



REIGNIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Tena Koutou Katoa Greetings everyone

Welcome back everyone. We hope you have had a lovely holiday, the bugs are all gone and you are all rested and ready to go for another busy term.

A big thank you to all those who came on camp in the last week. It was pretty full on, and the parents who went certainly worked hard. The camp was a great success apart from the bugs, and the children conducted themselves in an exemplary manner. We were very proud of them all in the way they challenged themselves, participated fully in every activity and demonstrated independence and resilience throughout the week. A special thanks to Mr J, Ms Davis and Mrs Gibson for their organization and work.

AT A GLANCE—WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK?

Wednesday 15th	Digi Awards at Napier Municipal Theatre
Monday 20th	Year 5 Kapahaka Practice TIS
Tuesday 21st	Kapahaka Festival 7pm TIS
Wednesday 22nd	Kapahaka Festival 7pm TIS
Thursday 23rd	Year 5/6 Hangi

ENROLMENTS 2015

If you have a child or know of a child who is due to start school next year, can you please drop in your enrolment form to the office as soon as possible.

DIGI AWARDS

We congratulate all those children whose work has made the finals of the Digi Awards this year. They will be representing the school at the Awards ceremony on Wednesday. Best of luck for the finals!

GALA

The countdown is on! Our gala is scheduled for Saturday the 8th November. We need your 'stuff' for selling and keep an eye on the newsletter each week for the weekly donations. We really need you all to get behind it to make it a success. At this stage we are very short of helpers and we need to have all our parents if possible working on the day, even if it is only for an hour. This is our major fundraiser for the year, and will only be successful if everyone pitches in. If you are unsure of how to help, please come to the office and we will point you in the right direction. Each year bonds are formed and new friendships made through the gala. It's a great way to meet other parents and become more involved in the school community.

UNIFORM TRANSITION

From the beginning of this term until Labour weekend we will have a uniform transition period, so students can wear either winter or summer uniform, depending on the weather. After Labour weekend all children will be expected to have correct summer uniform.

HANGI

This year the Whanau group are committed to providing a hangi for our Year 5 students as part of the cultural experience connected to

the Kapahaka festival. We decided to include the Year 6 students this year and hopefully we will be able to repeat this for every year 5 group in subsequent years as they take part in the festival. That way all children in the school will have had the experience before they leave primary school. The Year 5 and 6 students will prepare the food on Wednesday and are all invited to observe the process of putting down the hangi on Thursday morning around 6 am. We envisage it will be ready for lunch. If parents are interested in learning about the process, we're sure the organisers won't say no to some extra help and support.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 24th	Hawkes Bay Anniversary Day—NO SCHOOL
Monday 27th	Labour Day—NO SCHOOL
NOVEMBER	
Thursday 6th	Mathletics Competition
Saturday 8th	Gala Day
Friday 14th	School Athletics Day
Thursday 27th	Interschool Athletics
DECEMBER	
Tuesday 2nd	Year 5/6 Speech Finals
Thursday 5th/6th	Years 3/4 Sleepover
Tuesday 9th	Choir Performing at the RSA
Wednesday 10th	Leavers Dinner (TBC)
Monday 15 th	Final Prizegiving
Thursday 18 th	Final Mass and last day of school

Ma te Atua koutou e tiaki

God bless you all

Julia Johnson

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS...

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday 19th October 9am Mass:

Jonty Unwin, Harry Unwin, Thomas Jones

Sunday 19th October 5pm Mass:

Ella Lawson, Hannah Lawson

GENERAL NEWS...

HELPING WITH MATHS AT HOME:

Continuing on from last term, over the next series of school newsletters we will include some ideas that you can do to support your child's maths learning at home. These ideas have come from Jo Boaler, a professor of mathematics education at Stanford University.

Idea number 3:

Always praise mistakes and say that you are really pleased that your child is making them.

