



Followers of Christ

# ST PETER'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### March

- 2<sup>nd</sup> PTFA Meeting - 7 pm
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Jnr School Swimming Sports - 5-7 yrs
- 4<sup>th</sup> Assembly led by Room 2 - 2.15 pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> Parish/School Mass - 8.30 am
- 7<sup>th</sup> CIS Swimming Sports - Yr 7/8
- 7<sup>th</sup> Learning Conversations - 3.30-8 pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> Learning Conversations - 3.30-6 pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> HPV Vaccinations
- 16<sup>th</sup> Waikato Swimming Sports
- 18<sup>th</sup> Assembly led by Room 5

### SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS

Congratulations to all our swimmers on Friday. A huge thank you to Mr L and Mrs Deeley for co-ordinating the Swimming Sports. Once again our parents were fantastic and proved invaluable support with this event. Thank you very much.



We were delighted with our parent/teacher relay team who were fantastic role models for our children.

### JUNIOR SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS

We look forward to our junior school swimming sports tomorrow (Thursday, 3 March) in our school pool at 2.00 pm. The Junior Swimming Sports are for ages 5-7yrs. This is a lovely opportunity for our children to showcase some of their skills in the pool. The children are to come to school in their house colours tomorrow.

The PTFA will be selling tea, coffee, cool drinks and cakes at the junior swimming sports.



Sunday, 13th March 2016

### REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW!

It is pleasing to see the number of children from our school who have already registered. If your child is in Year 3-8 and would like to join our 2km Schools Challenge team for the Remax Waipa Fun Run please register at the school office. The cost is \$5 per child. There are three sections Years 3 & 4; Year 5 & 6 and Year 7 & 8.

Please consider entering either the JSWAP 10 km run/walk, Smiths Sports Shoes 5 km run/walk, or organise a team of four friends and enter the New World Cambridge Teams Challenge. Great prizes!

## Principal's Reflection

Tena Koutou Katoa - greetings to our community

*Me haere tahi tatou me Te Ariki We walk as one with Christ*

This beautiful phrase reminds us of our mission in life. Demonstrating the important link between school and parish we are going to replicate the phrase above the altar on our Administration Block. We are also replacing our front of school sign and installing a sign directing people to our school office via our board walk. These signs will be installed by the end of Term one.

### INTERNET HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Cambridge Principals Association has organised John Parsons (an Internet Safety and Risk Assessment Consultant to schools, the private sector and the health sector, providing specialist advice and direction on the safe use of Digital Communication Technology) to work in our schools next week. John will deliver student, staff and parent sessions. We will have two student workshops for our Years 5-6 and 7-8 students on Friday, 11th March @ 1.30pm.

#### Student workshop: Protecting and Valuing Identity

The philosophy within this education is to help the student learn to make informed ethical decisions founded on common decency and reasonable standards of right and wrong. Topics covered include:

- Learning how to repel and report unwanted attention when playing online games or using social media platforms
- Empowering students to support each other in times of need
- How to communicate confidently online
- Learning to nurture and protect online identity.



The Workshop for Parents/Guardians will identify the specific challenges children face when using ICT. Our parents are invited to join Goodwood School on Thursday, 10th March 7-8.30pm. A gold coin donation would be appreciated.

The parent workshop will inform parents and gives them the tools to support their children in how to use ICT safely and ethically at home and at school.

Includes guidance on behaviour management processes for parents in the practical situations they will face. This workshop empowers parents to take responsibility for safeguarding their children. Please take advantage of this excellent opportunity to discover how best to protect and support our children in today's digital environment.

### PARISH-SCHOOL MASS

Sunday, 6th March @ 8.30am



This Sunday we will have our first Parish School mass of the year. We will have our new Parish Priest Fr Leonard Danvers celebrating Mass with us. Our students will be involved in many roles during the mass. Following Mass we will have a shared morning tea. As it is Children's Day please bring something that children would like. Please join us for this lovely parish/school Mass.

### PRINCIPAL APPRAISAL

In order to complete my principal appraisal for 2015/2016 feedback from stakeholder groups within our school is required. On Tuesday, 15th March my appraiser MaryAnn Baxter will be in school conducting interviews with staff, BOT members and parents. Ideally she would like two groups of between 4-6 parents to meet with her. We would schedule these sessions at 8.30-9.00/9.00-9.30 or 2.30-3.00 pm. If you would be available for one of these sessions please either catch me or email me. Many thanks.



## FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



## FOCUS: GENEROSITY

God is patient with us, even when we turn away from him and sin. God is always hopeful that we will ask for his forgiveness. God doesn't give up on us. Instead, God continually reaches out to us, helping us to become the people that he intends for us to be. During Lent, we remember that God helps us - reaching out to us with love, patience, and hopefulness that we will return to him in love.



