

Parish School of Our Lady of Kāpiti



Newsletter - Wednesday 23 November 2016 Term 4

CELEBRATION OF THE PRESENTATION OF MARY IN THE TEMPLE

On Monday we celebrated the feast of the Presentation of Mary in the Temple with a liturgy in honour of our founders, the Presentation Sisters.

This feast has been celebrated in the Eastern church for 1500 years and the Catholic tradition for 600 years.

There is an ancient tradition that Mary as a young girl was moved by the Holy Spirit to consecrate her life to God.

This love of God and surrender to his will, eventually led her to saying a very important 'Yes' to God and because of this Jesus was born.

Nano Nagel chose to name her order of nuns the Presentation Sisters. She saw Mary as the role model because of her total dedication to doing God's will, big or small, public or private.

May we learn from Mary to give ourselves generously in service to the Lord and make the most of our talents everyday. We too are called by God to be saints.

CONGRATULATIONS

to Kristy and Nick Brown on the birth of their daughter, Emily.



KAPA HAKA HUI -THIS FRIDAY

Reminder that the Otaki-Kāpiti Schools Kapa Haka Hui at Nga Purapura in Otaki will be held on Friday 25 November.

Those participating must be at school by 8.30am.

Our group is scheduled to perform at 1.45pm. You are very welcome to come along to support us.

CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

Our Christmas assembly will now be held in Grace Hall on Wednesday 30 November at 11.45am.

We will be formally farewelling Mrs Val McCall and Mrs Clare Smith who are both retiring at the end of the year.

All welcome.

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.

HATS HATS HATS

Children need their sun hat at school every day.



**SCHOOL HOUSEKEEPING
 CHILDCARE 12-16 DECEMBER**

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

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.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

There will be no school lunches this Friday (25 November) because of the Kapa Haka hui.

SoK are providing a free sausage sizzle on Friday 2 December as an end of year treat.

**MUFTI/WHEELS DAY
 FRIDAY 2 DECEMBER**

Children may bring any toy with wheels, including roller blades, skates, scooters, bikes and skateboards. *Appropriate safety gear to be worn.*

These lovely umbrellas were created by children in Room 5 and are now on are on display in the corridor outside their room.



MERIT CERTIFICATES

These children were awarded Merit Certificates at assembly on 10 November -

- Rm 3** Andrew Latief, Brooke Richardson, Kaya Jansen von Vuuren
- Rm 4** Georgia Cooper, Michael Johns
- Rm 5** Maria Carberry, Abel Forsyth, Maiah Thompson
- Rm 6** Kevin Belandres, Maddison Gordon, Leroy Stuart-Berrisford
- Rm 7** Isaak Deed, Stella Hooker, Lucas Thompson
- Rm 8** Joseph Banks, Francis Mettrick, Hope Toleafoa

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

The following children received recognition at assembly on 17 November for a positive attitude and success at school, and with their school work

- Rm 3** Thomas Chadwick, Grace Charles, Maddison Gordon, Kayla Jansen van Vuuren, Marysia Kazmierow, Dominic Mettrick
- Rm 4** KC Bantilan, Evita Farrell, Niamh Gedye, Kayla Lye
- Rm 5** Sean Alaimoana, Grace Clouston, Adelaide Gordon
- Rm 6** Deakin Alaimoana, Lillian Barrett, Mason Green, Wynheart Viernes
- Rm 7** Bryn Botha, Eric Carberry, Robyn Jansen van Vuuren
- Rm 8** Eden Bacani, Josephine Brooking, Katherine Brooking

Insects created by and on display outside Room 7



COMING EVENTS TERM 4 2016 / TERM 1 2017

DATE	EVENT
Thursdays	Assembly, 9.00am Grace Hall
Wed 23 Nov	BoT mtg, 7.00pm Staffroom
Thurs 24 Nov	Excellence/badge assembly 9.00am
Fri 25 Nov	Kapa Haka Hui, Otaki
Wed 30 Nov	Christmas assembly, 11.45am
Mon 5 Dec	End of Year school picnic
Wed 7 Dec	Y8 Dinner
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