



# REIGNIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## **Tena Koutou Katoa Greetings everyone**

We warmly welcome Archie Hollier (Room 1) and Aleksander Chojeta (Room 1) and their families to Reignier.

Thank you to all our families who celebrated Mass with us on Sunday and attended the Parish picnic. What a fun day with lots of laughs and lollies! We have had a great deal of very positive feedback regarding both. Once again the children were outstanding in the way they contributed and behaved. A big thanks to Dave Pipe for organizing the picnic, to Father Peter and all ministers for the lovely Mass, and to our teachers who prepared and organized liturgy, music, games and races.

## **THE WEEK AHEAD**

Yrs 3-6	Will be sitting PAT tests all week
Tuesday 4th	Road Patrol Training with Kevin Marshall
Wednesday 5th	Ash Wednesday Liturgy 11am at St Mary's
Friday 7th	NZ Catholic Principals Association Executive visiting

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to our newly appointed House Leaders for 2014. They will be leading the rest of the Year 6 children to serve the school community. We thank them for accepting their roles and pray for them as they begin their journey.

The House Leaders for 2014 are:

Devoy House – Bradley Campbell and Peata Kaio

Te Kanawa House – Jonty Unwin and Talia White Shaw

Hadlee House – Liam Halpin and Hannah Cotter

Hillary House – Ollie Gardiner and Lucy Harvey

## **TERM 2 SABBATICAL**

I have been fortunate enough to be awarded a Principal's sabbatical for ten weeks by the Ministry of Education beginning at the start of Term 2. I will essentially be away from 5<sup>th</sup> May until 28<sup>th</sup> July. My husband, Mark - Principal of Greenmeadows School has also been awarded a sabbatical and we will be taking the time to study various ways to mentor and coach teachers. During the time I am away, our Deputy Principals Blair Jenyns and Sheryl Riceman will be running the school. Sheryl will be released for the ten weeks and will be available to parents and students if needed. We are very fortunate to have Kara-Leigh Jones working in Room 2 for the duration. I would like to thank the Board for supporting my application for this leave and am confident that the running of the school will continue very smoothly in my absence.

## **PARISH OF NAPIER MEETING**

Attached to last week's newsletter and in this week's parish newsletter was a flyer which invites you to a Parish meeting at St Thomas More Church on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the future of the combined Parish of Napier, outline progress to date and invite any further feedback from parishioners. All parishioners are strongly encouraged to attend. Please read the flyer and mark the date in your diary.

## **TEACHER ONLY DAY**

Thank you all for the opportunity to extend our teachers learning last Wednesday. It was a full on day with Jo Makinson from Richmond School looking at teaching phonics and spelling techniques within the context of reading and writing which can be of benefit right throughout the school. You may notice some changes in the way we deliver the spelling programme and in homework expectations.

## **YEAR 1 AND 2 NETBALL**

The Year 1 and 2 netball season is up and running this week. We congratulate all those children who have committed to playing and wish them a great season. A big thanks to Amanda Rich and Samantha McLean for stepping up as our Star Helpers.

## **SWIMMING COACHING**

We have had some excellent feedback from parents regarding the swimming coaching that the children have received over the last 2 weeks. We are all wowed by the progress our children have made in just ten lessons. We hope some of you had the opportunity to come in and observe the lessons and to see what you were getting for your five dollars. The year 5 and 6 students still have 2 lessons to attend at the Greendale pools later in the week, but we would like to thank the Greendale coaches, Swim Safe NZ and Paula Combs for involving us all in the project and for the wonderful work they have done with our children.

Ma te Atua koutou e tiaki

God bless you all.

Julia Johnson

## **THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS...**

### **ALTAR SERVERS**

**Sunday 9th March 9am Mass:**

Ella Lawson, Hannah Lawson

**Sunday 9th March 5pm Mass:**

Ollie Gardiner, Se Hun Kim, Jack Graney

### **FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

The Parish office is calling for enrolments in these programmes. Please fill out the slip at the end of the newsletter if you wish your child to be part of the sacramental programme this year. The children ideally should be Year 4 or above and will need to be baptized. The slips are to be returned to the **Parish Office**. If your child is not yet baptized and you wish them to receive the Sacraments, please contact the Parish Office and make an appointment with Father. Enrolments will be taken till Friday 7th March.

## **GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS...**

### **ENROLMENTS FOR NEW ENTRANTS**

If you have a child or know of a child that is considering coming to Reignier can you please check with the office to make sure we have all enrolment forms and information. Thank you.

