



# REIGNIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## **THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Monday 10th October**

*First Day of Term 4*

*Stacey Gregg—Author Visit*

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Tuesday 18th—Thursday 20th October**

*Special Character Review*

**Friday 21st October**

*HB Anniversary—No School*

**Monday 24th October**

*Labour Day—No School*

**Wednesday 26th October**

*Kapahaka Festival—Year 5*

**Thursday 27th October**

*Kapahaka Festival—Year 5*

**Saturday 29th October**

*School Gala*

**Monday 31st—Friday 4 November**

*PAT Testing—All Week*

**Friday 11th November**

*Mass 11am*

*Baptisms*

*90th Birthday Celebrations*

*Blessing Sacred Space*

*Picnic*

**Monday 14th November**

*School Athletics Years 3-6*

**Tuesday 29th November**

*Interschool Athletics*

**Wednesday 30th**

**November—Friday 2nd**

**December**

*Year 3/4 Camp*

**Wednesday 7th December**

*Year 6 Leavers Dinner—TBC*

**Thursday 8th December**

*Year 5/6 Feast Day @ Guthrie*

*Smith*

**Thursday 15 December**

*Last Day of Term 4*

**Tena Koutou Katoa**

**Greetings Everyone**

Welcome back everyone. We hope everyone has had a great holiday and a good rest. We are gearing up for another busy term with lots to remember, so take note of the dates and times of events and keep them handy.

In this Year of Mercy the focus for October is to bury the dead, forgive offence.

There is a simple link between forgiveness of offences and burying the dead. The longer we carry bitterness or hurt in our inner self, from an offence or wrong, and will not forgive; the more and more we die on the inside, and in our relationships with others.

It is a simple truth.

The secret is to bury the dead. Let it go! Let us bury the dead; but more, let us celebrate the lives of those around us with forgiveness and thanks.

## **TERM 1 2017 DATES**

School will begin on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January and the term will finish on 13<sup>th</sup> April – Easter weekend

## **SPECIAL CHARACTER REVIEW**

Next week we welcome the Special Character Review team into the school to review our Special character. The team consisting of Rosalie Connors, Colleen Gleeson and Jane Dravitski will be observing in classrooms, talking to the Board, Father Peter, the staff and pupils about the state of our Special character and help us build a strategic plan for the next three years going forward. We welcome this opportunity to review this aspect of our school and make plans to make it better.

The team arrive on Tuesday morning and will be here until Thursday.

## **SENIOR SCHOOL CAMP**

Congratulations to all our Year 5 and 6 students and teachers on a highly successful camp. We were thrilled to be able to share it with you through Dojo online. It looked amazing. The challenges and activities were enthusiastically tackled and every child was able to try something new. A big thanks to our parent helpers who took a week of their time to support. Thank you especially to our teachers, Blair, Debra, Gary and Mel for the hard work they put in to prepare for and manage the whole camp. What a fantastic week.

The camp was ended with the group stopping at the Cathedral in Palmerston North, entering the holy door and praying and meditating. A wonderful way to finish.

## **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

As we head into the summer term, please check your child's uniform complies with school policy especially shoes and hair. Until Labour weekend children are able to wear a mix of either summer or winter uniform. From Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October all children should be in summer uniform. Hats will be compulsory from that date as well, so please hunt out the school hat and send it back to school. New ones are available in the Office. If your child for any reason needs to wear specialised footwear due to physical problems, we ask that you do everything you can to make them as close to regulation footwear as possible. We will not accept bright coloured trainers as an alternative. If you have an issue finding an alternative, please contact us at school so we can help you source something acceptable.

## **YOGHURT AND MILK**

For the last couple of terms we have asked you to refrain from sending yoghurt and milk to school due to a major health risk for one of our pupils. Senul's family and the staff sincerely thank you all for your compassion and thoughtfulness in supporting this as we know it is inconvenient. The great news is that following a skin test late last term, Senul's status has changed and his resilience to his allergy has increased. He is now no longer anaphylactic to dairy through skin contact, although ingesting it is still an issue. For this reason, we are able to relax a little and we are now able to allow milk and yoghurt as part of your child's lunch if you wish to send it.

