

**Tena Koutou Katoa
Greetings everyone**

Virtue of the Month—Acting with Kindness

Wow! We are famous! The choir sang once again on Saturday night at the Hawke's Bay Sports Awards as back up for Sam RB who won the Olympic Song writing competition with her song Stand Tall. Our children were fabulous. Comments on Sam RB's facebook page described them as 'stunning'! Hopefully we can find some good video footage and photographs to showcase around the school. Congratulations to all our children who took part, and to Mrs Mellon and supporting teachers for their dedication and hard work. We are so proud of you all. Mike Chunn a founding member of Split Enz was also present. Mike works for the Play It Strange Trust which was set up to encourage young people in the art of song writing and musical performance. He was very impressed by what he saw and heard and sought out Mrs Mellon after the performance to congratulate her and the children. He indicated that the Trust was hoping to return to Hawke's Bay to do some recording in the future with primary schools and told Sarah he had tweeted all round the world exclaiming our brilliance. Thanks, guys. You were amazing!

Room 3 arrived in my office this morning spreading the joy of the Holy Spirit and celebrating Pentecost. We ask God to spread the joy that the Holy Spirit brings to your lives and families as well.

In this Year Of Faith we pray for St Francis Xavier Parish Marton/St Mary's Bulls and St Matthew's School Marton

We welcome back Rachael Quinney this week after a long recovery period. It is great to see her well again. A big thank you to those people who supported Rachael and her family throughout her time convalescing. Thanks also to Trish Gouder who stepped in as reliever in Room 5 to release Gary for Reading Recovery. We are lucky to have such qualified, expert back up.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday 21 st	Feed The Bus Campaign
Wednesday 22 nd	Catholic Schools Day Mass at 9.15

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS DAY

This week on Wednesday 22nd May we celebrate Catholic Schools Day across New Zealand. We begin with Mass at 9.15 am in the church at St Mary's. We welcome all parents, caregivers, grandparents and friends to join us. A group of girls will then be representing the school at Sacred Heart for Mass and a performance.

DISCOVERY LEARNING

On Friday the Junior school began Discovery Learning. This was described in last week's newsletter. The first session was a great success and teachers are looking forward to building on this to create and develop a fantastic programme for our Junior school.

BOT ELECTIONS

There were 5 nominations for BOT parent representatives on Thursday. As there are the same number of nominations as there were vacancies, the BOT has been duly elected. A big thank you to those parents who put themselves forward for

nomination and have committed to working at Governance level for the good of the school. Congratulations on your appointment.

Our 5 Parent Reps are:

Nick Gouder
Brendan Lancaster
Mike Signal
Victoria Walling
Bruce Allan

Our new Staff Rep is:

Sheryl Riceman

Our Proprietors Reps remain unchanged. They are:

Patrick Jones
Sandra Unwin
Andrew Graney
Father Bernard Carney

We would like to thank those Board members who have worked tirelessly over the last terms of office for their hard work and dedication. Mike Smith, Jason Wilton who served a term and a little bit on the BOT, and Raelene Cronin who has served 2 terms on the Board as staff rep. We would especially like to thank Tania Broome who has served 2 terms (6 and a half years, many of which as Chairperson) on our Board. Tania has continued on as a Board member throughout this year until elections even though her direct association with the school has finished. We wish her and the Broome family all the best for the future. Congratulations on a great job. We will miss your expertise and experience.

UNIFORM CHANGE

From now until Queen's Birthday will be a transition time for school uniform. During this time, children can wear either their winter or summer uniform, or a mix of both. We still expect that all aspects of uniform worn are to be within the school policy. If students do not yet have black winter lace up shoes we will expect them to be wearing their sandals, not sneakers, etc. After Queen's Birthday or by Week 5 all children should be in full winter uniform.

PTA CHAIRPERSON

We are still looking for a Chairperson for the PTA. Please consider this role if you are thinking about giving something back to the school community.

CONNECTORS SESSIONS

A reminder that the first of our meetings will be on 23rd May this Thursday afternoon at 2pm. We want your input!!! If you can't make it, please feel free to jot down any ideas etc. you may have around the topics identified for discussion and forward them to the office. There will be coffee and biscuits.

WINTER SPORT

This is underway now and we have a large number of children participating in a whole range of sports. Netball, Hockey, Rippa Rugby, Basketball and Gym are going to keep our kids busy and active. Thanks to all coaches and parents for support and guidance.