## CLASS AWARDS—CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE CHILDREN

Room 1	St Paul	Essex Page	For progress in Reading
		Francesca Pilcher	For fabulous focus and effort in writing
Room 2	St Bernadette	George Briggs	For his fantastic reading
		Chelsea Goldfinch-Green	For her fabulous learning focus
Room 4	St Therese	Archer Ericksen	For super reading
		James O'Carroll	For being a great listener and thinker
Room 8	St Anne	Olivia Molloy	For awesome progress in swimming
		Callia Murfin	For always being willing to help

### SCHOOLTEX ANNOUNCEMENT

Due to Schooltex being brought out by The Warehouse Group and stock being packed up and moved across to the Warehouse locations there is currently no stock available to purchase from the Warehouse until the 12th March. If you are experiencing any difficulties with uniform please let your child's class teacher know.

### TEAM KERERU

Team Kereru assembly is on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 9.10am.

### WACKY HAIR WALKATHON

On the morning of Friday 11th April all the children of Reignier Catholic School will be participating in a walkathon to be held at Tareha Park. Children will be required to get sponsorship for each completed lap with some very exciting prizes. There is a scheduled postponement date of Wednesday 16 April. Please put into your diaries. Further details and sponsorship forms will be out in the next few weeks.

## THIS WEEK'S SPORTING NEWS...

### BASKETBALL

#### *Results from last week:*

#### **Year 3 /4:**

Reignier Lakers vs Reignier Heat – 12–12 tie.

POD's – Cailin Marlow and Ethan Boyd

Reignier Hawks vs Reignier Thunder - Hawks won 14–0

POD's Jack Walling and Emma Harvey

#### **Year 5/6 :**

Reignier Saints vs Taradale. Taradale won 37–24.

POD Connor Kimble

Reignier Spurs vs Porritt. Reignier won 44–28.

POD's Lily Giddens and Ollie Gardiner

Reignier Hornets vs Clive. Clive won 28–40.

POD Lucy Harvey

#### **Games for this Thursday at Pettigrew Green Arena:**

#### **Year 3/4:**

Reignier Lakers vs AMS at 4pm

Reignier Heat vs GMS Bulls at 4pm

Reignier Hawks vs Porritt Hornets at 4.30pm

Reignier Thunder vs Clive 6 at 4.30pm

#### **Year 5/6:**

Reignier Saints vs Swish White at 4pm

Reignier Spurs vs Tamatea Pistons at 3.30pm

Reignier Hornets vs AMS Emeralds at 6pm

### CRICKET RESULTS:

#### **Year 3/4 Cricket:**

Reignier Stags vs Nelson Park. Nelson Park won 56–31.

POD for batting - Jacob Cotter

POD for bowling - Harry Unwin

#### **Year 5/6 Cricket:**

Reignier 'B' vs Bledisloe. Bledisloe won 76-59

POD's - Dylan Homan and Thomas Jones

**Reignier 1<sup>st</sup> 11 vs St Pats:** (Report written by Bradley Campbell)

On Saturday Reignier played St Patricks. Reignier had an awesome win by 5 runs. P.O.D for batting was Oscar for staying in and scoring 12 runs. P.O.D for bowling was Bradley for bringing us back into the game. Fielding POD was Ollie for taking two great catches. Top run scorers were Ryan 27, Bradley 20 and Oscar 12. Main wicket takers were Bradley 3-9 off 5 overs and Jonty who got 1–8. Reignier worked well as a team which is why we won the game.

### ST JOSEPH'S DAY – TABLOIDS SPORTS – WEDNESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

A separate note should have come home with your child yesterday with details about our annual St Joseph's day tabloid sports. We need some parent help for this afternoon and really appreciate any support you can give.

### WHEELS AT SCHOOL

We are going to be trialling a 'wheels at school' lunchtime session for any children who would like to do some scootering during a lunchtime. This will start this Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March, and then run every Friday lunchtime after that. At this stage, we are only permitting scooters to be brought to the designated area for the scootering which will be the concrete area outside Room 8. The duty teacher will be roving around this area as part of their duty, however we are going to be expecting the children to make sensible decisions to allow this initiative to continue.

## THIS WEEK'S CULTURAL NEWS...

**Term 1—Arts Focus is Dance**

## COMMUNITY NOTICES...

**ARTHUR MILLER SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT**—Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2 on the Arthur Miller School field on Saturday 15 March. \$25 per family. Tickets available from Arthur Miller school office, 220 Guppy Road.

**CHILDCARE/NANNY REQUIRED** for after kindy/school care in Taradale. Responsibilities will include kindy/school pick up and after school activities from Wed to Fri (there is some flexibility on days). For further information please call Maria on 022 674 7710.

If your child is Year 4 or older and would like to make their First Reconciliation/Holy Communion please fill out the form below, or collect a form from the school office, and hand into the Parish Office.

#### FIRST RECONCILIATION & HOLY COMMUNION

PLEASE RETURN TO PARISH OFFICE

Child's Name ..... Parent's Names .....

Address ..... Phone .....

Place & Date of Baptism .....

# SNAPSHOTS OF THE WEEK...

