



REIGNIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Tena Koutou Katoa

Greetings everyone

Congratulations to Hannah Cotter who recently participated at the New Zealand Junior Swimming Champs and the Surf Lifesaving Nationals. Hannah competed successfully getting placed 2nd and 5th.

It is now the season of Lent. Thank you to all those who joined us for the Ash Wednesday liturgy in the church last Wednesday. Lent is a time for prayer, almsgiving and sacrifice in preparation for Easter. There will be tasks associated with Lent incorporated into your children's homework over the next 6 weeks. Talking and praying as a family is a powerful way of making Lent real for the children.

Last week we were visited by the National Catholic Primary Principals Association Executive. They were Principals representing all the dioceses and were from Catholic schools from all over New Zealand. They joined the staff and students for waiata and karakia, morning tea and a brief tour of the classrooms. We received some very positive feedback regarding the children, what they saw in rooms and the state of our school buildings. It was great to hear such high praise and we were very proud of our lovely school. We know you all are too!

THE WEEK AHEAD

All Week	Yrs 3-6 will be sitting PAT tests again this week
Thursday 13th	Basketball Coaching

ILLNESS

Please be aware that there have been a few cases of strep throat discovered amongst our families over the last fortnight. If your child has a fever and complains of a sore throat, it would be a good idea to get them checked.

ST JOSEPH'S DAY

This is our very special feast day and one that we love to celebrate. As most of you know, St Joseph is our patron saint and we were once named St Joseph's School. Because of this, on Wednesday 19th we will be having a day of celebration. We begin with Mass at St Mary's at 9.15 am. Following the Mass will be a welcoming powhiri. We really encourage our new families to join the Manuhiri at the Moeller St gates straight after Mass. You will be called on to the school grounds with the help of some of our senior girls and Ms Davis and will be welcomed into our school community. It is a lovely ceremony and is more about learning and growing together as Treaty partners than it is about getting it right. We also ask all our established families to join with the children and staff to welcome our new families in. There will be a morning tea in the staffroom for all adults. After a generous PTA sausage sizzle the children will form teams from their House groups and take part in tabloid sports for the afternoon. Children will be asked to wear house colours for this event. They will need to bring something suitable for sports in their house colour to change into at lunch time. If your child is new to the school they will be told which house group they are in before next Wednesday. All other students will be in the same house they were in last year. We are extremely fortunate to have some boys

from St John's College helping to run the activities. Once again parents are welcome to come and support the teams in the afternoon's events. We look forward to seeing you for some or all of the day.

PTA AGM

The PTA AGM is scheduled for Monday 24th March at 7pm in the staffroom followed by a normal PTA meeting. We encourage all parents to attend. The PTA is a great avenue for meeting new friends and an excellent way of giving something to the school. Please consider being a part of it.

FAREWELL

With sadness we farewell Lorraine Nicholas at the end of this term. Lorraine has worked in the school library for 20 years and has now decided to retire. We thank Lorraine for the wonderful job she has done for us and wish her all the best for new ventures to come. Many of you may not even be aware of Lorraine's presence in the school, as she quietly does her job without ceremony. However, we will certainly miss her dedication, expertise and knowledge as a librarian.

Thank you Lorraine. We don't know what we are going to do without you!

PARISH OF NAPIER MEETING

Don't forget to mark in your diary the meeting on Sunday 16th at 1.30pm Thomas More Church. This is for all parishioners in the Napier district to learn more about the amalgamation of parishes and to be heard. We look forward to seeing you there.

Ma te Atua koutou e tiaki

God bless you all.

Julia Johnson

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS...

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday 16th March 9am Mass:

Noel Castelino, Zachary Picone

Sunday 16th March 5pm Mass:

Talia White-Shaw, Ben Sloan

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 first parent only meeting will be **this Sunday 16th March from 4-5pm** before 5pm Mass. Put the date and time on your calendar.

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	Noah Onuma Liam Reilly Max Fysh	For being a great listener and always paying attention For taking risks in his writing For making sensible choices
Room 2	St Angela	Kayline Thomson Laura Brassington	For fabulous writing about Rosie For fabulous focus on Ash Wednesday
Room 4	St Therese	Troy Sayer Adalyn Homan	For trying hard with his writing For thinking for herself and making sensible choices
Room 8	St Anne	Lola Jones Hannah Comrie	For fabulous listening skills For making good choices and showing respect
Room 5	St Gerard	Vincent Jones Ella Saunders	For always settling to tasks quickly For being a king class member and working hard in class
Room 6	St Francis	Lexie Sugden Sasha Ward	For fantastic poetic writing For excellent Maths thinking
Room 9	St Bridget	Jack Wilton Robbie Poon	For sharing his fantastic knowledge of how words work during literacy time For having great focus during class time and being a wonderful kind, caring friend
Room 10	St John Bosco	Jonty Unwin Shogo Abe	For his fantastic descriptive poetry about feelings and optimist yachting For settling into his new school and speaking more English words everyday
Room 11	St Dominic	Micah Jardine Amaia Watson	For sharing his vast general knowledge through our Treaty of Waitangi inquiry For her great focus during Caritas and Treaty of Waitangi inquiry

TEAM KERERU

Team Kereru assembly is on Friday 14th March at 9.10am.