CLASS AWARDS—CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE CHILDREN

Room 1	St Paul	Benjamin Sadakorn Freya Doolan Tamati Madden	For his fabulous effort in writing For fantastic progress in Room 1 For being an awesome reader
Room 2	St Angela	Ruby Lo Iraia Roberts	For being a marvellous mathematician For focus and success in Reading
Room 3	St Mary McKillop	Alek Chojeta Dylan Rae	For wonderful story writing For wonderful reading
Room 4	St Therese	Molly Smith Brian Sadakorn	For doing some great thinking For working hard on his reading comprehension
Room 8	St Anne	Poutama Watson Jackson Morley Tom Halpin	For excellent problem solving in Maths For fantastic work in writing For fantastic reasoning in reading
Room 5	St Gerard		NO ASSEMBLY DUE TO CAMP
Room 6	St Francis		NO ASSEMBLY DUE TO CAMP
Room 9	St Bridget		NO ASSEMBLY DUE TO CAMP
Room 10	St John Bosco		NO ASSEMBLY DUE TO CAMP

Recent research has shown that our brains grow the most when we make mistakes. Scientists have found that when people make a mistake in maths synapses spark, and there is activity in the brain that is absent when people get work correct. What this means is that we want people to make mistakes! In fact, making mistakes in maths is the most useful thing we can do. But many children (and adults too!) hate to make mistakes. They think it means they are not a “math person.” It is important both to celebrate mistakes and tell children their brain is growing when they make them. My 10-year old recently worked on 2 maths problems and got one right and one wrong. When she got one wrong she reacted really badly saying “I can’t do maths” and other negative things. I said to her – “Do you know what just happened? – when you got that question right, nothing happened in your brain, but when you got that question wrong, your brain grew.” I give this message to my children every time they are confused, are struggling or they make a mistake. These are the most important times in their learning.

Jo Boaler

NEEDED! WOOD FOR SENIOR HANGI!

If anyone has access to wood, specifically hard wood/slow burning wood, that can be donated to the school please contact the school office asap. Urgently needed by Tuesday 21st October.

SCHOOL KAPAHAKA

This Friday the Year 5 children need to practise for the Kapahaka festival so there will be NO Kapahaka for the rest of the children. Thank you to all the younger children who came along every week last term. You were wonderful!

YEAR 5 KAPAHAKA

Reminder: All Year 5 children will be performing in the Kapahaka festival at Taradale Intermediate next week (21 & 22 October at 7pm). A notice regarding this was sent home last term and emailed during the holidays. **Tickets are on sale at the office—\$2 each and maximum of 3 tickets per Year 5 student.** Our last practice at school will be this Friday at 8.30am.

TEAM KERERU ASSEMBLY

This Friday 17th October. Room 11 will be leading this.

TEAM PIWAKAWAKA ASSEMBLY

This Friday 17th October. Room 2 will be leading this.

Note: New time for this assembly is 12.30pm!

YEAR 6 LEAVERS DINNER

It’s that time of the year already where we look to celebrate and recognise our Year 6 children who will be leaving us at the end

of the term. Like in previous years we would like to hold a Year 6 leavers dinner and would like to ask a group of parents to help organise this event. If you are interested in helping out and forming a little organising committee for this special event, then please meet in the staffroom on Thursday 16th October at 3pm.

THIS WEEK’S SPORTING NEWS...

BASKETBALL

Draw for Thursday 16th October

All games are played at the Pettigrew-Green Arena

Year 3/4

Reignier Lakers vs Clive Yellow at 4.30pm – Court 1c

Reignier Hawks vs Tamatea Heat at 3.30pm – Court 1b

Reignier Heat vs Taradale Nets at 4.30pm – Court 1

Reignier Thunder vs Clive Orange at 4.00pm – Court 1b

Year 5/6

Reignier Saints vs Puketapu Lads at 3.30pm – Court 2

Reignier Rockets vs Tamatea Rebels at 5pm – Court 3b

HAWKES BAY INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

A huge Congratulations to Ryan Tantrum who placed 9th at the Hawkes Bay Inter-school cross country race during Week 10 of last term – an excellent result Ryan!

