



# REIGNIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## THE WEEK AHEAD

**Monday 15th – Friday 19th  
February**

*Optimist Yachting for Year 6  
Students*

**Wednesday 17th February**  
*Parent Information Evening*

**Thursday 18th February**  
*Weetbix Tryathlon  
BOT Meeting in Staffroom  
Room 9 Attending Mass at St  
Mary's Church*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday 28th February**  
*Compulsory School Mass—  
9am*

**Monday 22nd February –  
Friday 4th March**  
**Weeks 4 & 5**  
*PAT Testing*

**Monday 7th – Friday 18th  
March**  
**Weeks 6 & 7**  
*Safe Walking—Piwakawaka  
Team*

**Friday 18th March**  
*St Joseph's Day*

**Tuesday 22nd March**  
*School Swimming Sports—  
Years 3-6 (Kereru Team)*

**Thursday 24th March**  
*Holy Thursday—Stations of  
the Cross*

**Friday 25th March**  
*Good Friday—NO SCHOOL*

**Monday 28th March**  
*Easter Monday—NO SCHOOL*

**Tuesday 29th March**  
*Easter Tuesday—NO SCHOOL*

**Tuesday 5th April**  
*Shared Learning Evening*

**Friday 15th April**  
*End of Term 1*

**Tena Koutou Katoa**  
**Greetings Everyone**

We warmly welcome Senul Fernando (Room 1) to Reignier.

Thank you to all those who came and supported the Art Deco picnic on Friday. It was a lovely day and the children looked fantastic. Thanks especially to Roger and Carolyn Anderson, Amelia Wilson's grandparents for bringing in their beautiful vintage car. This week we wish our Try-athletes best of luck at the Weetbix Try and hope our Year 6 's have a great week Optimist Yachting.

## BOT MEETING

On Thursday the Board will be meeting for the first time this year to review the strategic plan and set new targets for the school year.

## SIGNING IN AND SIGNING OUT

Please if you are taking a child off the school grounds during the day for an appointment or the like, please come to the office to sign them out before you leave.

Also if you are entering the school grounds for a visit other than drop off or pick up, please sign in and sign out.

## PAT TESTING

Next week the classes from Years 3-6 will be involved in PAT testing. This usually occurs in the first timetabled block each day. Please ensure your child is at school each day, is on time and is prepared for a testing situation. It helps to create the best conditions for them to focus and be their best.

## PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

This Wednesday evening the 17<sup>th</sup> February there will be an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and learn a little about what will be happening throughout the year. We will split the timing of these meetings into three. This year you will go straight to your child's classroom. Below are the classes and times teachers will be in their rooms. They will each have a short presentation and then there will be an opportunity for you to ask questions and discuss anything coming up, or of note that pertains to your child's education this year. We look forward to seeing you there.

### *The evening will follow as:*

5.00pm		
Year 2	Mrs Cawston and Mrs Riceman	Room 3
Year 1	Mrs Mellon and Miss Nikolaison	Room 1
5.30pm		
	Mr Nairn	Room 5
	Mrs Cronin	Room 6
	Ms Brooker	Room 8
6.00pm		
	Mrs Gibson	Room 9
	Mr Jenyns	Room 10

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



## MISSION STATEMENT

**'A well balanced education achieved through virtue  
and knowledge in a faith-filled community.'**

## CLASS AWARDS—CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE CHILDREN

Room 1	St Paul	Cruz Coles-Teepa Alexis Bloomfield	For being a great role model to others For always showing respect for others
Room 1A	St Veronica	Ben Reilly Olivia Johnson	For outstanding progress in reading For having a wonderful attitude and helping others
Room 3	St Mary McKillop	Ben Jackson Lochie Aspinell Ali Qureshi Sam White	For great focus and an enthusiastic attitude to learning For great focus and an enthusiastic attitude to learning For super effort during swimming For reaching out and making new friends in Room 3
Room 8	St Anne	Liam Reilly Kelly Kimble Natalie Crabtree	For showing respect to everyone, everyday For being a wonderful Year 4 helper For making great learning choices and working independently
Room 5	St Gerard	Ruby Lo Alivia O'Shea	For always showing respect to others For her thoughtful contributions to class discussions
Room 6	St Francis	Natalie Fu Saraid Murphy	For great bravery in the swimming pool and putting her head underwater For excellent contribution to discussion and sharing her knowledge
Room 9	St Bridget	Jayden Fortune Victoria Thompson	For the wonderful start to a new school For showing respect to everyone
Room 10	St John Bosco	Adam Gregory Sophia Wilton	For the fantastic, positive start you've had in 2016 For being supportive and encouraging towards others

## THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS...

[www.capon.org.nz](http://www.capon.org.nz)



### ALTAR SERVERS

**Sunday 21st February 9am Mass:**

Isaac Pilcher, Caleb Marwick, Oliver Marwick

**Sunday 21st February 5pm Mass:**

Jack Graney, Alex Graney, Ben Graney

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

During Lent, in this Jubilee Year of Mercy we focus on reconciliation with Christ. Attached to this week's newsletter is a flyer advertising extra times during the week you can receive the sacrament of Reconciliation. Lent is an excellent time of the year to receive this sacrament, so there are plenty of opportunities to do so over the coming weeks.

