

Website address: www.reignier.school.nz 18 November 2013
Week 6/10

Tena Koutou Katoa
Greetings everyone

Today marks the midway point in the term. Teachers are busy testing students and beginning end of year reports. There still seems a lot to fit in before the year comes to an end.

Congratulations to Mitchell Snell who has been selected for the National Trans-Tasman Athletic Team in both track and field events. Mitchell will represent New Zealand in High Jump, Long Jump, 400m and 800m competing against an Australian team in January 2014. The high jump trial resulted in a personal best for Mitchell of 1.47metres, beating his recent Reignier school record.

YEAR OF FAITH

In this Year of Faith we pray for all those who work in our diocese.

THE WEEK AHEAD

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| Tuesday 19th | Interschool Athletics Soccer for Junior School |
| Wednesday 20th | Year 6 students visit Taradale Intermediate School Leavers Dinner Meeting—3.15pm in Staffroom |
| Thursday 21st | Cricket for Middle School |

ENROLMENTS FOR 2014

If you have a child turning 5 that is not yet enrolled or know of a family who are considering Reignier for next year, please contact the office for an enrolment pack and a chat. We are always happy to show people round our wonderful school.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS

Just in case you missed the announcement on Thursday we welcome Blair Jenyns from Taradale Primary as our new Deputy Principal to Reignier next year and welcome back Mel Davis in a fixed term capacity for the year. We congratulate them on their appointments and know that they will both be a wonderful asset to the staff and school community.

CAMP KAITAWA

Despite the weather the Year 5 students also had a wonderful week at Waikaremoana. On both camps every child was able to challenge themselves in some way. Highlights for the weeks were the caving, the long tramp, and the confidence course. The Year 5 group were especially intrigued with the stuffed stoat on show provided by the DOC worker during his talk. I never knew there were so many questions that could evolve from such a little animal. A huge thank you to all our parents who took precious time away from jobs and home to come with us and help on both camps. You were amazing! The cost of the camp is \$85 per student which will be charged to family's term accounts. Photos and videos of the students' camps can be found on the school website.

MATHLETICS COMPETITION

Congratulations to our two Mathletics teams who competed on Wednesday night at Taradale Intermediate. Zachary Picone, Yu Qing Jiang and Fergus Cardwell-Dray won the competition overall, and Noah Sloan, Ben Sloan and Chris Cacho-Bevin won a silver award, being placed 4th overall. This is once again a fantastic effort,

showing depth in our academic programmes. Well done teachers! Congratulations to Greenmeadows School for gaining second and third place.

CARITAS PHILIPPINES RELIEF APPEAL

Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand has launched an Appeal to support people affected by Super Typhoon Haiyan in the central Philippines. The devastating typhoon follows closely a severe quake that hit the region in October. The Caritas network is providing food, water, clothing, shelter and other essential items for survival, and continue support in the recovery phase.

Donations to the Philippines Relief Appeal can be made by:

Phoning 0800 22 10 22 to make credit card donations;
Phoning 0900 4 11 11 to make an automatic \$20 donation from your phone bill;

Donating online using a credit card at www.caritas.org.nz; or **Posting to Caritas**, PO Box 12193, Thorndon, Wellington 6144, New Zealand.

For more information, visit www.caritas.org.nz or follow Caritas on Facebook or Twitter.

"Kami po dito sa Caritas ay nakikiisa at nakikidalamhati sa bayan ng Pilipinas at sa mga Pilipinong naninirahan sa New Zealand. Aasahan po naming makapagbigay ng agarang tulong at suporta sa mga nangangailangan. Kasama nyo po kami sa inyong mga panalangin at sa pakikiisa ng mga Pilipino dito sa New Zealand na naghihintay ng balita ng kanilang mga mahal sa buhay"

'Caritas stands alongside the Philippines and the Filipino community here in New Zealand. We are supporting relief efforts in the Philippines and join in prayer and solidarity with Filipinos living in New Zealand.'

ATTENDANCE DUES

We that have received a letter from Bishop Charles advising us that there will be a 4.8% increase in Attendance dues in 2014. We understand that you all have received this letter as well. Although we are disappointed that this has occurred, the Bishop stresses that it is important in order for us to cover increased insurance costs and to continue the facilities improvement programme. We urge you to consider a payment plan to keep the fees manageable. Weekly automatic payments can be set up so that debt doesn't build. We also ask that you contact me if you are struggling with repayments, so we can help you to keep things within your budget. We believe that Catholic education should be affordable and fees should not be a barrier to attending our great school.

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

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday 24th November 9am Mass:
Anna Restieaux, Lucy Harvey, Lilly Graham
Sunday 24th November 5pm Mass:
Anneliese van Florenstein, Madeleine Parker, Lucy Smith

LEAVERS DINNER MEETING

Year 6 Parents if you are interested in helping with the Year 6 Leaver's Dinner there is a meeting straight after school on Wednesday in the staffroom.

