

Our Lady of Kāpiti School



Newsletter - Wednesday 7 February 2018 Term 1

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to the new year.

Everyone has quickly settled into the new year and already there is a calm peaceful working atmosphere around the school.

Father Michael presided at our opening Mass last Thursday. He encouraged us to ask God for wisdom, a gift of the Holy Spirit and the most important one we can ask for.

Sr Regina the leader of the NZ Presentation Sisters community, led the staff in a retreat before school started. This was a special time together as a staff preparing for the year and learning more about the heritage of the school as nurtured by the Presentation Order, when they came from Ireland to start the school in 1954.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Last week Sr Teresa, one of the two remaining Presentations Sisters here on the Kāpiti Coast, passed away in Ireland. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Presentation Sisters at this time. A memorial mass will be held in St Patrick's Hall next Friday at 9.30am.



Our school in action



FUN DAY AT WAIKANAE POOLS

MONDAY 19TH FEBRUARY

\$6 PER CHILD \$10 PER FAMILY

INCLUDES BUS, SWIM AND BBQ SAUSAGE.

This is a fantastic day out and we'd love you to come and join us. We leave school at 10am and return by 2.30pm



CASUAL BOARD MEMBER VACANCY

A casual vacancy has occurred on the Board of Trustees for a parent representative. The board has resolved under section 105 of the Education Act 1989 to fill the vacancy by selection.



If ten percent or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancies, then a by-election will be held.

Any eligible voter who wishes to ask the board to hold a by-election should write to: Chair, Board of Trustees, Our Lady of Kāpiti School, PO Box 540, Paraparaumu 5254 or email: bot@olok.school.nz by **7 March, 2018**

SOK (SUPPORT OUR KIDS) - FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

With changes to family circumstances and families moving on, the time has come for SOK to review operations, regroup, gather new members and set a new direction.

Later this term we will be having a social evening for those interested in joining this group. Watch this space.

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE

YEAR 4-8—CYBERSAFETY AGREEMENT



All Year 4-8 families were sent home information on BYOD and a Cybersafety Agreement form to complete (whether or not they are bringing their own device).

We need these forms returned as soon as possible as they grant permission for students to use devices at school.



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Absence messages may be left on telephone 298 6780 or text 027 298 6780

FAMILY FORMATION



You are invited to our registration / information evening on Friday, 16 February, 6.30-7.15pm in St Patrick's Hall. Come along and learn about this programme.

KINDO AND SCHOOL COSTS

At Our Lady of Kāpiti School our preferred payment method for fees, donations and contributions is Kindo - our online school shop.

The advantage of paying through Kindo is that you don't have to find the right amount of cash and *certain* items can be paid over time. Exceptions are:

- touch rugby and netball - *no pay no play* activities.
- uniform purchases - please pay within 7 days.

As always though, please let us know if there is a problem, as there are ways we can assist.

How to use Kindo:

* To pay now, please visit our school website and click on "School Shop" or go to mykindo.co.nz.

* NEW USERS... If you do NOT have a kindo account already (at this or another school), click on:

"First time users - how to register"

Kindo now offers payment by American Express, Mastercard, Visa or China Union Pay, by internet banking or by Account2Account (managed internet banking). POLi is coming soon! Credit card payments cost 50c+2.5% (a slight increase on last year) but other methods remain free of charge. You are welcome to add funds to your account regularly in advance, or just pay as you go.

Questions?

Go

to support.mykindo.co.nz or

email hello@mykindo.co.nz

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EOTC Adventures This Term

Teachers are busy organizing some interesting trips for this term. These will include a trip to Kāpiti Island for Year 7 and 8 students and a possible trip to Ngā Manu for the rest of the school.

We are planning on offering a fundraising raffle where all money you collect goes towards your families costs of these trips. More detailed information will be coming out in the next week or so.

A huge THANK YOU to St Vincent De Paul's who provided our school with stationery vouchers to bless some of our families.



TECHNOLOGY - YEAR 7 AND 8 STUDENTS WEDNESDAYS 1.50PM-2.45PM

A highlight of being in Year 7 and 8 is attending Technology weekly at the Raumati Technology Centre.

While attending the centre students will produce take home projects in class.

For cooking classes

Your child will need a food container.

For safety and hygiene in all rooms

Long hair must be tied back

Covered footwear **must** be worn (this is a health and safety requirement)

The annual fee, payable to Our Lady of Kāpiti School, is \$60.00 and has been added to Kindo for payment.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Thank you for the wonderful effort families are putting into ensuring children are wearing the correct school uniform.

The majority of children now have the correct bottle green hat and, for Years 4+, a school PE top and shorts.

We will send home a reminder if your child isn't wearing the correct uniform or regularly fails to bring their PE gear.

HOUSE OF SOUND IN-SCHOOL MUSIC LESSONS



House of Sound provides professional but fun, curriculum based music lessons during the School day. Classes are 25 minutes long and are in groups of 3 - 5. Options available are: Mean Beats (Percussion and Drums), Six String All-Stars (Guitar), Cool Keys (Keyboards) and Star Finders which is an introduction to music for year 2 & 3 Students covering Piano, Ukulele and Percussion. Guitar, Piano and Drum lessons are only available for years 4 and up.

Lessons will run on Wednesday's from 9am onwards starting week 3 of the Term

To enroll your child in these music lessons grab an enrollment form from reception or go to www.houseofsound.co.nz and click the "enrol now" button.

COMING EVENTS TERM 1, 2017

DATE	EVENT
Mondays	School Liturgy 9.00am
Thur 8 Feb	Assembly 9.00am
Wed 14 Feb	Ash Wednesday Mass 9.30am
Fri 16 Feb	Sr Theresa Memorial Mass, Y4-8
Mon 19 Feb	School Picnic - Waikanae Pools
Wed 21 Feb	Board of Trustees meeting, 7.00pm
Thur 15 March	Parent conferences - school finishes at 2.00pm
Tue 20 March	Parent conferences - school finishes at 2.00pm