DATES TO REMEMBER

DECEMBER

13th Final School Mass - 9.15 am

13th Prizegiving - 6 pm

17th Last Day of school - 12.30 pm finish

JANUARY 2019

29th Uniform Shop open 9am-12 noon

31st Term 1 commences



For the past eleven years, St Peter's Catholic School has been a Project Energize school with Sport Waikato. We are committed to putting the "Healthy Bodies, Active Minds" philosophy into action. We see organising the Waipa Fun Run and Walk as an opportunity to promote healthy pastimes to our students and their families, while showcasing the beautiful town of Cambridge. Last year we had over 650 runners take part in the different races.

We are currently seeking sponsorship for the Lugton's Waipa Fun Run which is on 10th March 2019.

There are a range of sponsorship opportunities that are available:

Gold Silver Bronze Associate

If you know of a business, group or organisation that might be interested in supporting this great event, please forward their contact details to principal@ stpeterscatholic.school.nz and an information pack will be sent out.

PRIZE GIVING AND YR 8 LEAVERS' LITURGY Thursday, 13th December at 6.00 pm

You are warmly invited to our Prize giving & Year 8 Leavers' Liturgy. All students are to arrive at school by 5.45 pm and assemble in front of Room 4. The students will process

over to the hall in their classes.
Students are asked to wear their school uniform.

After the prize giving there will be a supper in the hall for the Year 8 students and their families. We have a lovely tradition where the families of the Year 7 students provide a small plate for supper. Could these plates be delivered to the hall kitchen as you arrive please.

Principal's Reflection

Kia Ora Koutou

Meri Kirihimete Merry Christmas

As this year draws to a close I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe holiday. It is important to take time out this Advent and remember the reason for the season. I also invite you to participate in the Christmas Celebrations at the Church. The times are as follows:

24th December - Midnight Mass (Carols from 11.30pm) 25th December - Christmas Day Mass 8.30am

For other Mass times around the Diocese please go to: www.proudtobecatholic.org.nz

2018 has been a busy year with a number of rich learning experiences for the children. On top of Reading, Writing and Mathematics there have been many other learning contexts which included PrEP and Tenei au, Tenei ma - This is me, This is us.

Children at St Peter's continue to perform well academically. These results reflect the top quality teaching that continues to be delivered throughout our school. We congratulate one of our Year 8 students, Lucy Eastwood, who has won a scholarship for Cambridge High for 2019. The ongoing success of all our students is something as a community that we can all be proud of.

I'd like to thank and acknowledge these people who have played an important part in our students' learning achievements throughout this year:

- Thank you to the Board of Trustees for the commitment they invest in our school and for all their support throughout the year working alongside us to achieve the many learning opportunities for our learners like Kapa Haka and the Performing
- A special thanks to our hard working parents on the PTFA for their many contributions which we value immensely – their support helps create wonderful learning facilities, opportunities and possibilities – their work enables us to create rich learning experiences for your children.
- To all of the St Peter's staff thank you ALL, for your dedication, drive, fortitude
 and desire to achieve the very best for our learners. I hope that you have a welldeserved and wonderful holiday.
- We farewell our 2018 Year 8 leavers this group is an astute and confident group
 of young people who will go on to do great things. This coming Monday they will
 be leaving St Peter's well equipped to achieve success as learners. We wish them
 great accomplishments in all their endeavours.

Kia manaaki te Atua koutou katoa

Grant Stuart PRINCIPAL







GALA CAKE WINNERS

Congratulations to the Millen and Hounsell families who jointly won the Cake Box Competition at the gala and to Nico Gall for his third placing.

There were some spectacular boxes which made it very hard for the judges to choose the winners.

FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



FOCUS: JOY

ADVENT

"Get the road ready for the Lord." These words of John the Baptist serve as the theme for the season of Advent, which means "coming". John is at the Jordan River, urging people to prepare for the coming Messiah. Advent is a time for us to get a road ready for Jesus in our own lives. As another Advent

candle is lit and the wreath grows brighter, it reminds us that we are getting closer to Christmas, and it also reminds us to focus on what we need to do to let God enter more fully into our hearts.

CHALLENGE: Pray that we will be alert to the needs of those around us so that when Jesus returns, he will find us loving one another with selfless love.