## **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	Alexis Bloomfield Scarlett Westaway Nyno Holdampf	For always giving her best For a great attitude and progress in Reading For careful work on his calendar art
Room 1A	St Veronica	Lily Pywell Thana Pinnoi	For great Maths thinking For excellent progress in Reading
Room 3	St Mary McKillop	Stephanie Powell Ben Coffin Poppy McCaskey Arian Ward Campbell Thompson	For diligence and completing all learning activities well For great interviewing of his Nana For diligence and completing all learning activities well For good maths thinking with place value For good maths thinking with place value

### GALA

As you are well aware, the gala is fast approaching. If you have sellable items, please bring them in. Also, if you are able to help on the day, or in the days leading up to the gala, please contact the school office. We really need everyone in the school community to be a part of this for it to be successful. Get involved, have some fun, make new friends, and be a part of building school community.

### TERM ACCOUNTS

These will be going out early this term. Hopefully we can get most of the final expenses for the year on these so you can have your accounts paid up before the end of the year.

### 90<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATION

On 11<sup>th</sup> November we will be having a triple celebration at school, primarily to commemorate 90 years of the school being open on this site. We will begin by celebrating Mass at St Mary's at 11am, at which we will join the Jones family in baptizing the twins Scarlett and Emma. Following Mass we will come back to school and Father will bless the Sacred Space and officially open it. A picnic on the grass will complete the celebration. We invite everyone who wishes to join us to be a part of our special day.

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

### THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS...

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



### ALTAR SERVERS

**Sunday 16th October 9am Mass:** Thomas Cacho-Bevin, Caleb Marwick, Oliver Marwick

**Sunday 16th October 5pm Mass:** Kate O'Connor, Sasha Ward, Emma Harvey

### GENERAL NEWS...



### KAPAHAKA—YEAR 5 CHILDREN

A newsletter regarding kapahaka performances was emailed home to the whanau of Year 5 children at the end of last term. This newsletter has also been given to the children in the last two days. We are looking forward to performing for you in a couple of weeks. Friday morning kapahaka practices at 8.30am continue this week for those senior children in the festival.

### KIDS 4 KIDS

The children going to Kids 4 Kids have been told who they are. Tickets are on sale via the website [www.ticketek.co.nz](http://www.ticketek.co.nz) or Ph 0800 842 538.

### PRE-SCHOOL LIBRARY TIME

This Friday 14th October, 2-3pm in the library. All very welcome.

### SCHOOL PHOTOS

For any children that were away for school photos—Individual/Sibling only catch up photos will be taken this Friday. Please ensure children are still in their winter uniform for these.

### TEAM KERERU ASSEMBLY

**Room 6** will be leading the Team Kereru Assembly this Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 9am in the hall. All very welcome.

**Room 9** will be attending Mass on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 9.15am.

### TEAM PIWAKAWAKA ASSEMBLY

**Room 1A** will be leading the Team Piwakawaka assembly this Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 12.30pm in the hall. All very welcome.

## **THE GREAT ROALD DAHL RACE**

Will be held **this Thursday 11.30am—1pm**. Bring a change of clothes to run around in. Keyboard students who normally have their lessons after morning tea will have their lessons on Friday instead.

## **YEAR 6 LEAVERS DINNER**

The Year 6 leaver's dinner is always such a special occasion to celebrate our Year 6 students. Like in previous years, we 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 this Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm or touch base with Karyn Gouder in the school office.

