



REIGNIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Tena Koutou Katoa
Greetings everyone

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tues 10 th	Maori Consultation Meeting at 5.30pm in the Staffroom Nibbles available for children
Wed 11 th	New Parent Morning Tea from 9am in the Staffroom
Fri 13 th	PALs Leaders course at Pettigrew Green 9.30 – 1pm

DATES TO WATCH OUT FOR

This term is a very short term, with lots to fit in. The term calendar is on the website for your referral, as is each week's newsletter. The website contains a lot of information about current activities, so make it a habit to keep checking it regularly.

Coming up this term for special mention are:

Thursday 19 th March	St Joseph's Day Mass, Powhiri and Walkathon
Tuesday 24 th March	Sharing of Learning evening
Thursday 26 th March	Yrs 3-6 Swimming Sports
Thursday 2 nd April	Holy Thursday and end of Term One

NEW PARENT MORNING TEA

Tomorrow morning shortly after 9 am all parents are invited to the staffroom to welcome new parents and get to know each other. If you are a new parent to the school, please come along and meet with other parents, make some new friends and ask any questions. Now that school has been running for a few weeks, there may be routines, activities etc. that you don't understand or need more information about. The morning tea is an excellent way of finding out about the little things (and the big things) without feeling like you should already know! Pre-schoolers are welcome.

WHANAU GROUP MEETING

Tonight in the staffroom at 5.30pm we will be holding a Whanau group meeting to discuss and celebrate the successes over the past year for our Maori and Pasifika students, and to map out a new year's plan for greater achievement and success. If you have an interest in this we urge you to come along and be a part of that discussion. We would love to have all our Maori and Pasifika families represented, so your views and ideas can be actioned. Children are welcome. Drinks and nibbles will be provided for all.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Over the next few weeks most staff are involved in a number of professional development opportunities in the district. We have purposefully engaged in the various learning days this term so we can put learning into practice during the rest of the year. You may notice an increase in relievers in classrooms because of this. We are exceptionally lucky to be able to retain regular relievers in the school, many of whom have connections with us and are part of our school family. Class routines and programmes will run as normal. Our relievers will be happy to help if you need anything. Don't be worried about approaching them.

PARISH NEWS

The combining of the three Napier parishes into The Catholic Parish of Napier will be happening at Easter. The new parish are looking for committed, visionary people who are prepared to serve their parish community on the Parish Pastoral Council. Please consider whether you may have skills that will contribute to growing our new Parish, and put your name forward for consideration in this role.

REPORTS

We are currently designing the new school reports for interim and anniversary reporting. Hopefully we will have these finalised so we can distribute reports to those due by the end of the term.

TERM ACCOUNTS

Due to a change in student management systems and data having to be entered in manually we hope to have term accounts out to families towards the latter end of Term One. We thank you for your patience and understanding with this.

HOUSE KEEPING REMINDERS

To sign up for our 'tweets' all you need to do is the following:

Bring up a new message on your phone, type **8987** in the to area and in the body of txt type **follow ReignierSchool**—Note the NO space and the capitals!

If you change email addresses or move house and have change of address, phone number etc please let the office know as soon as possible—we can't connect with you if we don't have correct contact information.

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

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS...

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday 15th March 9am Mass:

Noel Castellino, Zachary Picone

Sunday 15th March 5pm Mass:

Ben Sloan, Johnny O'Connor, Kate O'Connor

GENERAL NEWS...

FOUND

Found at Eskdale Park at School Picnic: a pedometer and a 'Ben 10' hat. Waiting at school office for collection.

TEAM KERERU ASSEMBLY

There is **NO** Team Kereru assembly this week. All Team Kereru classes will be attending Church at 9am.