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

CLASS AWARDS—CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE CHILDREN

Room 1	St Paul	Layton Hill Kelly Kimble	For super reading progress For showing great focus this week
Room 2	St Bernadette	Jessica Churchman	For always making good choices
Room 3	St Mary McKillop	Iraia Roberts	For awesome work on his basic facts
Room 4	St Therese	Finn Devereux Logan Haayema	For super Reading For having excellent work habits
Room 5	St Gerard	Fred Sugden Liam Quinney	For thoughtful contributions to class discussions when focussing on the topic of 'courage' For excellent focus when doing 'letter writing'
Room 6	St Francis	Isabella Devereux Olivia Gully	For working diligently on all tasks For working well with others and being a good role model
Room 8	St Anne	Carter Frame-Tavita Jack Halpin	For being a focussed and enthusiastic learner For a hard working and focussed start to Term 2
Room 9	St Bridget	Ivan Meihana Madeleine Parker	Congratulations on your first week at Reignier Catholic School For her fantastic work she is doing in Maths
Room 10	St John Bosco	Mitchell Snell Logan MacIsaac	For the terrific Family/Whanau page he did for his Challenge For his super manners and positive attitude to learning
Room 11	St Dominic	Ryan Gouder Ben Sloan	For his outstanding work on his challenge For his outstanding work on his challenge

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday 26th May 9am Mass:

Isabel Gibson, Hamish Gibson, Talia White-Shaw

Sunday 26th May 5pm Mass:

Alysia Homan, Abbie Zyskowski, Tegan Marlow

HAWKE'S BAY SPORTS AWARDS

A huge thank you to all the parents and grandparents who took time out of their busy weekend schedules to make two trips to the Pettigrew Green Arena on Saturday. It was an amazing experience for the children to sing before an audience of 430 and with such a talented song writer and singer as Sam RB. I hope you were as proud of your children as I was—they looked and sounded fantastic. I am so appreciative of your support. Thank you!

Sarah Mellon

NAPIER FOODBANK—'FEED THE BUS' CAMPAIGN

As a school we have been asked to support the main annual event for the Napier Foodbank to restock their shelves. We are asking every student to bring into school a non perishable food item and hand to their classroom teacher. On Tuesday 21st, the red double decker bus will come to school and all the food donated by our children will be loaded into the bus. "The bus was chocka—bursting at the seams last year..." Please support this worthy cause. Your generosity is appreciated.

SENIOR TEAM INTERHOUSE SPELLING BEE

The Senior team will be holding their annual interhouse spelling competition this Friday 24th May in the school hall from 2pm for any family member who would like to join us.

THIS WEEK'S SPORTING NEWS ...

For all Sporting Teams, Draws and General Sports Information please refer to the school website www.reignier.school.nz under the heading **Sports 2013**.

BASKETBALL

Basketball for Term 2 starts this Wednesday at Rodney Green Arena (Centennial Hall) in Napier. The draw and the teams are on the school website.

HOCKEY

Reignier Magic won 7-1 against Bledisloe.

Player of the day went to the whole team.

Reignier Mystics lost to AMS 9-5.

Player of the day went to the whole team.

Reignier Pulse won 8-4 against HNP Hawks.

Player of the day went to Hamish Gibson.

Well done everyone on your first game of the season.

KIWISPORTS FIELD DAY

Next **Tuesday 28th May** the annual Taradale and District Schools Kiwisports field day is being held at Park Island. All students in the Senior team will be taking part in one of 8 teams and will play Soccer, tee-ball and hockey against other schools. We will be travelling by bus, leaving school at 1pm and will be back for the end of the school day. This will cost \$3 per student which will be charged to families term accounts. Permission notices will go home today and all students need to have returned one to enable them to go. Students may wear their PE uniform to school on Tuesday with running shoes and school sweatshirt. They need to have a water bottle and mouth guard if they have one. We need the support of parents to manage teams for the afternoon so the students will be able to go. If you are able to assist, please indicate on your child's permission notice.

NETBALL

Reignier Knights won 8-5 against Nelson Park Kakapo. Congratulations to all Knights players—you had an awesome first game. Player of the day was Sam Lack for fantastic intercepting.

Reignier Defenders lost 5-4 to Napier Central. Fantastic game. Player of the day was Lucy Smith for amazing intercepts.

Reignier 2 won 3-2 against Puketapu Blue. Player of the day was Ben Sloan. Second game lost 2-1 against Taikura Rimu. Player of the day was Madeleine Parker.

Reignier Stars lost to Nelson Park 3-1. Second game played Bledisloe and drew 5-5. Player of the day was Olympia Signal.

RIPPA RUGBY

The Reignier rippa rugby team had their first game of the season last week and had a narrow win 7 tries to 6 against Bledisloe. The team played really well with Daniel Hurley and Ollie Gardiner players of the day. This Wednesday 22nd May is the first home game of the season against the Taradale Hurricanes at 3.30pm. Training is Monday at lunchtime.

COMMUNITY NOTICES ...

FOR RENT

3 Bedroom house in Bowling Road. \$350 per week. Contact: Mary-Jane on 021 0298 7589.

OPEN DAY GREENMEADOWS KINDERGARTEN

Saturday 25th May, 11am—12.00pm, 42 Osier Road, New Enrolments welcome. Come view our beautiful gardens, meet our 100% trained teachers, free giveaways and nibbles.

WANTED

Size 14 Girls Winter Tunic. Has anyone got one I can borrow (it will be returned) or buy cheaply. Dhana, Ph: 842 2382 or 027 355