WACKY HAIR WALKATHON—SAVE THIS DATE

School Walkathon is to be held on Friday 11th April on the School field. Start time is 11am. We would love to see as many parents as possible walking, helping or cheering on the kids! Please see the flyer below for more information. More details to be sent home with the children soon. Thank you PTA.

THIS WEEK’S SPORTING NEWS...

BASKETBALL

Results from last week:

Year 3/4

Reignier **Lakers** beat AMS green 12–2.
 POD Helena Keeney-Mills
 Reignier **Heat** beat Greenmeadows 26–14.
 POD Harry Unwin
 Reignier **Hawks** beat Porritt 22–21.
 POD Marissa Harada
 Reignier **Thunder** beat Clive 21–6.
 POD Ben Graney

Year 5/6

Reignier **Saints** lost to Swish White 10–34.
 POD Oscar Mason
 Reignier **Spurs** beat Tamatea 43–40.
 POD’s Liam Halpin and Dylan Wijaya
 Reignier **Hornets** beat AMS Emerald 35–30.
 POD Jack Halpin

Games for this Thursday at Pettigrew Green Arena

Year 3/4

Reignier **Lakers** vs Clive 4 at 4pm
 Reignier **Heat** vs Porritt Wasps at 4pm
 Reignier **Hawks** vs Tamatea Heat at 4.30pm
 Reignier **Thunder** vs AMS Green at 4.30pm

Year 5/6

Reignier **Saints** vs AMS Emerald at 4.30pm
 Reignier **Spurs** vs AMS Green at 4pm
 Reignier **Hornets** vs Tamatea Rebels at 6pm

CRICKET RESULTS

Year 3/4

Reignier **Stags** vs Marewa. Reignier won 83 - 63.
 POD for batting - Abbie Gardiner
 POD for bowling - Reese McKinley-Rhodes

Year 5/6

Reignier **‘B’** vs Porritt. Reignier won 72–50
 POD’s - Alex and Ben Graney (batting) and Sean Sullivan (bowling)
 Reignier **1st 11** vs Taradale. Taradale won by 121–85.
 Batting POD – Bradley Campbell for his 30 runs retired.
 Bowling POD – Jonty Unwin for his wicket maiden.

1st 11 Cricket

There will be **NO** cricket practise for the 1st 11 this Wednesday after school as Mr Jenyns is involved in a meeting.

ST JOSEPH’S DAY – TABLOIDS SPORTS – WEDNESDAY 19TH MARCH

Thank you to the parents who have offered to help out for our tabloid sports afternoon. **I would appreciate all parent helpers being at school by 1pm on the day** as we are going to try and get the tabloids started by 1.15pm. If you are keen to help but haven’t yet returned a form, come along anyway and we can assign you a job.
Many thanks, Blair Jenyns.

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.

FUN QUIZ NIGHT FUNDRAISER—For 12th Grade NOBM Rugby trip to Christchurch. Saturday 22nd March 7pm at St Patrick’s School Hall. Get a table of 6 together or come on your own and join a group. \$10 per head. Ph Barb 844 4244. Transport home (Napier) if required.

TO RENT—3 Bedroom close to Reignier and Church. Quiet Street. New carpet/ logfire. Fully fenced. Garage. No Smokers/No Dogs. \$340 per week + bond. Available Easter. Ph: 844 6259 A/H.

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

Reignier Catholic School Wacky Hair Walkathon

11 April 2014
11am Start
Reignier School Field



Our Term 1 fundraising effort is a Community and School event. ALL Reignier children will be participating in a walkathon, which will be a 1 hour walk. The event is a combined effort between the Staff and the PTA.

On the 24th March the children will be bringing home the Sponsorship forms. This can either be a donation or money per lap walked.

There will be prizes for the Class who raises the most money, the person in each class who raises the most money and 10 voucher spot prizes.

Please support your child and our school by coming along and either helping out, cheering on, or walking with your child.

There will be a Sausage Sizzle after so please stay and have lunch with us in the park under the trees! Love to see you there!

SNAPSHOTS OF THE WEEK...

