



Followers of Christ

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY

- 7th Welcome Mass for Mr Stuart - 8.30 am
- 8th Parent Camp Meeting - 5. 30 pm
- 9th PTFA Meeting - 7 pm
- 11th Cambridge High Production - Yr 7/8
- 11th Room 1 Assembly - 2 pm
- 16th Tui Ridge Camp - Yr 7/8
- 18th Mass 9 am - Room 5
- 25th Mass 9 am - Room 4
- 29th Boostrix Vaccinations Yr 7/8
- 30th NSW Science



OFFICIAL WELCOME

On Sunday, 7th May, during Sunday Mass at 8.30am, our new Principal, Mr Grant Stuart will be officially welcomed to our parish/school community. The BOT, Parish and PTFA will be in attendance and we invite all parents and students to be part of this Mass. We ask that as many students as possible attend this Mass, and that they are dressed in their school uniform.

Could families please bring a plate to share for morning tea after the Mass.

We look forward to welcoming Grant and his family to St Peter's Catholic School, and introducing him to the community.

ANZAC DAY

Two of our school councillors, Clodagh Bartlett and Joshua Flower, represented our school at the Civic Commemorative Service on ANZAC morning.

Thank you for being such fine ambassadors of our school. A big thank you to

Mrs Di Maio for helping us make our wreath.

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.



Principal's Reflection

E ngā mana, e ngā reo, e rau rangatira mā
Tēnā, koutou katoa

To all authorities, all languages and all chiefly people,
Warm Greetings to you all

We are all on a learning journey, it doesn't matter how old you are or whether you are in Room 1 or Room 7, a student, a teacher or a principal. We are all on this journey. We are never alone on this journey our mums, dads, grandparents, brothers, sisters, teachers and friends are there to help us out.

On Monday I took another step on my learning journey and was welcomed as the new principal. I would like to thank all the teachers, children and parents that were involved in making it a special time for me and my whanau.

This Sunday I will be officially welcomed into the St Peter's Catholic Community at the 8.30am Mass. I would like to invite everyone along to this welcome and warmly invite you to stay for morning tea afterwards.

I look forward to getting to know everyone here at St Peter's Catholic School and helping everyone on their learning journey so everyone can be the best they can be. This term is a busy one with a number of exciting learning experiences for the children. The main ones are the Year 7 and 8 Camp in Rotorua and Noah our School Production. I thank the staff for all their efforts in planning these events.

Nga Mihi Nui

Grant Stuart

THANK YOU

A HUGE thank you to everyone who bought in money to contribute to the Caritas Lenten Collection last term. The total we raised this year was an incredible \$1096.70 at around \$6.64 per student in our school. Wow!!! Fantastic!!

\$929.90 of our total, was raised through the money collected in classrooms each week, and the rest was raised by Sam Townsend and Max Banner. They organised a raffle in the last few weeks of term. Congratulations to Shae Cockburn from Room 3 who won the raffle.



CARITAS have already written, congratulating us on our great work and they are very pleased to have received our donation.

Once again, thank you very much for your generous contributions.

From the Young Vinnies

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Our school uniform shop is open every Thursday morning during term time from 8.30-9.30 am. Winter uniform can now be worn, with it becoming compulsory after Queen's Birthday weekend. Students are reminded that they are to be wearing summer or winter uniform and not a combination of both.



Tomorrow, Thursday, 4th May (**this week only**) the Uniform Shop will also be open from 3-4 pm to give parents more time to get their winter uniforms sorted.

FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



FOCUS: FAITHFULNESS

The source of any kind of faith is ultimately the faith we have in our Creator. It is faith that keeps us trying when we fail and keeps us praying when we're waiting for an answer.



Today, have enough faith in yourself to know that you are utterly loved by the one true God and that He indeed has great faith in you.

A Taste of Faithfulness

Lord, thank you for having faith in me. Help me to believe in the gifts You've given me and help me to use those gifts to Your glory. Amen

CHALLENGE THIS WEEK: Reach for your goals and believe in yourself just as God believes in you.

SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Saturday - 5.30 pm Sunday - 8.30 am

WINTER SPORTS

Term 2 marks the start of the winter sports season. Rugby starts this weekend, netball next weekend and hockey in the next couple of weeks.



There are still a large number of players who have outstanding subs. We need to pay for our teams to compete in these competitions, so can subs please be paid by this Friday, 5th May. Thank you for your support with this.

YUMMY STICKERS

We have registered our school to be part of the Yummy Fruit Company School Sticker Promo. Collect the Yummy cut out labels from bags of apples, or individual Yummy apple stickers when purchasing apples from New World, Pak'n Save or participating Four Square stores. This promo goes until 29 September. Ask friends and family to collect the stickers for you as well. The more we collect the more sports gear we will get!



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

JOB VACANCY

The Parish is looking to employ a Caretaker for approximately 10 hours per week. This may well suit a semi-retired person or someone looking for part-time work. A job description/application package is available from the Parish Office.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Danny de Jong, Matteo Di Maio, Lucy Eastwood and Lachlan Kerr for coming second at the Catholic Intermediate School's Quiz in Morrinsville this morning.



PTFA NEWS

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Entertainment books are a local restaurant and activity guide which provides hundreds of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers. The PTFA are selling 2017/18 Entertainment Books and a copy will be sent home next week to all families to view to see if you would like to purchase the book. Another option you may consider purchasing is The Entertainment™ Digital Membership which puts all of the value of the Entertainment™ Book into the customer's smartphone.

This is a wonderful fundraiser for our school and a great way for you to save money. If you/friends/family/neighbours are interested you can purchase this book or the online app. Should you not wish to buy the book we ask you to return it in perfect condition back to school. (If you would prefer **NOT** to have the book sent home, please contact Lyn Lawrey on 027 607 1728 ASAP).

A copy of the Entertainment Book and info is also on display at the school office, or click on the following link www.entbook.co.nz/1541y53

MUFTI DAY SUCCESS!

The last day of Term 1 we held a Mufti Day and asked children to bring a long an item of food to help the Friendly Faces Team create some yummy food for our families in times of need. Thank you for all the gifts of food and a bigger thank you goes to the Friendly Faces



Team for all their time and effort over the holidays to create a host of dishes. A special thanks to Nic Deason, Nic, Maddy and Bella Peacocke and Chrissie Kavanagh, for all your help.

DATES TO REMEMBER

FFT Afternoon Tea – Friday, 26th May
PTFA Meeting– Tuesday, 9th May, 7 pm School Staffroom – all welcome

FRIDAY ICE BLOCKS

The juicy ice blocks have been going down a real treat with our children! This Friday at 3pm the PTFA will be selling them for \$2 each at the front of the school. This will be the last week we will sell them, but we will start this up again in Term 4 when the weather is warmer again!

Thank you for all your support.

Lyn Lawrey, PTFA Chairperson

COMMUNITY NOTICES

KIDS FIND PUBLIC VOICE For confidence - public speaking skills. Kids got raw energy? Shy - won't speak out? Speeches - a nightmare? RING Roz 027 248 2888 or email roz@Speak4Success.co.nz www.Speak4Success.co.nz



Phone **827 6623** for absentees



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