SUMMER HOCKEY

If there is any children who would like to play Summer hockey please let Mrs Gibson know as soon as possible.

TERM 4 CRICKET

Notes for Term 4 cricket will be given out to children interested this week. Please check school bags for these and see Mr J if your child needs one but didn’t get one.

WRITING FROM ROOM 11...

CROSS COUNTRY

Heart thumping, head spinning, pulse racing. Bang!

The starting gun sounded.

Ground shaking, adrenalin pumping, feet racing, people pacing.

Two km - one winner and six interschool places - twenty two boys and one me.

I was racing and slowly falling behind.

I’m in a good place – 15, I thought to myself.

I pick up the pace, passing two more people.

I trip and fall but I get up and keep on running.

I see the finish line.

I sprint my heart out.

I claim 12 places as I cross the finish line breathless.

Collapsing from the heat - breathless from the run.

I stand up again ready for action.

By the great Tom Hollier



IT'S GALA TIME!



Reignier Catholic School Gala Saturday 8th November at 11am

Reignier's annual school gala is a little under 3 weeks away so please mark your calendars now. A gala committee has been working hard behind the scenes and now we need some help to provide prizes for stalls, raffles, lucky dips etc.

A flyer has been sent home, asking families to donate **one** item each week for the next **six** weeks to help fill our prize quota for stalls. These donations are crucial to our success, so we ask you to read the flyer - keep it somewhere if you can and please add an item to your weekly shopping list.

We have the option this year for you to make a one off donation if that is easier for your family. If you do opt for this, please ignore the countdown notices in the upcoming newsletters.

Second hand goods you wish to donate such as books, magazines, toys, clothes, linen and Crafts, can be bought in anytime and left by the PTA notice board. Sorry but we cannot accept TV's so please don't bring these in.

The Gala Countdown Has Begun... This week's it's MYSTERY ENVELOPE!

We ask families to donate any new item that can be used as a prize for mystery envelope. Examples are: books, household things, new linen, gardening items like gloves, non-perishable food – you bring it – someone may win it.

Please remember items do not need to be expensive - just new. Many unbranded products are less than \$2 and looking through the cupboards often also locates suitable things!

Next Week...Frozen Chicken. Frozen Chickens make great prizes for our wheel etc. Please bring in your frozen chicken and please just check the expiration date as gala is not until 8th November.

Thank you and God Bless, The Gala Committee

Date:	Items Required:
15 th September Week 1	MYSTERY BOTTLE Wine, soft drink, shampoo, chocolate sauce etc.
22 nd September Week 2	LUCKY DIP ITEM Hair Clips, stickers, stationery, toy cars or any other small, new item.
13 th October Week 3	MYSTERY ENVELOPE A new item suitable for a prize.
20 th October Week 4	FROZEN CHICKEN Chickens, chickens and more chickens!!!
27 th October Week 5	GROCERY ITEM AND SWEET STALL Grocery item and a bag of soft lollies or an ingredient for sweet making (cocoa, sugar etc).
3 rd November Week 6	RAFFLE WHEEL PRIZES Boxes of chocolates, wine and any goods that would create interest for a good prize.

GALA PRESERVES + PRODUCE

If you would be interested in growing vegetables or bottling fruit, making jams and/or pickles please can contact the school office on Ph: 844 2144 or email admin@reignier.school.nz



**CAN YOU HELP ON
GALA DAY???**
If so, please let the school
office know!



CAN YOU HELP WITH FUDGE AND/OR COCONUT ICE MAKING FOR GALA???

Sugar will be provided. For further
information contact
Donna Briggs on
Ph: 021 0264 2401



SNAPSHOTS OF THE WEEK...