### ST MARY'S FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2016

If you wish your Year 4 (or above) child/ren to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, please print and complete the enrolment form from our Parish website ([www.capon.org.nz](http://www.capon.org.nz)) or collect a copy from the Parish office at St Mary's or the school office. Confirmed dates of meetings are also online. Please note a copy of your child's Baptism certificate must accompany the enrolment form. Enrolment forms need to be returned to the **Parish office or the school office by Wednesday 24 February**. We look forward to sharing your child's faith journey.

## GENERAL NEWS...



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We are beginning our first strand for the year – the Jesus Strand. The Corporal Works of Mercy that Pope Francis has called his church to focus on, will be incorporated into each of our strands this year. To highlight this special year our students from Year 2 up are involved in a competition for their page to be chosen to be the front cover of our RE books. We may have a separate cover for the Piwakawaka team. The Year 2 students will be doing this in class. Please can you encourage your child to work towards completing this by Friday. There is a criteria that is advertised around the school. Thank you.

### TEAM KERERU ASSEMBLY

Room 6 will be leading our Team Kereru assembly this Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February at 9am.

Room 9 will be attending Mass on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 9.15am

### TEAM PIWAKAWAKA ASSEMBLY

Piwakawaka assembly will be held on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> at 12.30pm in the hall. Room 1 will lead this assembly.

## THIS WEEK'S SPORTING NEWS...

### BASKETBALL—TERM 1

Games will be commencing this Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February at the Pettigrew Green Arena.

**Draw for this Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February**

**Year 3/4**

Reignier **Lakers** vs Clive Purple at 3.30pm – Court 3

Reignier **Thunder** vs Clive Yellow at 5.30pm – Court 3



Reignier **Breakers** vs Clive Black at 4pm – Court 3

Reignier **Hawks** vs AMS Thunder at 5pm – Court 3

Reignier **Heat** vs AMS Jets at 4pm – Court 3c

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

Reignier **Spurs** vs Tamatea Busters at 4.30pm – Court 1

Reignier **Hornets** vs Tamatea Rebels at 3.30pm – Court 1

Reignier **Saints** vs Tamatea Hawkeyes at 5.30pm – Court 1

### **CRICKET—TERM 1**

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

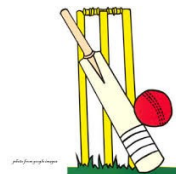
Reignier Stags lost to Taradale. POD's Noah Onuma and Liam Reilly

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

Reignier 2<sup>nd</sup> 11 played Napier Central. POD's Vincent Jones (Batting), Gaku Takahashi (Bowling) and Sophie Gouder (Fielding)

Reignier 1<sup>st</sup> 11 - no game

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.



### **TEE BALL—TERM 1**

#### ***Draw for Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February:***

Reignier **Rockets** vs AMS Mako – Tareha 5 at 9am

Reignier **Comets** vs Eskdale – Tareha 6 at 10.15am

Reignier **Stars** vs St Pat Minions – Tareha 8 at 9am



### **WEETBIX 'TRYATHLON'**

This is taking place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February. We have 63 students registered – what a fantastic effort!!! Attached to this newsletter is information regarding organisation on the day – please read this note carefully. Mrs Johnson, Steve Walling, Dean Young and Emma Sheard will be helping co-ordinate the students on the day. However if you are going to watch your child compete we would really appreciate you helping them get organised and sorted for the transition area. The bus will be leaving school at 8am, so please ensure your child is at school by 7.40am. Bikes will be loaded onto the Conroy's truck early Thursday morning (the truck will also bring all of the bikes back to school after the event). It would be very helpful having your child's bike at school on Wednesday and we can lock them in the hall overnight.

**PLEASE NOTE: Any Year 6 child participating in the Weet-Bix TRYathlon will NOT be able to do Optimist Yachting on Thursday. They will go back to school after the TRYathlon and Mrs Smith will be teaching them.**



## **PTA NOTICES...**

### **PTA MEETING**

The next PTA meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday 23rd February at 7.30pm** in the staffroom. All very welcome.

### **UNIFORM SHOP**

The Uniform shop is open to parents on **Mondays 8.30am—9.00am** and **Fridays 3.00pm—3.30pm** for parents to purchase uniform items. Should you require uniform items outside of these times please drop your form and money in a named envelope to the school office and items will be dropped to your child's class during the week. Uniform forms can be collected from the office. Please be mindful the uniform shop is operated by the PTA and hours attributed to this are voluntary.

