



REIGNIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday 29th November

Interschool Athletics

Final PTA Meeting/Dinner at 7pm

Wednesday 30th

November—Friday 2nd

December

Year 3/4 Camp

Friday 2nd December

Road Patrollers to Splash Planet

2017 New Entrants Visit

Tuesday 6th December

Year 5/6 HB Triathlon

Final BOT Meeting for 2017 at 7.30pm in Staffroom

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 7th December

Year 6 Leavers Dinner

Thursday 8th December

Year 5/6 Feast Day @ Guthrie Smith

Monday 12 December

Prizegiving 6pm at St Mary's Church

Wednesday 14 December

Parent Helpers Morning Tea at 11am in Staffroom

Thursday 15 December

*Final Mass at 11am
Last Day of Term 4*

Tena Koutou Katoa

Greetings Everyone

This week begins the season of Advent. In classrooms we see the purple cloth, a sign of penance, on the altar tables and the advent wreaths. We talk to the children about this time being a time of preparation and waiting. We get ourselves ready for the coming of Christ. We encourage you to recognise the season of Advent in your homes so our children can reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. It is easy to get swamped by the commercial side where we forget about Christ in our lives. Having an Advent Wreath is a simple way to do this. It is usually a circle of evergreen branches with four candles placed around it (usually 3 purple and one pink) one for each week of Advent. The circular wreath is a sign of God's never-ending loving care.

Our prayers and thoughts go out to Cruz Coles-Teepa and the whanau. Cruz lost his Mum Zoe who passed away following illness last week. Cruz started school here at Reignier in Room 1 and moved away to Taihape earlier this year to be closer to his whanau.

We also keep in our prayers those among us who are coping with illness, operations and hospitals. We ask God to bless these families and give them strength and solace.

INVITATION TO VIEW OUR COLLABORATIVE CLASSROOM

We would like to invite all who are interested to another open morning in our Collaborative classroom in rooms 2, 3 and 4 on the 8th December. This will be an opportunity for you to observe a typical morning in this learning environment and see how the daily routines operate. Following the open session, there will be an opportunity to come together in the staffroom to ask any questions or clarify what you have seen. This will then be followed by a celebration of success with the sharing of food and a games afternoon.

This may be of particular interest to the parents of year one and two students whose children will be learning in this environment in 2017. Some parents who have shared this journey in 2016 will also be available to talk to. If you are unable to attend due to other commitments and would like a conversation around how it will be structured next year, please contact me.

COLLABORATIVE CLASSROOM REVIEW

Attached to this newsletter is the review undertaken regarding the Collaborative classroom. We encourage you to read it.

END OF YEAR REPORTS

For all Year 4-6 students, these will be given out to parents on Monday 12th December. Any Year 1-3 students who are due anniversary reports or Interim reports in January will receive those before the end of the year as well. Classes for 2017 will be written on reports. The teachers of all students from Years 0-3 will receive a note informing parents of class placements for 2017 on Monday 12th. In the last week of school, the children will be spending a transition morning in their new class to help dispel any anxieties they may have regarding change.

SCHOOL POOL

The swimming pool is currently in use for the students, so please send togs along if the classroom teacher has indicated the class will be swimming. The pool will be available to the school community over the holiday period. Please inquire at the office for a pool key if you are interested in using it. The cost of the key is now **\$60** for the season. You will receive \$10 back when you return the key in March. Please abide by the pool rules and guidelines given out when you receive a key. One change you will notice is that the pool will be closed every Sunday morning between the hours of 9am—12noon so that George can clean and hose out the changing rooms etc.

The school community have been fantastic at looking after our pool during the summer. It makes a difference when there are eagle eyes keeping an eye on things.

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	Wei-Mi Yang Malakai Fletcher-Jenssen Ruby Wilson	For working with great focus For taking risks in writing—well done For enthusiastic, careful Art work
Room 1A	St Veronica	Saoirse Quinn Harry Nicol	For outstanding progress in Reading For being a good friend to others
Room 3	St Mary McKillop	Riley Kelsen Minudi Wickramaratna Willow Zajonskowski Emma Haworth Sam White Braith Carew	For marvellous Maths thinking For upholding the values and virtues of Reignier Catholic School For great reading progress For taking a more active role in her own learning For diligence in giving his best For thoughtful contributions to class discussions
Room 5	St Gerard	Wylliam Overend Finn Devereux	For great work on his Saint study For settling to tasks very quickly
Room 6	St Francis	Harry Cooper Francesca Pilcher	For his enthusiasm for stories and books For her enthusiasm for learning
Room 8	St Anne	Charlie Allan Orla Gleeson Max Fysh	For outstanding progress in Maths thinking For showing perseverance and drive to personal excellence in Writing For extending yourself and striving for personal excellence in RE
Room 9	St Bridget	Poutama Watson Gaku Takahashi	For his voice projection and confidence when presenting his speech For extending himself well and for showing personal excellence
Room 10	St John Bosco	Ryan Tantrum Zara Sheard Vincent Jones	For his confidence and expression during his speech performance For her outstanding Athletics poetic writing For his positive, hardworking attitude

