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ST PETER'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

NOVEMBER

- 2nd Year 3/4 EOTC Day
- 2nd Room 4 & 5 Mass - 9.15 am
- 5th School/Parish Mass - 8.30 am
- 8th Open Morning - 9am-12.30 pm
- 10th School Athletics Day
- 19th First Communion

"Painting" Party

A big thanks to the wonderful "painters" who under the guidance of Monica Williams transformed our Music Suite on Sunday. There is still some work to be done but we are well on our way to having a very cool Music Suite.



SCHOLASTIC LUCKY BOOK CLUB

Lucky Book Club booklets were sent home yesterday. If you would like to place an order, please return the form in a sealed envelope to the order box kept at the office, or use the online Loop ordering system. Orders need to be in by Tuesday, 6th November. No cash or EFTPOS payments please.



FYI - There will also be a book sale this term at the Grandparents Day on Tuesday, 21st November. The books will be provided by our local Paper Plus book shop.

UNIFORMS

The wearing of summer uniform is now compulsory. Please note, students are to wear sandals are plain black with no coloured stitching. Hats are compulsory. No hat no play.



A reminder that hair longer than collar length must be tied up with either red or blue hair ties or uniform headbands/skrunchies which are available from our Uniform Shop. The Uniform Shop is open every Thursday from 8.30-9.30 am.

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

Kia Ora Koutou,

Uniform and Hats

Just a reminder with the warmer weather that the children should be wearing summer uniform. This includes the school hat, this must be worn during break times and PE lessons. If your child needs a new school hat this can be purchased through the uniform shop on a Thursday morning.

Year 5/6 Camp

Last week I attended the Year 5 and 6's camp at Port Waikato. The children enjoyed participating in a range of outdoor activities. The camp was an outstanding success with excellent organisation thanks to Mrs Denise Gordon – this was her ninth Port Waikato Camp she has been involved in. Mrs Gordon was ably supported by Mrs Toohey. This was Mrs Toohey's first Port Waikato Camp experience. Also a big thank you to all the parents that went on camp.

Year 3/4 EOTC Day

Tomorrow is the annual Education Outside The Classroom (EOTC) day for our Year 3-4 students, this will be held at Lake Karapiro. The children will be able to take part in a number of activities throughout the day including team building activities. Thank you to Mrs Hounsell and Miss D'Cruz for their organisation of this day.

Building Update

The re-development work of Rooms 1 & 2 is progressing well, with demolition now complete, construction of the new deck has begun. The building will be re-cladded shortly.

Waipa Fun Run

Planning is well under way for the 2018 event, with a number of sponsors recommitting to the race. The next step in the organisation is to set up the sub-committees and define their roles and responsibilities for the different areas. There is a meeting next Tuesday at 2.15 pm for those interested in helping with this event. See information sheet in this newsletter for more information.

Open Morning

We have an Open Morning coming up on Wednesday, 8th 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 on to other prospective parents.



A special welcome to Cillian Punch who started in Room 2 today. We hope you enjoy your time at St Peter's Catholic School.

Kia manaaki te Atua koutou katoa

Grant Stuart
PRINCIPAL

PARISH/SCHOOL MASS



This Sunday, 5th November at 8.30 am is our Term 4 School/Parish Sunday Mass. We invite all parents and students to join us in this celebration. Many of our students will be taking roles throughout the Mass.

Could all families please provide a plate of food for morning tea after Mass.

See you there!



SCHOOL FUNDRASIER

The REMAX Waipa Fun Run which our school has organised for the past six years is on again on Sunday, 11th March 2018.

BACKGROUND OF WAIPA FUN RUN:

For the past eleven years, St Peters Catholic School has been a Project Energize school under the guidance of Sport Waikato. We are committed to putting the “Healthy Bodies, Active Minds” philosophy into action. Organising the Waipa Fun Run and Walk was an opportunity to promote healthy pastimes to our students and their families, while showcasing the beautiful town of Cambridge.

The Waipa Fun Run started in 2012 and is a great community event. The Event covers a 10 km run and walk, 5 km run and walk, a 2 km School Challenge and a 5 km Team Challenge. Each of these events has a naming sponsor. In 2016 REMAX came on board as an overall naming sponsor. The event has grown each year, attracting four hundred runners and walkers in the 5 and 10 km events and 350 children in the Schools Challenge. Over the last two years our Team Challenge has also continued to grow.

Many businesses from around the Cambridge area have come on board with sponsorship and prizes for this exciting event. In 2014 we took on Cambridge Lifeskills as a charity partner, and have proudly donated \$1 per entry to this wonderful organisation who helps so many Cambridge school aged children.

This event is a major fundraiser for our school and provides much needed funds towards our Outdoor Learning Environment projects and other necessary resources for our school. A massive \$17,500 was raised from this event in 2017. We are aiming for this year’s event to be our biggest and best ever.

We look forward to continuing to grow a high quality, well organised community event for the seventh year on 11th March 2018, but we need your help to ensure the continued success of the REMAX Waipa Fun Run.

A meeting will be held for all parents/caregivers who would be interested in being involved on Tuesday, 7th November at 2.15 pm in the Staffroom.

We will be looking for people for the following teams:
Sponsorship, Marketing, Site Manager, Spot Prizes, Course, and Health & Safety.

If you would like to know more about how you can help we would love to hear from you.





PTFA CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE 2017



On **FRIDAY 3RD NOVEMBER** the school are having a **MUFTI DAY**, and we would kindly ask if your child could bring an item along to donate towards our xmas raffle hampers.

