

Tena Koutou Katoa
Greetings everyone.

This week a large group of our students are making their First Reconciliation on Sunday. This is a very special sacrament focusing on forgiving and reconciling. We pledge our support to these young parishioners and continue to pray for them as they take this next step in their journey of faith.

As you can see I have added some dates for next week onto the 'week ahead' list. That's because there won't be a newsletter out before next Tuesday so you are being reminded of the events early in next week as well. The biggest thing to remember after the long weekend is that all middle and senior students will need their togs and lunch in their bags. Please don't order your child lunch on line if they will be at the swimming sports. There is no way of delivering it to them at the pools. They will not need to come in uniform on Tuesday.

The Week Ahead

Tuesday 27th March – Share The Learning Evening 5-6 pm
Friday 30th First Reconciliation Practice in the church at 2pm
Friday 30th – School Disco in the hall
Sunday 1st – First Reconciliation in the church at 2pm
Monday 2nd – Teachers Only Day – no school for students
Tuesday 3rd – Swimming sports for Yrs 3-6

Share The Learning Evening

This is on Tuesday 27th March (tomorrow) from 5pm until 6pm. Classrooms will all be open for an hour, and your child will invite you to come to their classroom to talk about what they are currently achieving, their goals for future learning and what they need to work on to achieve them. There is a lovely relaxed atmosphere. This is not an interview with the teacher but an opportunity for you to engage in learning conversations with the people that matter – the children. Please put this on your calendar. You don't need to be there long.

Phones for Starship

Don't forget we are continuing to collect old cell phones for Starship hospital. For every 25 phones collected, the school now goes into a draw to win an Ipad.

Netball

Netball notices have been sent home today. If you wish your child to play, please fill them in and return them to school by the end of the week. We are always looking for coaches. If you are available, your skills and talents would be gratefully accepted.

Parish News

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 7pm in the Church every Friday during Lent.

EASTER RECONCILIATION – 7.30pm this Tuesday 27 March at St Peter Chanel Church Hastings and Thursday 29 at 7.30pm here at St Mary's. Another special part of your preparation for Easter.

PASSOVER MEAL: Thursday 5th April 5.45pm in the Parish Centre. An ancient ritual meal based on the Old Testament readings prior to our Holy Thursday Mass at 7.30pm. Limit of 60 can attend. Cost \$10 per person. Don't miss out. Get your tickets from the Office.

Ma te Atua koe e tiaki
God bless you all.
Julia Johnson

School Swimming Sports

The annual school swimming sports will be held on **Tuesday 3rd April** at the Onekawa Aquatic Centre from 11am until 2.30pm. All students in the Middle and Senior School (Years 3 – 6) will be competing in various events and will need their swimming gear, a towel, lunch and a drink for this day. Students do not have to wear their uniform to school for this day but should wear clothing that would be appropriate for swimming sports.

We will be transporting the students by bus to and from the pools but invite parents and family members to come and support our swimmers on the day.

We will need a few adults to assist us with timing the events on the day. If you are able to assist please see Mr Crawford at the pools when you arrive.

Child Cancer Appeal

Last week and this week I am running a Lenten appeal to raise money for the Child Cancer research fund.

Cancer touches the lives of most people in New Zealand in some way and at some stage. We have a number of families at Reignier effected by cancer. Personally I have lost a cousin when she was young and have a 4 year old niece battling bone cancer at present.

My target was to raise \$100 for the appeal but thanks to the generosity of the Reignier community donations have already passed \$300.

This Friday afternoon to show my support in a small way and to end the appeal, I will be shaving my head as promised.

Thank you again for all your support, large or small. The appeal will continue this week and any further contributions would be gratefully appreciated.

Donations can be sent to class teachers and are also being collected at the office.

Sandy Crawford

Basketball

Results from last week were;

Reignier Celtics beat Eskdale 29 - 0. Player of the day was Adam Winnie.

Reignier Hawks lost to Swish Kids.

Reignier Heat beat Porritt. Player of the day was Mitchell Snell.

Basketball draw for Monday 26th March at Centennial Hall. The draw is;

- Reignier Lakers play Westshore at 3.30pm
- Reignier Hawks play Reignier Saints at 3.30pm
- Reignier Celtics play Westshore at 6pm
- Reignier Heat play Henry Hill at 7 pm

We have received the fees for this term from Basketball Hawkes Bay and they will be added to your child's term account.

Weekly and season draws can be found at;

<http://www.basketballhawkesbay.co.nz/>

Thank you to Mike Lynch, Nic Baudinet, Corey Stephens, Jay Campbell and Brendan Lancaster who are managing teams.

Basketball in Terms 2 and 3 will be on Wednesdays after school and will switch back to Mondays in Term 4.

Term 1 Cricket

Cricket results from last Friday afternoon for Year 3/4 students at Nelson Park; The Firebirds played Port Ahuriri.