CLASS AWARDS—CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE CHILDREN

Room 1	St Paul	Jayla Zajonskowski Angus Fysh	For wonderful progress in handwriting For settling quickly to work and following instructions carefully
Room 2	St Angela	Maddie Grams Sam White	For settling into Room 2 with confidence For asking thoughtful questions in Religious Education about Jesus
Room 3	St Mary McKillop	Thomas Chang Bella Coombe	For taking risks in Maths For always being cheerful
Room 4	St Therese	Arian Ward Farahani Benjamin Sadakorn	For good thinking in Maths For offering good ideas in class
Room 8	St Anne	Ashley Narayan Sara Takahashi Lola Jones Layton Hill	For excellent thinking in Lent studies For fantastic work habits For being an excellent class leader For great listening and independence
Room 5	St Gerard	Matthew Eagles Emilie White Gaku Takahashi	For settling to tasks very quickly For being a respectful class member For always showing an excellent attitude towards learning
Room 6	St Francis	Jackson Morley Iraia Roberts	For being a focussed learner and listening well For showing bravery and overcoming his broken arm to produce excellent work
Room 9	St Bridget	Maia Cochrane Holly Williams	For being a kind and wonderful person to our new entrance children For being a kind and wonderful person to our new entrance children
Room 10	St John Bosco	Lily Giddens Molly Cardwell-Dray Noah Kaio	For her amazing 'feelings' poetry For her amazing descriptive writing For outstanding behaviour and focus

THIS WEEK'S SPORTING NEWS...

BASKETBALL *Results from last week:*

Year 3/4

Reignier **Lakers** lost Clive Orange 4-10.

POD—Charlie Allan

Reignier **Hawks** lost to AMS Breakers 10-22.

POD—Alex Gregory

Reignier **Thunder** lost Tamatea Heat 18-22.

POD—Laura Brassington

Year 5/6

Reignier **Saints** lost to AMS Giants 24-48.

POD—Dylan Homan

Reignier **Hornets** lost to AMS Saints 10-24.

POD—Marisa Harada

Reignier **Spurs** beat Swish Purple 31-14.

POD's—Sasha Ward and Abbie Gardiner

Draw for Thursday 12th March

Year 3/4

Reignier **Lakers** vs Tamatea Heat at 3.30pm – Court 3

Reignier **Hawks** vs Tamatea Stars at 4pm – Court 3

Reignier **Thunder** vs Clive Purple at 3.30pm - Court 3b

Year 5/6

Reignier **Saints** vs Swish White at 5pm - Court 3

Reignier **Hornets** vs Tamatea Scorchers at 5pm - Court 2

Reignier **Spurs** vs Porritt Golden Tigers at 4pm - Court 2

CRICKET

Results from last week

Year 3/4

Reignier **Stags** lost to Napier Central.

POD's—Pippa Giddens and Jai Muggleston

Catch of the day—Archer Ericksen

Year 5/6

Reignier **2nd 11** beat Taradale Primary 50-44.

POD's—Ethan Boyd (batting), Gaku Takahashi (bowling) and Ben Graney (fielding and for his encouragement shown to his team mates)

Reignier **1st 11** beat Greenmeadows A 148-81.

POD's—Liam Quinney (bowler), Harry Unwin and Max Signal (batting) and Dylan Homan (fielding).

Draw for this Thursday and Friday:

HB cricket normally complete the draw on a Wednesday or Thursday, so your child will bring home a note on one of these days indicating where they are playing and which children are standing down.

HOT SHOTS TENNIS COACHING – WEEKS 6 – 9

From Week 6 to Week 9, all classes at Reignier will be receiving 30 minutes of tennis coaching on a Wednesday or Thursday. The programme is run by Luke Donovan and is called "hotshots tennis". There will be no charge for this as the school will be covering the cost through our Kiwi-Sport funding.

T-BALL

POD for the 7th March—Lucas Nairn

Draw for Saturday 14th March:

Reignier vs Puketapu Sparrows, Tareha 5 at 10:15am.

Due to having 16 players, we need to stand down 4 children each week. Children standing down this week: **Sam White, Lucas Nairn, Lucas Palmer, Kate Harvey**

YEAR 3–6 SWIMMING SPORTS

Please see the attached sheet for information regarding the swimming sports. Once again we will need a group of parent helpers to assist with timing. We really appreciate any support we can get for this. If you can assist on the day, please contact Mr J on bjennyns@reignier.school.nz

PTA NEWS...

Reminder...Please continue to ask your family, extended family and friends to sponsor your child(ren) or make a donation to the school walkathon on the **19th March**.

If you can help on the day please see the office or let Lara Hollier know. Many thanks for your ongoing support of the PTA.

PTA AGM is to be held on the **Tuesday 31st March** at 6.30pm in the Staffroom. This will be followed by a normal PTA meeting. All very welcome.

