

Parish School of Our Lady of Kāpiti



Newsletter - Wednesday 7 December 2016 Term 4

This is the final newsletter for the year and as St Patrick's School - the end of an era.

This place holds many precious memories, good times, sad times and special times in our faith journey as a parish school.

We have grown and developed into a place where Catholic Christian faith is encouraged, nurtured and developed and excellence in all areas of our lives is strived for and celebrated.

The challenge now is to transition to our new school, forge a new story and a new future based on what has been and what has made us into the successful school we have become.

We continue to pray for wisdom as we strive for excellence based on gospel values helping children and those around us to encounter Jesus.

We have amazing kids, amazing staff, families, parish and Parish Priest. We have all achieved what we have achieved by working together. Thank you everyone.

May the love and Peace of Jesus be with you all this Christmas.

2017 SCHOOL YEAR OUR LADY OF KĀPITI SCHOOL Open morning and evening

**Wednesday 1 February
9.00-11.00am and 6.00-8.00pm**

All children and parents welcome to come and view the school and classrooms.

Tuesday 7 February

8.50am - school starts

Children to go directly to their home rooms.

9.30am Parish/school mass

in the new school/parish hall.

Please remember -

when visiting during school hours please enter through main administration and sign in. Thank you.

END OF YEAR MASS

THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER 6.30PM

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

All children are required to attend and wear full summer uniform.

Fr Michael will celebrate Mass.

We also say farewell to our Year 8 students.

This year there is an added special meaning as we mark the end of an era, 62 years of St Patrick's School on our current site.

NATIVITY RAFFLE

Won by Joan Ashcroft



MEDICATION HELD AT SCHOOL

All medication held at school for pupils will be sent home with the appropriate pupil on Friday 9 December. New arrangements will need to be put in place at the new school.

LOST PROPERTY

Please check the lost property containers at school. Any items not collected will be disposed of at the end of this week.



EXCELLENCE & BADGE ASSEMBLY

24 November 2016

The following students received awards for excellence at our special assembly -

Rm 3	Abigail Lotsu, Meikah Sandilands
Rm 4	Georgia Cooper, Annabelle Green
Rm 5	Abel Forsyth, Lucinda Porter
Rm 6	Wilson Barber, Raphael Mettrick
Rm 7	Nathanael Barrett, Stella Hooker
Rm 8	Francis Mettrick, Dayna Richardson



The following students received service badges -

Academic	Courtenay Charles, Amélie Hepple, Thomas Johns, Analise Prakash, Unique Viernes
Arts	Eden Bacani, Evie Walker
Service	Jennifer Clouston, Francis Mettrick, John Paul Postlewait
Sports	Joseph Brunoro-Beilman, Aimee Morgan, John Paul Postlewait
Excellence	Josephine Brooking, Katherine Brooking, Daniel Cooper, Aimee Morgan, Terenz Viernes

School Housekeeping REMINDER - KINDO PAYMENTS

We still have a number of outstanding payments to be made for Kapa Haka and a variety of other activities. Please check through Kindo online. We would appreciate payment as soon as possible.

CHILDCARE 12-16 DECEMBER

This is now organised for next week. Please advise the school office as soon as possible if there are any changes to your written response.

Information has been sent home separately to families requiring supervision.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Thanks to all those families who have donated used uniforms for the school to pass on to others. Please **do not send any more to the school office this year** as we are in the throes of packing prior to our move and cannot store them. If you have any uniforms you wish to donate, please do so next year.

END OF YEAR SPECIAL AWARDS

This year we introduced three special Year 8 awards. These will be awarded annually to senior students based on some specific criteria.

David Meyer Excellence in Leadership

Joseph Barber

Academic Excellence

Keane Gomez

Fr Michael McCabe Special Character Award

Brianna Stuart Berrisford



Lesley Duncan Prize for progress in English

Hope Toleafoa

Izac Fromont Memorial Courage Award

Thomas Johns



OUR KAPA HAKA GROUP AT HUI



COMING EVENTS TERM 4 2016 / TERM 1 2017

DATE	EVENT
Thurs 8 Dec	End of Year Graduation Mass, 6.30pm
Fri 9 Dec	End of Term 4, 12noon
Wed 1 Feb	Open morning at new location for parents/children, 9.30-11.00am
Wed 1 Feb	Open evening at new location for parents/children, 6.30-8.00pm
Tues 7 Feb	Start of Term 1 at new location, 8.50am
Thurs 13 Apr	End of Term 1