SUGGESTED DONATIONS:

- Room 1** Xmas / eg: Mince pies, Chocolates, Xmas inspired food etc
- Room 2** Bottles / eg: wine, sauces, desert sauces etc
- Room 3** Jars / eg: salsa dips, jams, chutneys, olives, coffee etc
- Room 4** Bathroom / eg: Hand creams, soaps, bubble bath
- Room 5** Packets / eg: Sweets, Chips, popcorn, pretzels, crackers etc
- Room 6** Jars / eg: salsa dips, jams, chutneys, olives, coffee etc
- Room 7** Xmas / eg: Dried fruit/Nuts, chocolates

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The above examples are just ideas and if you have an item that doesn't fall into the above categories, we would still love to receive it. Please note we cannot include expired food in the raffle.
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**Kindly hand in your donations on
FRIDAY 3RD NOVEMBER PLEASE
Drop off boxes will be available in each class.**

(Raffle will be drawn on Thursday 14th December)

Raffle books will be sent home shortly.



PROFITS FROM THIS YEAR'S RAFFLE
will go towards our new Outdoor learning environment. - Astroturf pitch, new swimming pool changing rooms, landscaping)



FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



FOCUS: PATIENCE

Blessings Devised by God

God speaks to use in many ways,
Altering our lives, our plans and days
And His blessings come in many guises
That He along in love devises,
And sorrow, which we dread so much,
Can bring a very healing touch ...
For when we fail to heed His voice
We leave the Lord no other choice
Except to use a firm, stern hand
To make us know He's in command ...
For on the wings of loss and pain,
The peace we often sought in vain
Will come to use with sweet surprise,
For God is merciful and wise ...
And through dark hours of tribulation
God gives us time for meditation,
And nothing can be counted loss
Which teaches us to bear our cross.



CHALLENGE FOR THE WEEK:

During this week reflect on how you treat others.

SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Saturday - 5.30 pm Sunday - 8.30 am

Bishop Hudson has been invited to our Diocese to speak on Evangelisation, and his presentations are being used to launch Module 2 of "With hearts Burning". Hear Bishop Hudson speak at St Mary's Parish Rotorua, 11am this Saturday, 4 November or The Gerry Sullivan Centre - behind Marian School Hamilton, 2.30 this Sunday, 5 November.



AG DAY

Two of our students, Amara Casey & Bristol Maugham attended Roto-o-rangi School's Agriculture Day on 20th October. After eight weeks of daily feeding, caring and training the lambs their hard work paid off with success at Ag Day. We are very proud of their efforts.

ROUND THE BRIDGES

Sunday, 19th November 2017

It's not too late to enter the Grassroots Trust 2 km Kids Challenge for students aged 7-13 takes on Sunday, 19th November.



The course is a 1km lap on Victoria Street, Hamilton which will be run twice. The course is supervised by event staff and Team Energize, and is designed to be safe for children to participate on their own.

If your child would like to enter go to www.roundthebridges.co.nz and remember to link to our team "St Peter's Catholic School".

Phone **827 6623** for absentees

PTFA NEWS

Calendar Art Reminder:

You still have time to place your order for calendar art. All orders for calendar art need to be in by this Friday, 3rd November. Please contact Lyn Lawrey on 0276071728 if you have any queries.



Mufti Day:

This Friday, 3 November is Mufti Day.

Please bring an item for our Christmas Raffle. Refer to flyer in this newsletter for details.

Thank you for your support.

CLASS AWARDS

ROOM 1: *Penny Boss* - for settling in so well to school and being a great listener.

Charlie Thompson - for settling in so well to school and making new friends.

Benji Fernie - for working hard with fluency when reading a book out loud.

Kaycee Combrinck - for being more independent with his story writing and taking risks with hard words.

ROOM 2: *Nyla Mayne* - for always displaying a fantastic work ethic and producing work of a high standard in reading, writing and maths.

Isabelle Whittaker - for having a positive attitude to her learning and working hard.

Kingston Keijzer - for becoming a powerful writer.

ROOM 3: *Sophie Sinclair* - for being a fantastic self-manager who works well independently and with others.

Pippa Peacocke - for working diligently in all areas and giving her best to everything she does.

Layla Morgan - for showing the Fruits of the Holy Spirit and always thinking of others.

ROOM 6: *Riley Martinovich* - for pleasing results in Maths - particularly in Geometry.

Clodagh Bartlett - for gaining 100% in her Geometry test.

Danny Shen - for excellent work in Maths, particularly in Geometry.

Matteo Di Maio - for fantastic writing and work ethic.

Kerryn Baker - for very pleasing progress in Maths.

Jenna Durran-Wolff - for excellent work in Maths, particularly in a recent Geometry test.

Danny de Jong - for fantastic writing and work ethic.

ROOM 7: *Raghav Kaushik* - for putting 100% effort into his maths and showing different strategies.

Netball Uniforms

Could the last few netball uniforms that haven't been returned please URGENTLY return to the school office this week, in a named plastic bag. Please ensure that netball jackets are washed in cold water before they are returned. Can netball players also check to see if they have any other netball uniform items at home as some are missing.



Grandparents Day
Tuesday, 21 November
Information to follow.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Babysitter Available: My name is Sophie Young, and I am 15 years old. I am a past pupil of St Peters Catholic School and currently a student at Sacred Heart Girls College. I am fundraising for a school trip to Rome to visit the Vatican City in 2019. I live in Cambridge and am available to babysit at weekends. My contact phone is 823 2925.



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