and trips happening but with detailed planning from teachers and support from parents we can navigate our way through. This week we have the Year 5 and 6 at Port Waikato Camp. Next Friday the Year 3 and 4 have an Outdoor Education Day at Lake Karapiro. In the middle of the term the Year 1 and 2 students have a Zoo trip planned. Keep an eye on Facebook or the School App for other events happening this term.

This term's RE focus is on the Jesus strand. This is where the students learn about the life and times of Jesus. It's a great opportunity to really look at the stories in the new testament. More information can be found on page 23 on this link <http://www.faithalive.org.nz/assets/REBD/The-REBD-2018-V2.pdf>

Junior Jive/Senior Social

The Junior Jive and Senior Social were held on the last Wednesday of last term. Both events were a success with the children having a lot of fun. Thank you to the Student Councillors for their efforts in planning these events. The tradition is that the money raised goes towards a gift to the school from the Year 8s. In the past the gifts have been house flags, chess area mural, House Shields in the Hall and sandpit toys. Last year the money went towards the new disco lights.

Grandparents Day

The last Thursday of term 3 was Grandparents Day here at School. We had a large number of grandparents attend the day's events. This is an important day on the school calendar as grandparents play a special part in children's lives. The children really enjoyed showing their grandparents their classrooms. The photos of the day have been posted on the school Facebook page.



Open Morning

We have an Open Morning coming up on Thursday, 7 November. These mornings are an opportunity for new students and parents to come in and have a look at the great things that are happening. Please pass this information onto other prospective parents.

School/Classroom Structure for 2020

Currently, we are looking at the structure of the school next year. We are waiting on confirmation of numbers so that we can shape up what the classes will look like next year. Please email Donna at office@stpeterscatholic.school.nz if you have a child starting school here next year so that we can factor that into our planning.

Kia manaaki te Atua koutou katoa

Grant Stuart
PRINCIPAL

Any feedback please send an email to: feedback@stpeterscatholic.school.nz

FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

FOCUS: PATIENCE



Persistence in Prayer



The Bible teaches us that just as our parents want what is best for us and will give us what we ask for, God, our heavenly Father, also hears and answers our requests. Sometimes we ask God for something one time and never mention it again. Maybe that is our impatience showing. When we ask for something, we want God to say "yes," and we want Him to say it right now! Jesus said that we should always pray and not give up. Perhaps God just wants us to show that we are really serious about what we are asking of Him. Does this mean that if we keep asking for something over and over again that God will always give it to us? No, but He loves us and wants what is best for us, and He will answer, "yes" if He can.

Dear Father, teach us to pray -- and teach us to be patient and persistent in prayer. If we desire good things, remind us that we need to pray and pray again. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

CAUGHT BEING CARING:

Cillian Punch, Ryan Vanderpyl, Issie Kavanagh

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday: 5.30 pm

Altar Servers: Diyala Chandrasekera & Regan Hounsell

Sunday: 8.30 am

Altar Servers: Peter & Elijah Morton-Jones

Parish News

Fundraising for the new Church Rebuild

ST PETER'S PARISH GARAGE SALE FUNDRAISER:

Spring cleaning? Please save any unwanted items for our upcoming Garage sale: household items (no electrical) quality re-saleable clothing, homemade goodies, Christmas craft, knitting, plants/seedlings etc. Donated items can be left in the Parish Lounge (adjacent to the Church) or phone to have them collected: Megan Ph: 021-396-016 or Erin Ph: 021-212-5258. More details to come, Thank you.

RAFFLE ITEMS NEEDED- PARISH FUNDRAISER:

As part of the Garage Sale fundraiser, we will be holding a raffle. If you would like to donate raffle items - Grocery items, vouchers and Christmas goodies etc. please drop off in the labelled container at the School Office. Any enquiries please call Megan: 021-396-016. Thank you.

KORU FAMILY GROUP:

Join us for Super Fun Family Games - you have never heard of! Make sure you bring some comfy sneakers! On Sunday, 3rd November, at St Peter's Catholic School from 10:30 am bring a plate for shared lunch, own water bottle, picnic blanket and of course your comfy sneakers! WANT TO JOIN? - Join like-minded families/individuals who aim to support and encourage building community, while having fun! We meet monthly-ish at playgrounds, bush walks, cafes etc Please contact Megan for further details: may.megan@gmail.com or Ph: 021-396-016

MISSION DAY

October is called Mission Month. This month Pope Francis has asked that we all think of those in need and pray for those working to help others in other countries.