PUBLIC NOTICES & HOLIDAY EVENTS

ADRENALIN LASERWAR

Are you looking for a safe fun way to get your kids off the couch and outside this summer. Come visit us at Adrenalin LaserWar and experience our outdoor LaserTag systems. With games starting from \$15.00 this safe non-contact game is suitable for the whole family. Save even more by purchasing your pre-pay booklet online. Just visit www.laserwar.nz then click on special deals! Enquire for your birthday party or family events ring 0800 Adrenalin (236 362) or book online now www.laserwar.nz

EL RANCHO SUMMER CAMPS

Horse Camp, 8+ years, Monday 19 - Tuesday 20 December. *Beach Party Kids Camp*, 8-13 years, Monday 9 – Friday 13 January. *Summer Carnival Kids Camp*, 8-13 years, Tuesday 17 - Saturday 21 January. Call 04 902 6287 or visit www.elrancho.co.nz.

EQUESTRIAN & VAULTING CENTRE

Open Day and Garage Sale Saturday 17 December, 10.30am.

The centre is closed Friday 23 – Monday 26 December, but open all other days.

Summer Vaulting Camp Wednesday 11 - Sunday 15 January; *Summer Pony Camps* Monday 16 - Friday 27 January; *Farm Club* Monday 16 - Friday 27 January, weekdays 9.00am - 3.00pm. Information and bookings: 04 902 6108, www.kapitiequestrian.com or www.facebook.com/KapitiEquestrian

JUMP AFTER SCHOOL CARE AND HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

7.30am-6.00pm for children aged 5-13 years at Jump Indoor Playground / Action Indoor Sports, 4 Manchester St, Paraparaumu. Information and bookings: 022 318 0722 (Ashley), 021 054 0321 (Alex), www.jumpafterschool.nz, bookings@jumpafterschool.nz.

KHAAT SUMMER CAMP JANUARY 2017

KHAAT NZ takes children aged 8-12 years around New Zealand. Children explore new areas, make new friends, learn about different environments, build self-confidence and give back along the way by volunteering. This summer we visit Taupo, Hawke's Bay, and Wairarapa. The fully inclusive camp starts Monday 16 January to Friday 20 January for \$125 per day.

Find out more at www.kiwikhaat.co.nz/khaat-nz

KIDS FOR DRAMA

Kids4Drama are holding master classes for kids and teens over the summer holidays. This is a great opportunity for students to learn off industry professionals and further their dramatic skills while still having lots of fun! Book before 20th December and go in the draw to win a free term of drama classes for 2017. Contact becca@kids4drama.co.nz to book your space or for more information.

LEARN TO SAIL WITH THE PARAMATA BOATING CLUB

Learn to sail courses for children aged 9-14 years. Courses run for 5 days plus an initial pool session. Optimist boats and buoyancy vests are provided. For information or to enrol go to www.paremataboatingclub.org.nz for more information.

LIBRARY SUMMER READING PROGRAMME-SAIL AWAY WITH BOOKS

For children aged 5-12 years. This free programme helps to keep kids enjoying books and engaged with reading over the long summer school break. Register at your library (registration is open until 16 December), pick up your booklet, choose some books, and start reading. Children will then need to report-in weekly on the books they have read, from Wednesday 4 January, and each time they do they receive fun incentives.

ONLINE HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Become your own music producer with Activate Music Academy's Online Holiday Program! We'll workshop your songs, make new friends in the community forum, and get creative to win awesome prizes. Complete beginner? Been making beats for a while? We're going to have a great time making music together! Register and find out more at <https://activatemusic.academy/online-holiday-program/>

SCHOOL HOLIDAY COMPUTER CLASSES

For ages 5-15 years. Includes Minecraft, learn to code in Scratch or Python, creating 3D games, web design, animation, video editing, building a PC and a discovery computer class. For further information call 04 499-2211 or visit www.grandtraining.co.nz.

SWIM KENAKENA

Holiday block swimming lessons. Week 1; Monday 9 - Friday 13 January. Week 2; Monday 16 - Friday 20 January. Week 3; Monday 23 - Friday 27 January. Each week consists of five 30min lessons with a qualified instructor. Costs are \$50 per week. Additional children from the same family are \$30 per week. Information and bookings: Debbie Livingstone 027 254 4542, swim.kenakena@xtra.co.nz, or www.facebook.com/swim.kenakena

TENNIS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Tennis Inc are offering Tennis Hot Shots holiday programme at Paraparaumu Beach Tennis Club for children aged 5-12 years. This is ideal for all keen beginners and those who want to progress into Novice interclub. Dates: Monday 19 - Wednesday 21 December, Monday 9 - Wednesday 11 January, Monday 16 - Wednesday 18 January. Cost is \$20 per player per day. For more information or to register contact Leonie 021 169 0603, leonietennisinc@gmail.com