## **THIS WEEK'S SPORTING NEWS...**

### **BASKETBALL—TERM 4**

*Draw for this Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October*

#### ***Year 1/2***

Reignier **Shooters** vs Team from Pool A at 3.30pm – Court 2

Reignier **Stars** vs Reignier Turbos at 3.30pm – Court 3

Reignier **Rockets** vs GMS Raiders at 3.30pm – Court 3c

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

Reignier **Breakers** vs GMS Rockets at 4.30pm – Court 1c

Reignier **Lakers** vs TPS Tigers at 5pm – Court 1

Reignier **Heat** vs Porritt Stingers at 5pm – Court 1b

Reignier **Hawks** vs TPS Hawks at 4.30pm – Court 3

Reignier **Thunder** vs Porritt Scorpions at 4pm – Court 1c

Reignier **Bulls** vs Clive Black at 4.30pm – Court 1b

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

Reignier **Saints** vs Clive Gold at 5.30pm – Court 1

Reignier **Hornets** vs Titans at 5.30pm – Court 3b

Reignier **Spurs** vs GMS Mavericks at 5pm – Court 3

Reignier **Spurs** vs Porritt Pumas at 5.30pm – Court 3

**PLEASE NOTE THAT REIGNIER SPURS HAVE 2 GAMES THIS WEEK**



### **YEAR 3-6 CRICKET**

Team lists for cricket were given out on Monday. **A huge thanks to the parents who have offered to help with a team – it is much appreciated!!!**

**We are still looking for 1 – 2 more Year 3/4 children to play cricket on Friday nights. Please email Mr J on [bjennyns@reignier.school.nz](mailto:bjennyns@reignier.school.nz) if your child is interested.**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> 11 Cricket practise**

Mr J will be running a practice for the 1<sup>st</sup> 11 players at school on Wednesdays from 3.15 – 4.30pm **starting this Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October**. 2<sup>nd</sup> 11 players are more than welcome to join the hardball practice after school on Wednesdays as well.

### **YEAR 1-2 T-BALL**

The team list was given out on Monday. **Again, a huge thanks needs to go to the parents who have offered to help with a team – thank you!**

**There will be NO Year 3/4 t-ball team due to lack of numbers.**

### **2017 WEETBIX TRIATHLON**

Information regarding the 2017 Weetbix Triathlon will be coming home shortly for any children interested. We would love to hear from any willing parents who would like to help co-ordinate this event on the day so we can get as many keen children to enter from our school as possible. This would require organising transport of bikes, setting up our tent, helping the children on the day etc. If this sounds like you, then please come in and let Mr J know ASAP or email him on [bjennyns@reignier.school.nz](mailto:bjennyns@reignier.school.nz)

## **PTA NEWS...**

### **GALA...CAN YOU HELP???**

If you have any old candles/candle wax lying around that you no longer want, could you please drop in to the school office or give to Lynley Halpin. Thank you.

## PTA NEWS CONTINUED...

### **ABACUS FUNDRAISER- CALENDARS, DIARIES, NOTEPADS ETC**

Order forms have been sent home for purchasing Abacus Calendars, Cards, Diaries, Notepads and Mouse Mats. The children's amazing creations can be viewed in their classrooms, or you can submit your own photo following the instructions on the order form. The products are very professional and make great gifts or keepsakes.

We appreciate your support with this fundraiser. Payments can be made by cash/cheque or Eftpos. **Please make cheques payable to Reignier School. All order forms completed IN FULL are to be returned by this Friday 14th October** in a sealed envelope to your child's teacher. (Please note that the order form states a return date of the 19th, but forms will be accepted until Friday 14th October). If you are ordering for more than one child and wish to write just one cheque, please submit separate order forms to each child's teacher and include the cheque for the total amount with the oldest students order. If you have any queries please phone Leah Ericksen 021 113 7551. Thank you.

### **GALA! GALA! GALA!** **SATURDAY 29th OCTOBER 2016!**

This is our school's biggest fundraiser for the year and your support is crucial.

If you have any business or corporate contacts that you think may help with sponsorship please contact Duane Coffin on Ph: 021 191 1328 or the school office.

**Donations** for gala can be dropped at any time to **Room 12**. Any queries please contact the office.

Please check your countdown flyer (attached to this newsletter) for the item being donated **this week**—

**\$10 DONATION TOWARDS CHICKENS/MEAT PRIZES FOR THE WHEEL!**

We thank you in advance for your generosity and support!!!

