



REIGNIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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THE WEEK AHEAD

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

Tuesday 23rd February
PTA Meeting at 7.30pm

Sunday 28th February
Compulsory School Mass—
9am

UPCOMING EVENTS

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**

Congratulations to all those who participated in the Weetbix Try last week.
Thank you also to those who attended the Parent Information evening at school last Wednesday. School and whanau partnership is the key ingredient to success for your children.

WHOLE SCHOOL MASS

A reminder that this Sunday we celebrate Mass together as a school and as part of the St Mary's Faith community. The children are all asked to be at the church by 8.45am in full summer uniform. They will be directed to their class groups at the front of the church. Father will be blessing the staff, and the House Leaders will be receiving their badges. We look forward to seeing everybody there.

ST JOSEPH'S DAY

As St Joseph is our patron saint, we celebrate St Joseph's Day. This will happen on Friday 18th March. We begin with Mass at 9.15am and this is followed by a powhiri on the junior field to welcome all our new families. If you are new to the school after March last year, we would love you to consider yourself Manuhiri and be welcomed in officially. This is a gentle ceremony and you will not be required to do anything outside your comfort zone. This will be followed by morning tea in the staffroom. After lunch will probably be a school wide activity, possibly the PTA walkathon fundraiser which will be lots of fun. Keep the date free and join us!!!

PAT TESTING

This 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.

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.

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

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS...

www.copon.org.nz

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday 28th February 9am Mass:

Ella Brassington, Georgie Chapman, Thomas Jones

Sunday 28th February 5pm Mass:

Kate O'Connor, Johnny O'Connor

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.cpon.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.



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	Harper Allison Mia Vorster	For being brave and giving things a go For excellent focus in class this week
Room 1A	St Veronica	Alex Chapman Thana Pinnoi	For such a positive attitude to learning For super effort during writing
Room 3	St Mary McKillop	Gareth Sheard Luca Humphrey Olivia McNaught Willow Zajonskowski	For great focus and an enthusiastic attitude to learning For super effort during swimming For diligence and independent work habits For working hard to produce her best work
Room 5	St Gerard	Olivia Molloy Maddy O'Mahony	For fantastic, creative artwork For great work ethic
Room 6	St Francis	Hunter Carew Rose Jones	For interesting well constructed memoir writing For excellent, reading and looking carefully at the text
Room 8	St Anne	Hazel Marwick Lincoln Jeffares Awhina Kaio	For being a fantastic listener and respectful class member For being a fantastic helper this week For fantastic story writing
Room 9	St Bridget	Emelie Kane Amberley Chang	For fantastic, creative artwork For always showing respect to others
Room 10	St John Bosco	Sophie Gouder Marcus Allan	For her excellent learning on graphing in Maths For your creative thinking when writing your own play script

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...



MUFTI DAY FOR CARITAS –FRIDAY 4 MARCH

As part of our Lenten almsgiving we plan to have a mufti day on Friday 4 March with a gold coin donation going to Caritas. Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand is the Catholic Bishops' agency for justice, peace and development. They are working for a world free of poverty and injustice through community development, advocacy, education, and emergency relief.

Can we also ask that on this day each child bring one item of clean, pre loved clothing to donate. Something that another child would like to wear. You will have next weekend to choose with your child/children. This will be helping to answer Pope Francis' call to focus on the corporal works of mercy in this Year of Mercy. Your wonderful generosity is always appreciated.

TEAM KERERU ASSEMBLY

Room 8 will be leading our Team Kereru assembly this Friday 26th February at 9am.

Room 6 will be attending Mass on Thursday 25th February at 9.15am.

TEAM PIWAKAWAKA ASSEMBLY

Piwakawaka assembly will be held on Friday 26th at 12.30pm in the hall. **Room 1A** will lead this assembly.

THIS WEEK'S SPORTING NEWS...