SNAPSHOTS OF THE WEEK...



Congratulations to Amelia Otto for coming 1st= in the Primary Section of the National Seaweek Poetry Competition!

The Treasure Keeper

Gliding across the glassy ocean
 I prepare to plunge into a mysterious underwater world
 Snorkel and mask secure
 Sitting on the edge
 My back to the sea
 I splash like an anchor into the cool water
 Below me are the rainbows of the ocean
 Fiery fingers of red and orange coral
 Bold blue and yellow Angelfish
 Vibrant violet and indigo anemones
 Green tentacles of slippery, slimy seaweed
 Swaying around me
 Swarming with different coloured fish
 I'm startled by their speed
 Darting in and out of their spikey castles
 Suddenly I see something strange
 A wise, old octopus
 Lying protectively over a big golden chest of coral
 He is a treasure keeper

Amelia Otto, Year 6

Reignier Swimming Sports 2015 - Years 3 – 6 – Thursday 26th March

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Our annual Year 3–6 Swimming Sports will be taking place on Thursday 26th March at the Onekawa Pools. This will start at 10am and run through to 2pm approx. All of the children will be travelling by bus. The students will need to take with them **togs, a towel, a drink and lunch**. Students can wear House Colours to school for the day with appropriate footwear for the swimming pool.

We will require around 5 parent helpers to assist with timing on the day. If you are able to assist then please indicate this on the form below and return it to Blair Jenyns (Room 10) ASAP or email Blair at bjenyns@reignier.school.nz

The following is roughly the order of events for the day (unfortunately we can't give exact times for each event):

2015 Swimming Sports Programme:

- 7 Year old Flutterboard Front width
- 8 Year old Flutterboard Front width
- 7 Year old Freestyle width
- 8 Year old Freestyle width
- 7 Year old Backstroke width
- 8 Year old Backstroke width
- 7 Year old Freestyle width - Final
- 8 Year old Freestyle width - Final
- 7 Year old Backstroke width - Final
- 8 Year old Backstroke width - Final
- 7 Year old Freestyle length
- 8 Year old Freestyle length
- 7 Year old Backstroke length
- 8 Year old Backstroke length
- 7 Year old girls – Freestyle length final
- 8 Year old girls – Freestyle length final
- 8 Year old boys – Freestyle length final
- 7 Year old girls – Backstroke length final
- 7 Year old boys – Backstroke length final
- 8 Year old girls – Backstroke length final
- 8 Year old boys – Backstroke length final

Lunch. Set up for length races

7 and 8 Year old students get changed.

- 9 Year old Freestyle length
- 10 Year old Freestyle length
- 9 Year old Backstroke length
- 10 Year old Backstroke length
- 9 Year old Breaststroke length
- 10 Year old Breaststroke length
- 9 Year old Freestyle 2 lengths
- 10 Year old Freestyle 2 lengths
- 9 Year old Backstroke 2 lengths
- 10 Year old Backstroke 2 lengths

Finals

- FINAL Freestyle - 9 year old Girls, 9 year old Boys, 10 year old Girls, 10 year old Boys
- FINAL Backstroke - 9 year old Girls, 9 year old Boys, 10 year old Girls, 10 year old Boys
- FINAL Breaststroke - 9 year old Girls, 9 year old Boys, 10 year old Girls, 10 year old Boys
- House Senior Relay Freestyle length

If you have any questions, please come and see Blair Jenyns in Room 10.

Thanks for your support and we look forward to seeing many of you on the day.

Blair Jenyns
Deputy Principal

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I am able to help with timing for the Swimming Sports:

Parent's Name: _____

Child's Name: _____ Child's Room Number: _____

Ph Number: _____

Reignier Catholic School Mad Hatters Walkathon

Thursday 19th March 2015
12noon Start
Reignier School Field



This is a community and school event. ALL 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 2nd or 3rd of 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 8 voucher spot prizes.

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

As this event is a follow on from St Josephs Day Celebrations, the PTA will be providing a sausage in bread and an ice block for each child and an apple kindly donated by the Ericksen Family. Please pack extra lunch for your children. Lunch will take place after the Walkathon.

Children must wear their uniform to school for the Mass and Powhiri then can change into their House Colours and a "Crazy Mad Hat"!!