Our Young Vinnies are busy planning a **Mission Day on Thursday, 7th November from 12.45-1.45 pm at school.**

Our focus will be to raise money for the work the Mission Sisters do throughout the world. Euphrase Barbier, the foundress of our school, started up the order of the Mission Sisters. Some of the Sisters in her congregation then came to New Zealand to open some Catholic Schools in New Zealand; with Saint Peter's being one of them. There are over 900 Mission Sisters currently carrying out Missionary work in 22 different countries throughout the world.

There are 3 projects that our fundraising efforts will support this year:

Gandhiji Memorial Health Centre, North East India - to help pay for a visiting doctor and provide medicines, injections, vitamins and nutrition for patients.

Miriam Niketan Primary School, South India - to help pay for classroom desks and computer

The village of Htamin Htote Myanmar - to provide Education and Health Care.



The Young Vinnies, with the help of our senior students, will be running games, stalls, mini raffles etc. The Young Vinnies would appreciate all families getting behind this fundraising event. More details will follow, but please mark this day on your calendar NOW. Parents are welcome to join us on the day.

YUMMY STICKERS



A big thank you to the families who collected Yummy stickers for our school over the last two terms. These stickers have equated to \$279 worth of sports gear. Families can continue collecting stickers over summer (keep an eye out for them on apples and stone fruit) so that we get a head start for next year. There are 10 house points up for grabs for every sticker collected, or 50 for the yummy bag cut out.

Download a sticker collection sheet from www.yummyfruit.co.nz or collect a copy from the school office.

SCHOOL UNIFORM/HATS

A reminder that with the warmer weather around the corner, children are to be wearing their full summer uniform after Labour Weekend. This includes the school hat. The school hat must be worn during break times and PE lessons.

Uniform sales take place on a Thursday morning between 8.30-9.30 am during term time. If you are unable to make it in on a Thursday morning, please use our online Uniform Shop which is on our school website [http:// www.stpeterscatholic.school.nz](http://www.stpeterscatholic.school.nz)

Orders made online by Wednesday afternoon will be filled on Thursday morning and will be left at the school office for payment and pick up. Orders made online on a Thursday morning onwards will be available to pick up the following week.

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. 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.

Community News

Battle of the Schools: Due to time constraints, this year a Junior Carnival is being run for all Yr 5/6, Yr 7, Yr 8 and Yr 9 accredited riders on Saturday, 16th November from 10am.

Every school has a chance of winning the Top School Trophy no matter how many riders you have racing due to our points system -- all details for the event are to be found here <https://www.avantidrome.co.nz/.../battle-of-the-schools-2019-...>

To enter contact reception (0800 Velodrome) or book online <https://www.avantidrome.co.nz/track/trackschedule> and go to the relevant day and event.

Waikids Free Ear Clinic Service for children: Wednesday, 20 November, Leamington Primary School, 9am-2.30 pm.

Te Miro Mountain Bike Club: Waterworks Road, Te Miro. Kids Mountain Bike rides, Saturday, 2 November-14 December. Meet at the carpark at 9.45 am for race briefing. Ages 8-15. Under 8 must be accompanied by a parent. Phone Linley 0272363778 for more information.

Dates Coming Up

OCTOBER

22-25 Port Waikato Camp – Year 5 & 6
28 Labour Day – no school
29 BOT Monthly Meeting – 5.45 pm
31 Junior Hub Mass – 9 am
31 Dose 2 HPV Vaccination

NOVEMBER

1st EOTC Day – Year 3 & 4
7 Open Morning 9 am-12 pm
7 Mission Day
7 Assembly - Year 5/6 – 2 pm
8 Whole school athletics

Many of our alerts/reminders are posted directly to our school app. Please follow the instructions below to download.



Installing the St Peters Catholic School App

1. First, [visit the store](#) to download the SchoolAppsNZ app...



2. Once installed, you can access the app from this icon on your phone's homescreen...



3. Simply open the app and search "St Peters Catholic School".