Port beat Reignier 52 runs to 16. Players of the match were Molly Jeffery for her superb bowling getting 5 wickets, 4 in 4

CLASS AWARDS—CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE CHILDREN

Room 1	St Veronica	Jacob Cotter	for making progress in his writing
Room 2	St Angela	Keisha Massey	for showing kindness to others
Room 3	St Thomas More	Reese McKinley-Rhodes	for sharing her ideas
Room 4	St Therese	Liam Quinney	for working hard at being a responsible class member
Room 5	St Gerard	Vincent Jones	for working hard on his basic facts
Room 6	St Francis	Emilie White	for great reading
Room 7	St Patrick	Xavier Burton	for excellent planning in writing
Room 8	St Anne	Gemma Eagles	for writing an exciting narrative
Room 9	St Bridget	Sam Lack	for excellent progress in spelling
Room 10	St John Bosco	Michaela Everitt	for an improved attitude to work and increasingly neat writing
Room 11	St Dominic	Lucy Smith	for outstanding effort with all her homework
		Matthew Quinney	for lovely neat handwriting
		Lilly Aston	for demonstrating the qualities of a self managing learner
		Madelin Herbert	for fantastic completion of computer tasks
		Georgia Lawson	for enthusiastically contributing ideas to class discussions
		Ben Gardiner	for his fantastic narrative writing
		Hannah Gully	for great narrative writing and staying on task
		Mitchell Snell	for staying on task and being a team member on Thursday
		Isabelle Lorch	for the terrific strides made with written language
		Tasha Henry	for always following instructions and being on task straight away



balls and Jack Halpin for his great batting and the tireless efforts on everyone in the field!

The Firebirds and Volts need to wear their school PE uniform for games and sports shoes for games and meet at the cricket pavilion at Nelson Park as soon as possible after school on Friday. Games should be completed by 5pm.

They will have training at school at lunchtime on Wednesday.

Thanks to Rachael Quinney and Gary Bevin for managing the teams this term. Your support has been gratefully appreciated.

The Aces played Napier Central on Saturday at Nelson Park. Central batted first on a wet morning and scored 110 for 5 off their 25 overs. Tom Hollier and Andrew Oliver bowled well. Chris Cacho-Bevin took 2 wickets.

The Aces scored 40 in reply. Chris Cacho-Bevin top scored with 12.

The Knights played Taradale at Greenmeadows and lost. Reignier batted first and were restricted to 89 for 8 off their 25 overs. Luis Toomey scored 22 and Daniel Lynch scored 18.

In reply, Taradale made 108 for 3 of their 25 overs. Harry Lack took a wicket.

The Knights are being coached by Nick Gouder and Paul Aston. They are running training from 4.30 until 5.30pm on Thursday at school.

The Aces will have training at lunchtime on Thursday.

The Aces and Knights need to wear their school PE gear for games.

I will let the teams know where they are playing on Saturday after the draw comes through.

The last games for the term are this Friday 30th and Saturday 31st March.

A big thank you to Nick Gouder and Paul Aston for the great work they have done with the Knights this term.

CARITAS MUFTI DAY

Thank you for your generous support for the work of Caritas. We raised \$352.

ALTAR SERVERS

are required for the Easter Services. If you are available please leave your name at the school office. Your help would be most appreciated.

CHOCOLATE, CHOCOLATE, CHOCOLATE!

We appreciate all the effort and support with this great fundraiser. There are still more boxes available if require them. Just collect from the office. If you do have chocolates that you don't think you will be able to sell by the end of the week, can you please return them tomorrow? If they are not returned tomorrow, we will assume that you are selling them. Remember we have 3 iPod Touch's to win so fantastic prizes are up for grabs. All money collected needs to be at the office by this Friday, 30th March. Winners will be announced next week. Thank you and good luck!

HAWAIIAN DISCO

Our school disco is this Friday with a HAWAIIAN theme taking place. Junior Disco (Year 1 to 3): 5.00pm – 6.15pm
Senior Disco (Year 4 to 6): 6.30pm – 7.45pm
Entry is \$2 and we will have glowsticks and food available for purchase.

God Bless, Karrie Stephens—Chairperson

GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL FOOD FAIR

Friday 30th from 4.30 to 6.30 in their school grounds

A large variety of food available for dinner.

Hangi tickets need to be pre purchased from the Greenmeadows School office this week for \$8.

God Bless, Karrie Stephens—Chairperson

DO THESE DISHES SOUND LIKE YOURS?

Glass oval oven dish with lid

Round smoky coloured glass dish without lid

Square plastic storage container with red lid

White rectangle ceramic dish with a couple of small bunches of veggies on the side.

Please phone Joanna 845 2261 to collect these Pastoral Care dishes.

TENNIS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

All ages - All abilities catered for - Great coaches - Venue: Greendale Tennis Club

Three mornings: Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th April.

\$70 for all three mornings or \$25 per morning enrolled

Great Fun – Learn New Skills – Improve

Phone Ian 844 3732 (evenings) for more information.