

Parish School of Our Lady of Kāpiti

St Patrick's Primary School



Newsletter - Wednesday 24 February 2016 Term 1

2nd week of Lent

We have all had 'mountain-top' experiences in life - moments of profound joy and celebration and achievement when everything seemed so clear and worthwhile. Similarly we have had moments 'in the valley' when we could see no way out, no way ahead, only mist and darkness.

Spiritual writers remind us that we live neither on the mountain tops nor in the valleys but that our lives and our journeys of faith are a mixture of both experiences. And, in both experiences, we gradually learn to recognise the voice of God reassuring, challenging, reminding, and calling us in Jesus, 'the beloved Son of God.'

Let us pray for the grace to listen again to the still small voice of God within our hearts this week. May we be open to the God of surprises.

Michael McCabe Our Parish Priest

CARDINAL JOHN'S BLESSING OF NEW SCHOOL SITE

FRIDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2016 AT 11.00AM

ALL WELCOME

Parking on Milne Drive

THREE YEARLY EDUCATION REVIEW OFFICE EXTERNAL REVIEW

During the week beginning 7 March we will be hosting reviewers from the Wanganui office.

Their review report will answer the question 'How effectively is this school's curriculum promoting student learning - engagement, progress and achievement?'

They report on the quality of education and learning outcomes for children and for specific groups of children including Māori students, Pacific students and students with special needs. They also report on the quality of the school's systems for sustaining and continuing improvements. A summary of their report, once finalised, is sent to the Board and is also made available to the school community through their website.



ST PATRICK'S DAY TWILIGHT FAIR THURSDAY 17 MARCH 5.00-7.00PM



This is our last St Pat's fair on the current site.

Let's continue to make it a fun school and parish community event.

We do need some more help with organising - many hands make light work!!

Next meeting

Monday 29 February 9.00am - staffroom

If you can't make the meeting please email the school and let us know your availability, and you will be contacted.

We will be looking for help and contributions from all the school families.

Please book an early finish at work and come and join us.

No cooking for tea that night!

FAMILY PICNIC AT WAIKANAE POOLS

Unfortunately due to the weather we had to cancel this event. We plan to have a trip to the beach before the end of term, and the contributions made for the picnic will be transferred to this.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

The following children received recognition at assembly on 18 February for a positive attitude and success at school, and with their school work

Rm 3	Maddison Gordon, Veroniqa Viernes, Izzy Winter
Rm 4	KC Bantilan, Jace Barrett, Georgia Cooper, William Lemmon
Rm 5	Florencia Allan, Maria Carberry, Abel Forsyth
Rm 6	Wilson Barber, Niamh Gedye, Maddison Gordon, Jessika McClure
Rm 7	Vincente Allan, Helena Brocklebank, Isaak Deed
Rm 8	Daniel Cooper, Dayna Richardson



NOTICES

Today all families have been issued with an envelope containing -

- Statements for start of year activity contributions - one per child.
- Forms detailing personal details and medical conditions - one per child.

Please check details and return these forms with or without amendment to the school offices, as soon as possible.

Families with children who have severe allergies have been sent a note requesting a update of their condition together with permission to display their child's image.

ROYAL NZ BALLET WORKSHOP

Yesterday all classes enjoyed participating.



BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE YEAR 5-8 CYBERSAFETY AGREEMENT

Please note buying a device commercially vs buying through the Whakaaro Trust - *The key difference is that the trust package includes a 3 year replacement insurance for accidental damage.*

Action please all Year 5-8 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.



COMMUNITY YOGA

Classes arranged by SoK in Grace Hall
Wednesdays 7.15-8.15pm

Learn techniques to relax, release and rejuvenate. \$7.00 per session or \$45.00 for the rest of this term. Contact Susan: 293 3556, 027 274 0800, oceansuz@gmail.com, <http://yoganourish.sitey.me/>

PUBLIC NOTICES

New GirlGuiding - GirlGuiding is a friendly, inclusive community open to girls and women of all ages and backgrounds. Girls and young women involved in our activities thrive in an environment that encourages positive self-expression, friendship and a sense of adventure.

Email Kirsty at paraparaumudc@gmail.com

Waikanae Junior Football - Registrations close 29 February. Go to www.waikanaefootball.com. All players need to register as a new player due to the new system. Email wfa.jnr@gmail.com for more details.

Fun Piano Lessons - reasonable rates , experienced teacher (ATCL Teachers'). Phone Robyn 027 354 7598 , email rsjeansmith4@gmail.com

Junior Rugby - registration day - 28 February from 1.00-4.00pm at Coastlands, outside Stirling Sports.

COMING EVENTS TERM 1, 2016

DATE	EVENT
Fri 12 Feb	Welcome Assembly 10.15am Grace Hall
Fri 26 Feb	School site blessing 11am Milne Dr
Thurs 17 March	St Patrick's Day Mass, 9.30am, Church
Thurs 17 March	St Patrick's Day Twilight Fair 5.00pm
Thurs 24 March	Easter Liturgy
Fri 25 March	Good Friday
Mon 28 March	Easter Monday
Tues 29 March	Easter Tuesday
Tues 5 April	School closes at 1.00pm
Tues 5 April	Parent Conferences 2.00pm
Thurs 7 April	Excellence Assembly time tbc
Thurs 7 April	Parent Conferences 4.00pm
Fri 15 April	End of Term 1
Mon 2 May	Start of Term 2