

14 March 2011

Tena Koutou Katoa  
Greetings everyone.

Every morning as we leave our homes we wish our loved ones a good day, without giving too much thought about what could go wrong. In the last week many things have happened which cause us to reflect on how fragile our lives really are and how life changing single moments in our lives can be. We grieve alongside Joshua Bennie's family this week as they say good bye to him and pray to God to give them strength for the hard times ahead. Once again we would like to thank all those who reacted swiftly on Wednesday and helped to manage the situation. Father Don Don joined us for staff prayers on Friday morning and blessed the roadside site along with the teachers.

In the case of a high profile story such as this was, the media interest can cause anxiety for many, especially as this was rather a sensitive issue. The school has a communication policy to protect all those involved, no matter what the situation. The policy states that all media communication must go through the Board Chairperson or the Principal. This may be helpful for parents to know in future if there is anything school related you are being asked to comment on. We were aware that some parents were stopped at the school gate. It can be very difficult to know the right thing to say, so this could be helpful if the situation ever arises again.

#### **The Week Ahead**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March– Sr Colleen from Our Lady of the Missions is visiting our school to talk to the children about the history of Mission Sisters and our Charism

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Soccer Coaching

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> – First Reconciliation Children's meeting 5.30 in Parish centre

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – St Joseph's Day Celebration, Powhiri and Tabloids

#### **Lent**

Last week we celebrated Ash Wednesday which marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is a time to renew our trust in God and turn back to him. Please talk to your children about this special time in the Church's calendar and discuss ways in which they can become closer to God.

Those children who have already made their first reconciliation had the opportunity to receive the sacrament of penance on Friday.

#### **St Joseph's Day**

St Joseph's Day which falls on Saturday will be celebrated by the school on Friday. St Joseph is the patron saint of our school, as we were originally called St Joseph's. We begin the day with Mass at 9.15 am at St Mary's church. Following that will be a welcome powhiri to welcome all new families, staff etc. officially in to the school. The PTA will be providing a sausage sizzle lunch and we will have the traditional House tabloid sports in the afternoon. Children are asked to bring their own morning tea.

#### **Powhiri**

The school will process back to school after Mass. All new families will be asked to wait outside the school gate on Moeller St. The rest of the parents, students and staff will gather at the top of the junior field beside Room 1a. The new families will be brought into the school with a karanga. This is a very special, moving way of welcoming all our new families and happens once a year. If you have a child or

children that started during the year last year or at the beginning of this year, please come and be a part of it. We would love for the rest of our parent body to join us as tangata whenua to welcome the newcomers to our school.

#### **Morning Tea**

After the powhiri there will be a morning tea in the staffroom for all adults, especially our new parents. Please join us. Everyone is welcome.

#### **Tabloid Sports**

This will involve the whole school. The children will be put into House teams and will rotate around different activities during the afternoon. New students to the school will be told which house they are in before Friday. The children are all asked to bring sports clothes in their House colours to change into before the sports. They will also need their hats and a drink bottle.

#### **Red and Black Day**

Red and Black day was remembered and celebrated with a liturgy in the hall on Monday morning. It was a healing way to pray for those who have lost their lives, their loved ones, their homes and their schools. However, it was also a celebration of hope for new beginnings and rebuilding. Thank you to all those who supported the fundraising. We sent about \$600 to Caritas.

#### **Parish News**

ANOINTING MASS: 2pm Thursday 24 March in Parish Centre. If transport required please contact the Parish Office. If able a plate please.

Children's Meeting First Reconciliation Wednesday 5.30pm in Parish Centre

ST VINCENT de PAUL are seeking more helpers to work in their Napier shop. Rostered hours are 10 – 1pm and 1 – 3.30pm. If you can help with one of these shifts or for the whole day please contact Mary Manglesen 833 6366 or Peter O'Hagan 843 7035.

Ma te Atua koe e tiaki

God bless you all.

Julia Johnson

#### **CRICKET**

On Friday the Volts played Tech and lost 98 runs to 59. Charlotte Lancaster top scored with 11 runs. Tom Hollier bowled well and took a great catch.

The Reignier Wizards had a great win over Napier Central. Darcy Brown and Lleyton O'Carroll were players of the day.

The Firebirds beat Arthur Miller by 13 runs. A super result.

The Firebirds and Wizards have training on Wednesday at lunchtime with a coach from Taradale Cricket Club so must make sure they have their PE gear and running shoes. The Volts have training on Thursday at the start of lunchtime.

This Friday all three teams play at Nelson Park in Napier starting at 3.30pm. We will all meet at the pavilion.

