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**8 April 2013**

**Week 10**

**Tena Koutou Katoa**  
**Greetings everyone**

### **MESSAGE FROM YOUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Last month, the board received feedback from the Ministry of Education relating to the annual submission of our school charter. The charter is the foundation document that gives the Ministry and our community an insight into the values that underpin our school and how the school plans to continually raise student achievement and improve progress.

The Ministry stated *“The aims and goals clearly support your board’s aspirations and planned actions for 2013. The targets provide assurance that the board is focused on improving student progress and achievement, particularly for priority groups you have identified”*.

Furthermore, *“The charter makes clear that there are self-review processes in place to support on-going improvement of policies and practices.”* In particular, the Ministry noted, *“a particular strength of your charter is in relation to inclusion and meeting the needs of learners with special needs”*.

The Ministry has asked for the Board’s permission to use the charter as an example of exemplary practice for other schools. This is not a common request of schools so we are delighted with this feedback and have given the Ministry permission to use this document.

Congratulations and thank you in particular to Julia and her team of dedicated teachers and staff for their input into the charter and to trustees and all those parents and friends who provide feedback on our school’s performance and progress, it really does make a difference.

Patrick Jones  
On behalf of the Board of Trustees

It was wonderful to see so many families at Mass on Sunday. We have a large number of students making their First Reconciliation next Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. Let’s pray for them and their families this week as they make final preparations for this very special sacrament.

We also have a Family Mass at 9 am next Sunday. This is a great opportunity for children to participate in liturgy and attend a Mass that is more child focused. We encourage all our families to attend. A big thank you to Brendan and Keryn Powell for organising this.

Congratulations to Liam Danielson who was baptised last Sunday. We welcome him into our parish community and pray for him as he continues his faith journey through the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

### **THE WEEK AHEAD**

Monday 8th	Room 5 to Faraday Centre 9.30 am
Thursday 11th	Anointing Mass 2pm
Friday 12th	School leaders to PALs leadership course at Pettigrew Green 9.30am Whole School Tabloids—1pm
Sunday 14th	Family Mass 9am at St Mary’s First Reconciliation 2pm St Mary’s

In this Year Of Faith we pray for Our Lady of Lourdes Parish/ Sacred Heart Rongotea and Our Lady of Lourdes School Palmerston North.

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS**

Have you considered being on the Board of Trustees? As you may be aware, the triennial elections for the Board of Trustees will be held on May 30<sup>th</sup> 2013. Shortly we will be calling for nominations to fill parent trustee positions. If you are on our email list you will receive a personal invitation from Patrick Jones our Chairperson to consider standing, and to attend an information wine and cheese evening on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the staffroom to find out a little more about what Governance entails and what the role of a Trustee involves. We invite anyone interested to come along. Did we mention there will be wine and cheese???

### **SWIMMING POOL**

The swimming pool is now closed for the season. Please return all pool keys to the office as soon as possible.

### **TERM ACCOUNTS**

The term accounts have been issued for Term One. You may notice that the school donation is \$40. This is the whole year’s donation instead of just term one. It may suit some families to pay it in one hit instead of \$10 a term and it is easier for our accounting to receive full payments earlier in the year. If it still suits you to pay \$10 per term, that is fine as well. You may continue to do as you have done in the past.

### **TERM DATES**

The school closes for the holidays on April 19<sup>th</sup> and resumes again on 6<sup>th</sup> May. The whole year school calendar is available on the website under School Information – Calendar Dates.

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

### **ALTAR SERVERS**

**Sunday 14 April 9am Mass:**

Sophie Broome, Madeleine Parker, Jack Graney

**Sunday 14 April 5pm Mass:**

Johanna Minehan, Gemma Eagles

### **CALLING FOR ALTAR SERVERS...**

Are there any children who have made their First Communion and are keen to be Altar Servers? We would love to have you! It is a commitment that needs parents support—once a month. See Maree Paterson for more information if required or let the office know.

### **ST MARY’S FAMILY MASS**

Our next family mass is 9am, 14th April. Any children keen to help with reading, prayers or drama please contact Keryn and Brendan Powell on 844 2344. There will be a brief practice for those involved Saturday 13th—time to be confirmed. There is no separate children’s liturgy. Come along and celebrate together.

### **SEEDLINGS**

Seniors are selling seedlings Thursday after school. \$2 per bundle. Please come and support us with our vegetable garden.

