

Tena Koutou Katoa  
Greetings everyone.

11th April 2011

Here we are again at the end of another very busy term. The children and teachers are definitely ready for a break. Yesterday we celebrated First Reconciliation with a number of our students and their families. This was a very powerful ceremony, and perfectly timed leading up to our Easter celebrations. We congratulate all those children as they continue their faith journey and thank the coordinators, Rachael Quinney and Sheryl Riceman for their hard work.

Abbie Zyskowski	Alexandra Thompson
Andrew Oliver	Anna Restieaux
Anneliese Van Florenstein	Ben Rybinski
Charlotte Minor	Charlotte Turner
Christopher Cacho-Bevin	Daniel Lynch
Darcy Brown	Elijah Philp
Ella Lawson	Emma Smith
Emily-Jean Schmidt-Grant	Emma Wynne
Ethan Ball	Fred Devereux
George Sicklemore	Harry Lawson
Jack Graney	Joseph Fortune
Lucy Dineen	Marcus Ambrose
Natalya Roberts	Noah Sloan
Noel Castelino	Poppy Sinclair-Grant
Skylar Kim	Sophie Lancaster
Zachary Diaz-Picone	

### The Week Ahead

All week – Safe Cycling for Yr 5 and 6

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> – The Passion of Jesus at St Mary's church at 2pm for the whole school

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> – Last day of term. School breaks up at 3pm as usual. Children will be dismissed from school, not the church.

### School Charter

A school's charter is the key working document for your Board. It sets out the Board's strategic leadership expectations for between 3 to 5 years, reflects what the Board is doing to make a difference to student achievement and progress and describes how the Board is giving effect to the National Education Guidelines. The school Charter has been completely reviewed by the Board and a new strategic and annual plan is in place for 2011. This will be emailed out to all those who have submitted email addresses later in the week and it will be posted on the school website. An important part of submitting a Charter to the Ministry is having input from the school community. We ask that you read it and respond to it, either by email to [jjohnson@reignier.school.nz](mailto:jjohnson@reignier.school.nz) or by any other means you wish to. Responses must be submitted before the 13<sup>th</sup> May.

### Additional Classroom

Catholic Schools Board have identified that we are eligible for an additional classroom. Plans have been submitted and accepted to build a new classroom alongside Room 8 in the middle block. During the holidays we are expecting work on the foundations for this project to begin.

### Daisy

The ICT strategic plan developed by the BOT this year has an emphasis on getting computers back into classrooms so students are using them regularly as effective learning tools. The first part of this project was to buy a series of netbooks, which are small laptops that are easily transported around the school in a trolley called a 'COW' which stands for 'Computers on Wheels'. The trolley holds 15 netbooks which can be used to connect to our server through a wireless

ruckus. These are now in use and students are able to use them in guided reading, writing and numeracy sessions without having to save their learning for the day they go to the computer suite. Affectionately nicknamed 'Daisy', the COW is in high demand across the school. A big thank you to the BOT.

### 'Sharing the Learning' opportunity

Thank you to all families who came in to school last Tuesday and talked to their children about their learning. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and it was great to see some good conversation happening. To teachers, this seemed a more highly valuable exercise than the interim report that it replaced. Feedback from parents is always welcome.

### ANZAC Day

So far we have had no expressions of interest to take part in the ANZAC day parade. Please let us know this week if you are happy to participate.

### Online Vetting

This is now available if parents are wishing to go on school camps this year. Please enquire at the office for a disclosure permission form. Fill out the form with your necessary details and return it to the office. It will be processed by the school online. At this stage I do not know how long the process takes, so it may help if you do it before the end of term.

### Swimming pool

Please don't forget to return your pool keys to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

### Olive Oil Fundraiser

There is now stock available in Room 1a before and after school each day. A great addition to Easter gift baskets!

### Holidays

The school closes on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April and will reopen on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

The year's calendar is on the website for further reference. Although The Passion of Jesus is at the church at 2pm on Friday, the children will be back at school to be picked up by 3pm.

### Parish News

**MASS OF THE OILS** at the Cathedral in Palmerston North 7pm Tuesday 19 April. If

you are intending to travel to PN for this special Mass, please let the Parish Office know.

If you would like to go but have no transport we may be able to assist.

**PASSOVER MEAL:** Thursday 21st April 5.45pm in the Parish Centre.

An ancient ritual meal based on the Old Testament readings prior to our Holy Thursday

Liturgy at 7.30pm. Limit of 60 can attend. Cost \$10 per person. Tickets from the Office.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** 7pm in the Church every Friday during Lent followed by Reconciliation.

**EASTER RECONCILIATION** at Our Lady of Lourdes Havelock Nth this Wednesday 13 April and St Patrick's this Thursday 14 April @ 7.30pm

Ma te Atua koe e tiaki

God bless you all.