BASKETBALL—TERM 1

Results from last week;

Year 3/4

Reignier **Lakers** beat Clive Purple 27-6. POD's—The whole team

Reignier **Thunder** beat Clive Yellow 30-2. POD's—Maia Signal and Lachlan Ward

Reignier **Breakers** lost to Clive Black 22-33. POD—Georgia Halpin

Reignier **Hawks** beat AMS Thunder 22-2. POD—Brian Sadakorn

Reignier **Heat** lost to AMS Jets 3-9.

Year 5/6

Reignier **Spurs** lost to Tamatea Busters 15-28. POD—Anna Mildon

Reignier **Hornets** beat Tamatea Rebels 33-16. POD—Sam Macintosh

Reignier **Saints** beat Tamatea Hawkeyes 28-10. POD's—Max Signal and Abbie Gardiner

Draw for this Thursday 25th February

There are **NO** basketball games this week!



CRICKET—TERM 1

Results from last week;

Year 3/4

Reignier **Stags** lost to Nelson Park School. POD's—Jack Hunt and Hunter Carew

Year 5/6

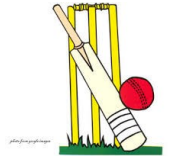
Reignier **2nd 11** lost to Arthur Miller. POD—Abbie Gardiner (Fielder), Lachie Ward (Batter), Archer Ericksen Bowler)

Reignier **1st 11** beat Onekawa 114-100. POD's—The whole team!



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.

There will be NO 1st 11 cricket training afterschool on Wednesday this week as Mr J is unavailable!



TEE BALL—TERM 1

Draw for Saturday 27th February:

Reignier **Rockets** vs Port Ahuriri Blue Jays – Tareha 9 at 9am

Reignier **Comets** vs GMS Thunder – Tareha 6 at 10.15am

Reignier **Stars** vs Eskdale – Tareha 7 at 10.15am

WEETBIX 'TRYATHLON'

A big well done to all of the children who participated in the Weet-Bix TRYathlon last week. We had around 65 Reignier students participate – what a super effort from these children!

A big thanks to Fiona Conroy for supplying a truck to transport the bikes. A big thanks also to Dean Young, Steve Walling and Emma Sheard for helping co-ordinate the event and to all of the parents/supporters who were on hand to offer their help, encouragement and support – thanks so much!!!

PTA NOTICES...

PTA MEETING

The next PTA meeting is scheduled for tonight, **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.

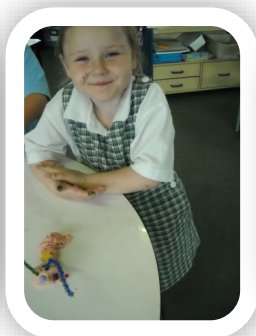
Sessions will be on Mondays, 4:30-5:45, starting 22nd February .

Students will need to bring their own laptop.

Please email James at james@hang10.co.nz for any questions or to secure a place.

SNAPSHOTS OF THE WEEK...

DISCOVERY TIME...LOOK WHAT WE GET UP TO!!!



MORE SNAPSHOTS OF THE WEEK...

OPTIMIST YACHTING —YEAR 6 STUDENTS



PAT TESTING!!!

OUR CHILDREN
HARD AT WORK!



ROOMS 9 & 10 DAILY SWIMMING LESSON!



Reignier Catholic School Board of Trustees Update – Term One 2016

Hi everyone,

Welcome to 2016! Welcome back to our returning families and a special welcome to families who are new to Reignier this year. This update is one of four that the board likes to publish (one per term) to keep everyone informed about the matters the board is focusing on. The board represents and works for the school community so it is important you are kept informed.

The board had its first meeting for 2016 last week and like the staff did a few weeks ago, spent much of our first meeting looking at the strategic plan for the coming year(s). We agreed what actions will be undertaken throughout the year that will deliver on our strategic priorities and set targets that we will use to measure our performance against. The plans and targets for the year ahead continue to be based on the below strategic priorities;

1. Excellent achievement in Literacy and Numeracy
2. Outstanding Staff
3. Strong, visible Catholic Faith
4. Efficient, effective and responsible E-learners
5. An optimum roll

The specific actions that will be carried out in 2016 to deliver on these priorities are documented in the school's annual charter. Once the charter is finalized (sent to the Ministry and approved) it will be placed on our school website for all to see. If there are things you think could be added to the charter we would love to hear about them. The charter should be a "living" document if it is to truly reflect the educational aims of our school community.