### **SENIOR TEAM CHALLENGE**

A reminder to Senior students that their first Challenge of the

## CLASS AWARDS—CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE CHILDREN

Room 1	St Paul	Awhina Kaio	For great work in reading and writing this week
Room 2	St Bernadette	Jack Hunt	For learning <u>so</u> many words
Room 3	St Mary McKillop	Kayline Thomson	For working hard on her presentation
Room 4	St Therese	Maggie Cooper	For super reading
		Manasa Young	For good work habits
Room 5	St Gerard	Sophie Gouder	For always completing reading activities to a very high standard
		Jordan Dominikovich	For thoughtful contributions to class discussions
Room 6	St Francis	Sophia Wilton	For fluent self-correcting oral reading
		Vincent Jones	For great spelling progress
Room 8	St Anne	Emilie White	For courage and discovery during the Faraday Centre Trip
		Sean Sullivan	For focus on completing writing tasks well
Room 9	St Bridget	Hannah Catter	For her great attitude and focus in class
		Adam Carey	For his improved focus in class and working hard to get tasks done
Room 10	St John Bosco	Louis Baudinet	For the super effort he has put into his Basic Facts
		Jack Wilton	For the great progress he has made with his Basic Facts and his excellent written work
Room 11	St Dominic	Daniel Hurley	For looking after Wylliam so well and willingly. From Mrs Mellon
		Bede Powell	For his fantastic maths work this week
		Mika Ogihara	For her fantastic Quickwrite about Easter

year is due in on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April. Make sure all necessary parts are completed or signed off. Mr Crawford's Family/Whanau page is on the school website as an example to assist students.

## THIS WEEK'S SPORTING NEWS ...

For all Sporting Teams, Draws and General Sports Information please refer to the school website [www.reignier.school.nz](http://www.reignier.school.nz) under the heading **Sports 2013**.

### **BASKETBALL—Results from last week;**

Reignier Celtics beat Porritt 24 – 7

P.O.D.—Jack Ericksen

Reignier Heat lost to Clive

P.O.D.—Aidan Minehan

P.O.D. last week —Ben Sloan

Reignier Hawks had 2 wins from their last 2 games

P.O.D.—Ryan Tantrum

HBBB has been offered the school 50 free tickets for students who played basketball this term to watch the Hawks play Southland on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March, the first weekend of the holidays, at PGA. The match starts at 3pm and our Celtics team have been asked to play a match at half time in the NBL game. A notice will go home with all the necessary details and a request for tickets as soon as our ticket allocation is confirmed.

### **CENTRAL FOOTBALL SKILL CENTRE**

Central Football are running a 10 week Skills Development programme aimed to develop and increase players understanding technically and tactically to give them the best possible opportunity to move into our Federation Talent Centres (Representative Football) in the future. See the school website for registration forms.

### **WINTER HOCKEY**

Last chance to join the school team if your child is interested in playing hockey. Please see Debra Gibson, Room 9 asap.

### **MARIST FOOTBALL CLUB—KIWICK FOOTBALL**

If there are any siblings who are not at school or too young for 6th grade and would like to play and learn skills for Football please go to [www.maristfc.co.nz](http://www.maristfc.co.nz) and register under Kwikick.

Any enquiries contact [juniors@maristfc.co.nz](mailto:juniors@maristfc.co.nz) or Sheree Lack 844 4311.

### **NAPIER HARRIER CLUB**

The Napier Harriers are looking for students wishing to join their cross country and road running club for the winter season. They meet at Taradale Park on Saturdays at 2pm. For more information visit their website [www.napierharriers.co.nz](http://www.napierharriers.co.nz).

### **RIPPA RUGBY**

The interschool Rippa Rugby competition for Year 5/6 students starts next term on May 15<sup>th</sup> and runs for 9 weeks on Wednesdays after school at Reignier or at another school. The competition is open to boys and girls. Information notices went home last week. The permission portion of this notice needs to be returned to Mr Crawford by this Thursday so he can register the team or teams. We need girls to play this year so see Mr Crawford if you are interested to get a notice.

### **ST JOSEPHS DAY TABLOIDS**

As our St Josephs day tabloid sports were cut short by the bad weather, we have decided to run them again this Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April from 1pm on the school field. We are fortunate to have some boys from St John's coming to help man the stations, so come along and enjoy the afternoon. We will still need the assistance of at least 10 parents or other family members to help run the events for the afternoon. If you are able to assist us, please fill in the slip below. Children can come to school in their house colours instead of in uniform. Please make sure they have a hat.

### **SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS**

The annual school swimming sports for Years 3-6 has been rescheduled to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May, the first week back in Term 2. The same programme will run from 11am until 2.30pm. A copy of the approximate race times will be in the newsletter next week.

### **TEEBALL**

Thank you very much Vicki Devereux, Donna Briggs and Pip Brooker for looking after our tee-ball teams on Saturdays this term. Your support has been gratefully appreciated.

I am able to assist with Tabloid Sports this Friday 12th April—1pm on the School Field. (Please return this slip to the office)

Your Name: ..... Contact Telephone: .....