On Thursday afternoon the Aces played St Patricks at Reignier in what will hopefully be an annual cricket match

and had a narrow loss. St Pats batted first and scored 96 in 18 overs. Connor Smith bowled very well taking 3 for 16 and Jacob Eyles had excellent figures of 3 for 5. When Reignier batted Luis Toomey scored 33 retired. On Saturday the Aces played Onekawa at Nelson Park and lost 96 runs to 117. Luis Toomey again batted well scoring 31 retired and Regan Longhurst scored 18. The pick of the bowlers were Jared Duncan taking 2 for 12

### CLASS AWARDS—CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE CHILDREN

Room 1	St Veronica	Cailin Marlow	for good progress in reading and writing
Room 2	St Angela	Matthew Eagles	for great effort in story writing
Room 3	St Thomas More	Sean Sullivan	for your awesome attitude to learning
		Emma Pederson	for your enthusiastic participation in all class activities
Room 4	St Therese	Jemma Rumble	for great swimming progress
Room 5	St Gerard	Alex Lawson	for excellent public speaking
		Matthew Gilbertson	for being a caring, thoughtful class member
Room 9	St Bridget	Jacob McCormick	for making a great start at Reignier & making lots of positive contributions
		Glen Oliver	for sharing his excellent knowledge in RE
Room 10	St John Bosco	Molly Jeffery	for her excellent leadership during reading time
		David Milne	for great focus he has shown & improvement in his handwriting
Room 11	St Dominic	Jacob Eyles	for having excellent ideas when building complex sentences
		Briana Herbert	for persevering with her sentence building & succeeding



and Jacob Eyles 2 for 14.

The Aces have practice on Thursday afternoon from 3.15 until 4.15pm.

The 12/12 cricket tournament I mentioned earlier in the term the Aces may be involved in has been postponed until the start of next season in Term 4.

The Knights played Taradale away and lost 143 runs to 60. Lachlan Gouder was batsman of the day. James Aston bowled really well taking 2 for 8.

I will let both teams know where they are playing on Saturday when the draw is through.

The Knights have practice on Friday afternoon from 3.15 until 4.15pm.

#### TEEBALL

Results from Saturday were;

Red Sox played GMS 7 and lost 20 - 22. Player of the day was Byron Viljoen.

The Angels had a great win against Maraenui Pumas 26-23. It was their best game to date with all players coming together and working as a team.

Player of the day: Emily Beale

Most Improved: Connor Kimble

The draw for this Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March, **the last weekend of tee-ball for the season;**

Reignier Angels play AMS Leopards on Tareha 11 at **9.30am**

Reignier Raiders play Eskdale on Tareha 7 at **8.45am**

Reignier Red Sox play Puketapu 2 on Tareha 6 at **9.30am**

**Please be aware the games are starting a bit earlier this week to fit in the prize giving which will be held at 10.30am after the last games.**

All big thank you to Karrie Stephens, Maurice Unwin, Dhana Coon and John Viljoen for managing our tee-ball teams this term, we couldn't offer this sport without your support.

#### BASKETBALL

Last Thursday the Celtics had a tough loss. They are playing awesome basketball.

Logan Hutchinson was player of the day.

The Rockets had a great game coming from being behind 8—2 at half time to winning 24—22. Congratulations to the team for a great effort. Player of the day was Brendan Mayor. This Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup> March at PGA;

Celtics play Te Ara Hou at 4 pm

Rockets play GMS Clippers at 5 pm.

Practice for both teams will be on Tuesday at 1pm by the hoop.

Thanks to Cornel Walewski for coaching the Celtics and Wray

Wilson for coaching the Rockets.

**Basketball skill development** sessions are available for primary students this term at Centennial Hall in Napier on Wednesdays from 5 – 6pm. The cost is \$60 for the term. Ring Basketball Hawkes Bay on 845 9336 ext 718 for more details.

#### EXTREME GAMES HAWKES BAY CHAMPS

The Extreme Sports Hawkes Bay Champs are taking place at the Napier Sk8 Zone on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March. Events include Scooters, Skateboards, Blades and BMXing. Any students interested should see Mr Crawford to get a registration form.

#### SOCCER COACHING IN SCHOOLS

Napier City Rovers are running a free four week in school Soccer programme for students at Reignier. All Senior classes had their session last week. This Tuesday afternoon and for the next two Tuesdays the Junior and Middle team classes will have their sessions. Middle team students must ensure they have their PE gear for these Tuesdays. There is no need for soccer boots, everyone will be in barefeet.

#### PTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday March 22nd at 7 pm in the School Hall.

#### ST MARY'S JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP

Do you have a child/children in Years 5-8 who would enjoy fun and fellowship with their peers? We are forming a junior youth group once a month Sunday 3—5 pm at St Mary's and would welcome your interest and ideas. The aim is to start after Easter, with a planning/information meeting prior to that. For further information please contact Bill Dysart, HB Catholic Youth Office 8442824 or Keryn Powell 8442344.

#### LOST

Zachary Picone has lost his black Speedo swimming togs. Left at the pool.

#### UNIT TO RENT

Taradale, 2 bedrooms, garage, sun room, heat pump, close to shops. Available 11th April. \$240 per week. Phone Della 8451201

#### FOR SALE

2 x size 8 school sweatshirts for sale. \$20 each. Phone Karrie Stephens on 843 3319

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Zarah Otto—Room 10 who got 2nd place in National Aquarium Seaweek Poetry Competition.

**Christian Value for this month is  
Forgiving and Reconciling**

*Kid's Friendly Care at St Columba's Church on Gloucester Street offer Morning Care 7.30—8.30 am, Afternoon Care 3.00—5.30 pm and Holiday Programmes throughout the year. If you are interested please call Peter 0275 397934 or 8437770.*

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