CLASS AWARDS—CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE CHILDREN

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| Room 1 | St Paul | Miya Welby Pluke | For awesome progress this week |
| Room 2 | St Bernadette | Wylliam Overend | For using fullstops |
| Room 3 | St Mary McKillop | Chelsea Goldfinch-Green | For showing great patience |
| Room 4 | St Therese | Serah Fernando | For fabulous progress in Maths |
| Room 5 | St Gerard | Maggie Cooper | For using good vocabulary in her writing |
| Room 6 | St Francis | Callia Murfin | For super reading |
| Room 8 | St Anne | Ryan Tantrum | For being an excellent prayer leader |
| Room 9 | St Bridget | Sasha Ward | For always being a focussed worker |
| Room 10 | St John Bosco | Jemma Rumble | For artistic flair |
| Room 11 | St Dominic | Catriona Williamson | For great effort in Maths and Reading and Writing |
| | | Sam Lack | For great results and pride in his learning |
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LOST AND FOUND

Blue 'Pipsqueak' Kathmandu sleeping bag in black bag. Unclaimed from Middle Team Camp. See the office.

Lost at Year 5 Camp—Thermal Leggings named Smith. If found please hand to the office.

SCHOOL DISCO

We will be having a Christmas Theme school disco on **Friday 29th November** so mark your calendar now!

Location: Marist Club Rooms at Park Island, Entry Fee: \$2

Junior Disco (Years 1, 2, 3) is 5.00pm—6.15pm

Senior Disco (Years 4, 5, 6) is 6.30pm—7.45pm

More information to come.

SENIOR RECITATION CONTEST

The finals of Senior Recitation contest will be held at 1.30pm on Monday 2nd December in the school hall. All students need to select a poem to practice and perform to their class. The best performers will go forward to the team final and a chance of winning the Oral Communication Cup for 2013.

Student's homework this week will be to select and practice their poem. Teachers will help students select a poem if they have any difficulty finding one.

TARADALE INTERMEDIATE VISIT

All Year 6 students who are going to Taradale Intermediate in 2014 will be walking there for their transition visit this Wednesday morning returning at lunchtime.

UNIFORM SHOP

Last day for uniform orders for 2013 will be **Tuesday 3rd December**.

If any Year 6 girls leaving the school would like to donate their tunics, these would be greatly received.

Uniform shop will re-open Monday 3rd February 2014.

THIS WEEK'S SPORTING NEWS ...

For Sports draws please refer to www.reignier.school.nz under the heading **Sports 2013**. Also check out the website for info on Taradale Softball, Tennis, Triathlon Champs, Milo Cricket, Kids on Bikes etc.

BASKETBALL Results from last week;

Results from last week were;

Reignier **Rockets** beat Swish Kids 20–2.

Player of the day was Blake Knox.

Reignier **Pacers** lost to Taradale 7–15.

Player of the day was Laura Powell.

Reignier **Hornets** won 28–4 against Clive 3.

Player of the day was Charlotte Turner.

Reignier **Spurs** lost 17–10.

Player of the day was Harry Campbell.

Reignier **Heat** lost to Puketapu.

Player of the day was Sophie Gouder.

Reignier **Lakers** lost 26–16 to AMS.

Player of the day was Ethan Boyd.

INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS

The Taradale and Districts interschool athletics competition will take place on Tuesday 19th November at the New Sports park between Taradale and Hastings. The top four students in the 8–11 year old competitions have been selected to represent Reignier at this competition and should have received an information and permission notice with all the necessary details.

Students competing need to be at school in their PE uniform by 8.30am to get a tracksuit top. We will depart for the sports park at 9am. Thank you to all those parents who have offered to transport students to and from the event. You are not needed to stay for the whole day.

The timetable for the day's events can be found on the school website under Sports 2013.

TEEBALL Results from Saturday;

Reignier **Angels**—Everyone played well, showing a lot of enthusiasm.

Player of the day was Poutama Watson.

Results from Saturday 9th—Reignier **Angels** had a great first game.

Player of the day was Rose Jones.

TERM 4 CRICKET Results from last week;

Reignier Firebirds lost to St Pats. Players of the day were Mark Zyskowski, Dylan Homan, Sam Macintosh and Thomas Jones.

Year 5/6 Cricket results;

The Aces had a loss against AMS at AMS. The Aces batted first and scored 75 for 5 off their 25 overs. Top scorers were Bradley Campbell with 20 and Jack Ericksen with 10.

In reply AMS scored 77 for 5. Great bowling by James Ericksen who took 1 for 9 off 2 overs and Fred Devereux with 1 for 9. Chris Cacho—Bevin took a stunning catch.

COMMUNITY NOTICES ...

The Great KidsCan Santa Run—Wednesday 4 December at 6.30pm at Napier Soundshell. To register <http://www.lacticturkey.co.nz/SantaRunEntry.htm>.

Experienced Babysitter Available—Please contact Sophie 8452071 or 0278570482—Sister of Louise & Sean Sullivan.