## SNAPSHOTS OF THE WEEK...

**WE WARMLY WELCOME LUCAS COLLINGS & HIS FAMILY TO REIGNIER!!!**



**A COUPLE OF HAPPY SNAPS FROM YEAR 5/6 CAMP!!!**



# IT'S GALA TIME!

## Reignier Catholic School Gala

**Saturday 29th October 11am**

Reignier's annual school gala is only 3 school 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 (school)** 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 safe eg on the fridge 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 be left by the PTA notice board or taken straight to Room 12. Sorry but we cannot accept TV's or computers so please don't bring these in.

## The Gala Countdown Has Begun...

### This week's it's a \$10 DONATION TOWARDS CHICKEN/MEAT PRIZES FOR THE WHEEL!

This week we ask families to make a **\$10 donation** towards the purchasing of chickens/meat packs for prizes for the wheel. This is to comply with health and safety regulations.

Please continue to drop other items to the office or put straight in to the supermarket trolley's that will be around the school. It is not to late to bring in any of the items previously listed or if it's easier to make a one-off donation.

**Next Week...Mystery Bottle.** Ideas for mystery bottle are Wine, Soft drink, Shampoo, Chocolate Sauce etc.

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

Date:	Items Required:
5th—9th September Week 1	<b>GROCERY ITEM AND SWEET STALL</b> Grocery item and a bag of soft lollies or an ingredient for sweet making (cocoa, condensed milk etc).
12th—16th September Week 2	<b>LUCKY DIP ITEM</b> Hair Clips, stickers, stationery, toy cars or any other small, new item.
19th—23rd September Week 3	<b>MYSTERY ENVELOPE</b> A new item suitable for a prize.
10th—14th October Week 4	<b>FROZEN CHICKENS/MEAT PRIZES FOR THE WHEEL</b> This year we are asking for a \$10 donation towards purchasing of chickens/ meat packs for prizes for the wheel. <b><i>This is to comply with health and safety regulations.</i></b>
17th—21st October Week 5	<b>MYSTERY BOTTLE</b> Wine, soft drink, shampoo, chocolate sauce etc.
24th—28th October Week 6	<b>RAFFLE WHEEL PRIZES</b> Boxes of chocolates, wine and any goods that would create interest for a good prize.



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## HOW CAN YOU HELP ON GALA DAY???

*We ask each family to fill out the slip below and return to the school office by Friday 14th October.*

I can help set up on the day before the Gala—Friday 28th October. Yes/No

I am available to help on Gala Day—Saturday 29th October. Yes/No

I would like to help on the \_\_\_\_\_ stall.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_

I am happy for my contact number to be given to the Gala Committee and Key Stall Holder to contact me. Yes/No

Comments/Notes for Gala Stall Organiser: .....

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Thank you in advance for your help and support of this event. A Gala committee member will be in touch to confirm where you will be needed on the day.

Any questions please contact Michelle 021 705 385 or Maggie 027 494 9401.



## HELPING OUR CHILDREN MAKE IT HAPPEN!!!

PLEASE KEEP THIS FLYER ON YOUR FRIDGE TO REMIND YOU OF EACH WEEK'S ITEM!



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Reignier Catholic School Gala

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October at 11am**



Each family is asked to donate six items over a six week period to assist with the gala stalls. To cater for everyone, this year we are giving families the option of making a **one off donation** instead of bringing in an item each week. If you wish to donate to the value of the items listed below, please complete the slip at the bottom of this flyer.

This is our school's main fundraising event so everybody's help is greatly appreciated.

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5 <sup>th</sup> - 9 <sup>th</sup> September Week 1	 <b>GROCERY ITEM AND SWEET STALL</b> Grocery item and a bag of soft <u>lollies</u> or an ingredient for sweet making (cocoa, condensed milk <u>etc</u> ).
12 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> September Week 2	 <b>LUCKY DIP ITEM</b> Hair Clips, stickers, stationery, toy cars or any other small, new item.
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**NB:** Goods can be left in the New World supermarket trolleys around the school.

Please complete this slip and return to the school office along with your cash or cheque (payable to Reignier School). EFTPOS is also available.

We would like to make a donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to contribute to the 2016 Reignier Catholic School Gala.

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Classroom(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for supporting the PTA. Helping all our children make it!