ALTAR SERVERS/SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Saturday - 5.30 pm - Isabelle Plant & Regan Hounsell Sunday - 8.30 am - Grace Hodgson & Lucy Ambler

"Caught Being Caring"

Carrie Sheehan, Ruby-Faith Sauni, Lilly Bell, Regan Hounsell,Harper Taane,Lachlan McQuade,Jacob Gall, Pippa Peacocke

NSW RESULTS

Congratulations to the following students who performed particularly well in the recent NSW exams:

Spelling

Year 4: High Distinction: Ava Lovett

Year 8: Credit – Lucy Eastwood; Merit – Daniel Plant

Science

Year 5: Merit - Ryan Fisher; Credit - Aden Joseph

Year 6: Distinction – Willem Groenendijk; Credit – Angus MacGillivrav

Year 7: Credit - Liam Fisher

Year 8: Credit - Bruno Hare & Daniel Plant

English

Year 4: Credit - Claire Gerring

Year 5: Credit – Ryan Fisher & Grace Hodgson

Year 6: High Distinction - Angus MacGillivray; Merit -

Grace Purdie

Year 8: Credit - Lucy Eastwood & Bruno Hare

Writing

Year 4: Distinction – Ava Lovett; Credit – Claire Gerring **Mathematics**

Year 5: Merit - Aden Joseph

Year 6: Merit - Sophia Jang

Year 7: Merit - Liam Fisher

Year 8: Credit - Bruno Hare & Daniel Plant

STATIONERY LISTS

Stationery/Class lists will go home with the students in their portfolios on Friday. See back of newsletter on how to order stationery online.

CLASS AWARDS

ROOM 1: Penny Boss - for being such a good friend and showing the Fruit of Kindness.

Audrey Ndoro - for being a very independent learner.

Lily Punch - for such an improvement with her reading.

Oliver Chubb - for making such good choices and being an amazing role model for others.

ROOM 2: *Tru Cockburn* - for all her help with decorating the gingerbread men for the gala.

Isabelle Whittaker - for making good choices about friendships and being very helpful with making gingerbread men for the gala. Alistair Stokes - for showing great leadership and having a positive attitude to his learning.

Ruby Paine - for consistently showing the Fruits of the Holy Spirit and for always being a thoughtful member of the class.

ROOM 3: Claire Gerring - for being a wonderful role model to Room 3.

Saoirse Gifford - for always being focussed and enthusiastic during reading sessions.

Elijah Cahayon - for his excellent self-managing skills.

Zoe Deason - for her caring and thoughtful manners to others.

ROOM 4: Robert Powierza - for being a caring friend to everyone in Room 4.

Courtney Ndoro - for being a kind and caring member of Room 4. Lily Cai - for working hard all year and making great progress in class.

Sophia Jang - for completing all her work to a high standard.

ROOM 5: Katy Sandford - for working so hard all year.

Ann Cho - for settling in well to Room 5.

Oliver Lawrey - for working so hard in maths to achieve his learning goals.

Ruby Jack - for looking after her friends when they need her.

ROOM 6: Hee Dutron - for an impressive art piece for the Cutural Inquiry in Room 6.

Hunter Bodle - for his excellent art piece for the Cutural Inquiry in Room 6.

Regan Mellar - for an impressive art replica of a Tui in our Cultural Inquiry.

Ayda Turnbull - for an impressive art replica during our Cultural Inquiry.

Nicole Jackson - for her growth mindset and work ethic towards her successes in maths.

ROOM 7: Zara Thompson - for her awesome work presenting the Room 7 class assembly.

William Greentree - for outstanding results and sportsmanship during inter-school athletics.

Adam Pierce - for preparing the presentation for Room 7's class assembly.

William Huang - for preparing the presentation for Room 7's class assembly.

Miki Harrison - for always showing the Fruits of the Holy Spirit.

LAST LUNCH ORDERS FOR YEAR

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.

KIDS ROCK AFTER SCHOOL CARE

After school care will be available on the following days before Christmas: Monday-Thursday 17th December-20th December 2018 from 7.30 am-5.30 pm. Friday, 21st December 7.30 am-12.30 pm.



Phone 827 6623 for absentees

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12 December 2018

Dear Parent / Guardian.

Back to School Requirements for 2019

We've teamed up with OfficeMax to make Back to School easy!

You'll find your child's school stationery list online at myschool.co.nz

Simply search for our school, select your child's class and/or subject lists and follow the instructions on the website.

Buying through OfficeMax MySchool also earns School Rewards[^] for our school which we can redeem for much needed educational supplies, equipment for our classrooms or to help those students in need.

OfficeMax MySchool makes Back to School easy for you with these great benefits:

- Shop Your Way online at myschool.co.nz, at your local OfficeMax store or by phone 0800 724 440.
- Price Match Promise find a lower price and OfficeMax will match it[^].
- Free Delivery for orders over \$46^. Choose delivery to home or work at a time that suits you.
- Save valuable holiday time avoid busy shopping malls and traffic queues by shopping online from the comfort of your home so your child starts the year with the correct stationery supplies.
- Multiple Payment Options including secure internet banking, credit/debit card and cash in your local OfficeMax store.

If you have any questions about OfficeMax MySchool please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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