**Second Hand Uniforms...**We do operate a cupboard which can be viewed by appointment. Please see the office.

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES...**

### **CODE CLUB - TERM 1**

Would you like your child to learn how to create computer games, animations and websites?

The course will run for eight weeks in Term 1 and is open for year 4-6's.

There are places for approximately 30 children.

Two experienced ICT tutors running the course.

Fee is \$30 per term.

Sessions will be on Mondays, 4:30-5:45, starting 22nd February .

Students will need to bring their own laptop.

Please email James at [james@hang10.co.nz](mailto:james@hang10.co.nz) for any questions or to secure a place.

# SNAPSHOTS OF THE WEEK...

WE WARMLY  
WELCOME  
SENUL  
TO REIGNIER...



ART DECO  
CELEBRATIONS

DIDN'T THE  
CHILDREN LOOK  
FABULOUS!!!



OPTIMIST YACHTING PREPARATION...





## **2016 Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon (Swim, Bike, Run)**

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Thanks so much for entering your child to participate in the 2016 Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon. So far we have 63 students registered! This is taking place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February at Frimley Park in Hastings.

Some important information:

- Students who registered before Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> of January will have their race packs couriered to their home
- Students who registered after Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January will need to pick up their race packs on the day from the Weet-bix tent
- Fiona Conroy has offered to provide a Conroy Removals truck to transport all bikes over on the day. The truck will be at school at 7am on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February. It would be helpful if ALL bikes can be at school on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb and we can leave them in the hall overnight. This means we can start loading the bikes in early on Thursday. The truck will also bring all of the bikes back to school after the event. **A HUGE thanks to Fiona and Conroy Removals for your support – it's much appreciated!**
- Due to how many children are participating on the day, we have decided to bus all of the children over to Frimley Park. This will make organising the children easier as they will be in one group rather than turning up in individual cars and at different times.
- On the day, the children will need to ensure that they take something to eat, a drink bottle, a hat, sunscreen (applied before they get to school please), running shoes, helmet, towel and their race packs (some children will be collecting their race packs when we get there) and **any medication your child may require.**
- **The bus will be leaving school at 8am.** This will give us enough time to get to Frimley Park and organise transition for the children etc. **Transition closes at 9.15am so please ensure your child is at school by 7.40am and ready to leave.** There will be a race briefing at 9.30am and the races start at 10am.
- The children will need to leave the following in transition: Weet-Bix Kids TRY t- shirt **with bib number** attached to the front, bike **with their event number sticker attached to handle bars**, helmet **with event number sticker attached to front**, running shoes and socks, towel, drink bottle, medication if required, e.g asthma inhaler, and a box, bag, bucket or something similar to put all of the above in next to your bike.
- Children need to have their race number written vertically downwards on their right arm & leg with a permanent marker. **Make sure they are written in these two positions.**
- **We thought it would be a good idea to have the children wear their school PE top before we get to Frimley Park, they can then change into it their Weet-Bix t-shirt once we are there.**
- Setting up transition for the children can be a bit hectic, **so any parents who are coming to watch please help the children out – thanks so much!**
- Visit this link for some tips on training for the event: <http://try.weetbix.co.nz/kids/try-trainer>

If you have any questions, please see me ASAP.

Blair Jenyns



The Catholic Parish of Napier  
Te Pārihi Katorika ki Ahuriri

CELEBRATION OF THE

## Jubilee Year of Mercy

DURING THE SEASON OF LENT

### ***SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - RITE 1***

Lent this year is particularly special because it is taking place within a Jubilee Year and this Jubilee's focus is on Mercy. In the document designating this year as a Jubilee Year, Pope Francis said that he wanted Lent to be taken up more intensely as a special time to "celebrate and experience God's mercy".

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is always an important part of Lent and especially in the Jubilee Year of Mercy. Pope Francis wants us to especially focus on this Sacrament as a Sacrament of Mercy where we experience personally God's response to our sins which is always mercy: to continuously save and heal us from the effects and wounds of sin and to always bring us into ever closer communion with Him.

***FOR THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF NAPIER, DURING LENT, IN ADDITION TO THE NORMAL WEEKDAY TIMES, A PRIEST WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION, ON A THURSDAY, 7PM – 8PM, AT ST PATRICK'S CHURCH: Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> February, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> March.***

***During March there will be two Sunday's (6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>) where we will be having 12 hours of Adoration from 9am until 9pm at St Thomas More Church. A priest will be available for an hour in the morning (11am – 12noon) and an hour in the afternoon (3pm – 4pm) for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.***

In his Lenten Message, Pope Francis wrote: "Let us not waste this Season of Lent, so favourable a time for conversion!"

On the other side of this page will find the times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation Rite 1 during the Season of Lent