**CHALLENGE:** What are you doing with your Lenten promise? Don't give up on it. God will not give up on you!

### "Caught Being Caring"

**Courtney Ndoro, Pippa Owsley, Ryan Vanderpyl, Charlyze McWatters, Charlie Wallace, Nico van Veldhoven, Zoe Deason, Hannah Innes, Kirsten Young & Jenna Durran-Wolff**

#### 24 hours for the Lord Friday, 4th March

In response to Pope Francis' call for 24 hours for the Lord we have been invited to be part of our parish's prayer. We have 26 children who have volunteered. Mrs McCreery has rostered the children on in 10 minute blocks between 1.30 and 2.45 pm. Parents are most welcome to join us during this time.

#### Learning Conversations

We are holding Learning Conversations on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm - 8.00pm and Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> March 3.30 - 6.00 pm

These Learning Conversations are held between the teacher, the student and the parent. If you haven't already booked there are still some spaces left. Parents are able to go online to book their appointment times at [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/book](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/book). The code for booking is rybjs.



#### Netball 2016

Are there any other students who wish to play netball this year? We are organising our teams and need to finalise our numbers. Please ensure you have let Mrs White know if you would like to play netball this year.



#### Parents of Year 4 netball players

This year we have the choice of two options - either the regular 7 aside netball competition each Saturday, or Saturday at 2.30pm which involves coaching and a 5 aside game. We will hold a short meeting on Friday at 2.55 pm to explain the options.

#### RUGBY

Are there any more Year 1-6 players that didn't sign up at the muster on Monday. Please see Mrs Warwick before Monday, 7th March if you would like to play.

Phone **827 6623** for absentees

#### BE BRIGHT EAT RIGHT MAGIC SHOW

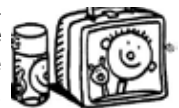
The magic show "Be Bright Eat Right" was performed at our school last Wednesday, 24th February. The show cost \$3.50 per student. There are a number of children who still need to pay for this. Could the \$3.50 per student please be paid at the school office either by cash, EFTPOS or deposited in the school bank account Westpac 03 1568 0009985 00 Reference "Show".

## CLASS AWARDS

**ROOM 1:** *Oliver Plant* - for settling in well to school and following instructions.  
*Carter McNab* - for settling in well to school and following instructions.  
*Rose Kennedy* - for settling in well to class routines and always sharing her happy smile.  
*Kingston Keijzer* - for extra learning with spelling and maths.  
*Zoe Deason* - for being helpful, kind and caring in Room 1.  
**ROOM 2:** *O'Neil Roeti* - welcome to St Peter's Catholic School and our Room 2 family.  
*Charlyze McWatters* - welcome to St Peter's Catholic School and our Room 2 family.  
*Harlem Curran* - welcome to St Peter's Catholic School and our Room 2 family.  
*Ben Davies* - welcome to St Peter's Catholic School and our Room 2 family.  
*Campbell Durran-Wolff* - welcome to St Peter's Catholic School and our Room 2 family.  
**ROOM 4:** *Maddy Peacocke* - for being an organised and very helpful member of Room 4.  
*Courtney Ndoro* - for showing the Fruit of Generosity to everyone.  
*Hannah Innes* - for the presentation of all of her work.  
**ROOM 5:** *Josh Lawrey* - for consistently setting the example of positive behaviour in Room 5.  
*Olivia Sinclair* - for a focused effort and positive participation during maths sessions.  
**ROOM 6:** *Cayla Cameron* - for her positive attitude to focused learning.  
*Garret Wilson* - for his positive attitude towards his learning.  
*Holly Hunt* - for huge efforts and improvement during swimming lessons.  
*Natalie Espin* - for developing her freestyle technique.  
**ROOM 7:** *Lucy Eastwood* - for being an excellent self manager and putting 100% into completing all her maths tasks.  
*Bella Peacocke* - for really 'stepping up' and putting 100% into all her work.  
*Regan Mellor* - for showing kindness and generosity towards his class mates.

#### 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.



## NOTICES

**Baby Sitter:** experienced, reliable babysitter available most nights of the week. References available. Rates negotiable. Ph: Waitotahi on 0273487848.

**St Peter's Netball Club:** desperately need more players for the 2016 season. They cater for all levels and grades from Year 9 up. What about getting a group of friends together to play. Great for socialising and fitness! If you are keen phone Diana Galletta on 8276777.

**JUMP:** Does JUMPing off the wall and flying through the air sound like your kind of fun? JUMP has brought this extreme fun to Auckland & Hamilton with three large indoor trampoline parks that are all about jumping, running, flipping or just benefiting from the fitness and most importantly landing soft and safely. Visit our website for more information and bookings online [www.jumpwithus.co.nz](http://www.jumpwithus.co.nz)

The latest issue of our "Sports Fuel" Sports Newsletter will be emailed home today. Don't forget to check it out!

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