Julia Johnson

## CLASS AWARDS—CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE CHILDREN

Room 1	St Veronica	Lily Doolan Coco-Bella Barham	for good progress in reading for always working hard & staying on task
Room 2	St Angela	Vincent Jones Max Signal	for making great choices for amazing maths
Room 3	St Thomas More	Amelia van Florenstein Victoria Thompson	for enthusiastic attitude to all areas of school life for great thinking in RE
Room 4	St Therese	Jake Stevens	for excellent self control
Room 6	St Francis	Sophie Gilbertson Hamish Gibson	for showing great enthusiasm for writing for neat writing and settling to work quickly
Room 7	St Patrick	Abby Humphreys Gareth Williams	for her improvement in reading comprehension for his improvement in reading
Room 8	St Anne	Eva Deihl Bradley Campbell	for a great attitude to learning, leading to great results for a great attitude to learning, leading to great results



### **SAFE CYCLING FOR YEAR 5 AND 6**

Safe Cycling continues this week with all Year 5 and 6 students in the Senior school taking part in the nationwide Safe Cycling Programme. This is a biannual programme run by Police Education Officer Kevin Marshall which provides students with essential cycling safety skills to ride on the road.

We will be continuing on at the start of the week with practice inside the school grounds. At the end of the week, if students are found to be confident enough, they will go onto Chester Place to be tested on what they have learned.

Students will need to have a bicycle and cycle helmet at school this week. Thursday will be the last day of the programme so bicycles can be taken home on this afternoon. The bicycles may be locked in the hall each evening if students do wish to take them home after school.

### **BASKETBALL**

Last Thursday the Rockets and Celtics had tough opponents and narrowly lost. Both teams still played great team ball.

Players of the day were;

Byron Viljoen – Rockets

George Sicklemore - Celtics

This Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April is the final game for the term;

Celtics play Onekawa at 3.30pm

Rockets play Nelson Park at 4pm

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 is available next term at Pettigrew Green Arena for students in Years 3 – 6 on Thursdays after school. Any students in Year 3/4 or students in Year 5/6 not already in a team should see Mr Crawford by Wednesday to put their name down.**

### **BASKETBALL HOLIDAY CAMP**

Basketball Hawkes Bay are running a holiday camp from 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> April at Centennial Hall in Napier. The hours are 9am to 4.30pm each day for 8 – 18 year olds and it cost \$120 if you register before 30<sup>th</sup> March or \$150 if you register at the start of the camp. Registration forms can be picked up from the school office.

### **SENIOR TEAM CHALLENGE**

The first Senior Team Challenge for the year is due in this Thursday. Challenges may be handed into teachers any time before this. If students have money they have raised for the Christchurch CARITAS appeal they can hand that into their teacher at any stage this week also. If there are any questions, please see your child's teacher.



Christian Value for this month is Justice

### **DUATHLON**

Congratulations those students who took part in the Hawkes Bay Duathlon competition on Friday at Frimley Park in Hastings. A great effort.

### **PETER PAN GOLF TOURNAMENT**

THIS IS FOR ALL CHILDREN THAT DO NOT HAVE A GOLF HANDICAP AND ARE NOT MEMBERS AT A GOLF COURSE, KIDS THAT ARE JUST STARTING OR WANTING TO START GOLF. It is held at the Waipukurau Golf Club on Sunday 17th April.

PGA Coaching starts at 8:30am - 9:00 and the tee off starts at 9:30am. The format is 9 hole foursomes with an adult.

FOURSOMES: The adult hits, the child hits, the adult hits, the child hits until the ball is holed out.

Please do not hesitate to call with any questions

Jasmine Smith, HB Junior Golf Development, (06) 8734484

jasminegolf@xtra.co.nz

### **SOCCER COACHING IN SCHOOLS**

Napier City Rovers have been running a free four week in school Soccer programme for students at Reignier. This Tuesday the Junior and Middle team classes will have their last session. 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.

I would like to thank Napier City Rovers for providing this opportunity for the students.

### **ST MARY'S JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP**

Youth Group for all interested kids in Years 5-8 will kick off Sunday 15 May 3-5pm in the St Mary's Parish Hall. There will be a planning meeting for parents Friday 6 May at 7.30pm in the meeting room in the Parish Hall. We had a great meeting yesterday with lots of ideas and enthusiasm so EXPECT FUN, FELLOWSHIP AND FOOD! Any inquiries welcome – Bill Dysart 844 3834 or Keryn Powell 844 2344. We will advertise in more detail next term.

### **TRIVIA NIGHT**

Friday 27th May t 7 pm at St Mary's Parish Centre. \$10 per person—up to 6 people per team. Hurry tickets selling fast!! - ONLY 120 tickets available. Tickets can be purchased from the school office. All proceeds going to school developments.

### **TRIVIA NIGHT—DONATIONS OF SPORT PRIZES**

If anyone is interested in donating a spot prize for our Trivia Night could you please contact the school office., Lara Hollier, Karyn Gouder or Karrie Stephens. Your generosity would be greatly appreciated.

*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.*