ERO and Catholic Character Reviews

As well as being a busy year for staff and students, the year ahead will also be a busy for the school governance. It has been three years since our last review by the Education Review Office (ERO) so we are "due" for a visit from them this year. ERO are responsible for evaluating and reporting on the education and care of students in our school. As yet, we have not had a time for their visit confirmed.

We are also due for our triennial Catholic Character Review. This review is carried out by the Education Office from the Diocese of Palmerston North. Again, a date is yet to be confirmed. A Catholic Character Review is designed to safeguard and enhance the Catholic Special Character by supporting, enabling and encouraging Catholic schools:

1. to effectively maintain, develop and promote its Catholic Special Character;
2. to demonstrate acceptable standards of the Catholic Special Character dimensions.
3. to provide assurance to Proprietors and to parents/caregivers that their schools are authentically Catholic.
4. to ensure that each Catholic school, which is essentially the parish community assisting its parents/caregivers to provide for the faith formation of their children, does so in a collaborative relationship.

Trustee Elections

In May and June there will be the triennial trustee elections. The board's five parent representatives are elected by the voting community and whilst some may be looking to stand again, there will also likely be spaces for new trustees to put their names forward. If this is something you've thought about doing please consider it, if you have any questions we're happy to discuss them, or you can visit <http://www.trustee-election.co.nz/>.

Of course there are many other matters that the board will address and discuss during the term so if there is ever anything in particular you want to know about or discuss just let us know.

We wish you and all the children and staff a fantastic term and year ahead.

God bless



Patrick Jones
Chairperson

OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES...

PACK THE NEST

GOLD COIN ENTRY



Sunday 13th March 3pm

Support the Hawks for their first home game

GOLD COIN ENTRY

Lets Pack the Nest!!!

Pettigrew Green Arena - Taradale



NAPIER CITY ROVERS

JUNIOR REGISTRATION DAY

*Will be held on Saturday 27th February
between 9 - 11am
in the Napier City Rovers Clubrooms*

EFTPOS and registration facilities will be available

*Registration information can be found on our
website www.cityrovers.co.nz*

2016 PLAYING FEES

6th - 10th Grade \$70.00

11th - 12th Grade \$80.00

2 Players from the same family \$5 discount per child

3 players per family \$10 discount per child

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE E MAIL cityrovers@xtra.co.nz

**APOLOGIES FROM NAPIER CITY ROVERS...THE CORRECT TIME FOR
REGISTRATION IS 10.00AM—2.00PM**



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2016 Dates and Venues

WHANGAREI - Friday 19 Feb
DEVONPORT - Sunday 21 Feb
ROTORUA - Friday 26 Feb
HAMILTON - Saturday 27 Feb
TAURANGA - Sunday 28 Feb
NAPIER - Friday 04 Mar
HAWERA - Sunday 06 Mar
WELLINGTON - Saturday 12 Mar
PALMERSTON NORTH - Sunday 13 Mar
BLenheim - Thursday 17 Mar
CHRISTCHURCH - Saturday 19 Mar
DUNEDIN - Sunday 20 Mar
ALEXANDRIA - Tuesday 22 Mar
AUCKLAND - Saturday 02 Apr
CAMBRIDGE - Sunday 03 Apr

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TARADALE SOCCER CLUB – CLUB REGISTRATION DAY

The registration details are below:

Where: Taradale Sports Association,
Symonds Lane, Taradale

When: Sunday 28th & Monday 29th Feb

Time: 3.00-6.00pm on Sunday, and
6.00-8.00pm on Monday