Please help us again this year to keep vandalism and negative behaviour out. There are not too many community school pools left, and we want to hang onto ours!

END OF YEAR MASS

On Thursday 15th December at 11am we finish the school year by celebrating Eucharist together at St Mary's church. At this Mass we farewell and bless our Year 6 students and their families, and thank God for the year we have had together. The children will be dismissed for the holidays at the end of Mass from the church. They will have their bags and gear with them, so they can go straight home. We would love everybody to come to this Mass and join in our celebration.

In recent years you have generously donated a 'special non perishable treat' for Christmas dinner for a needy family. They have formed part of the offertory procession at our final Mass. Items could be Brandy Snap Cases, Christmas Mince Pies, Éclair Cases, Earnest Adam Slice, Chocolates, Christmas Pudding, Fancy Biscuits—or anything else you would like to eat at Christmas. Please give the item to your child's class teacher. Your generosity is always appreciated.

END OF YEAR PRIZEGIVING

This is being held on Monday evening 12th December at 6pm at St Mary's church. Please could all the children be at the church by 5.40pm in full summer school uniform. They may wear a piece of tinsel in their hair. This is a very special evening, one not to be missed. We invite all our families and extended families to be a part of our Christmas celebration.

PARENT HELPERS MORNING TEA

On Wednesday 14th December at 11am the staff would like to thank and recognise all Board members, parents and friends of the school who have helped out in any way throughout the year. We know that many people give their time, energy and support to the school in lots of different ways and we would like to have the opportunity to acknowledge this personally. If you put away books, help on camps and trips, help at sports days, transport children anywhere, do a road patrol duty etc. please come along to this morning tea if you are able and enjoy morning tea with us. **Please RSVP to the office or email admin@reignier.school.nz if you are attending for catering purposes. Don't be shy!**

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

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS...

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ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday 4th December 9am Mass: Noel Castellino, Ella Brassington, Thomas Jones, Molly Smith

Sunday 4th December 5pm Mass: Alex Graney, Ben Graney

YOUTH EVENT...Come along and join us for an evening of Food & Fun. Friday 2nd December, starts 6pm, Heavey Hall, St Thomas Moore, 92 Wycliffe St. Celebrating our achievements this year! Father Christmas may even show up!! Contact 0211 639 620 or 835 3621 xtn 703 or email cpnyouth@gmail.com with any queries.

GENERAL NEWS...



LIBRARY

The library will be closed **Friday 9th December**. If your child has library books out please ensure they are returned to school by next Friday at the latest.

TEAM KERERU ASSEMBLY

There will be **NO** Team Kereru Assembly this week due to the Year 3/4 Camp.

No Team Kereru classes will be attending Mass this Thursday due to the Year 3/4 Camp and the Year 5/6 Speech finals.

Room 9 and 10 will attend Mass this Friday 2nd December.

TEAM PIWAKAWAKA ASSEMBLY

Room 3 will be leading our Team Piwakawaka assembly this Friday 2nd December at 12.30pm.

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop closes for 2016 this **Friday 2nd December**. No orders will be processed after Friday. The shop will resume first week back in 2017.

YEAR 5/6 ORAL COMMUNICATION SPEECH FINALS

The Year 5/6 speech finals will be held this Thursday 1st December, starting at 9.15am in the hall. All parents/supporters are welcome to come along and watch. The winner of the speech finals will win the Oral Communication Cup for 2016.

THIS WEEK'S SPORTING NEWS...

BASKETBALL—TERM 4

Results from last week;

Year 1/2

Reignier **Stars** beat TPS Breakers 16-14. POD—Alex Chapman

Reignier **Turbos** beat Reignier **Rockets** 20-18. POD—Claudia Jones (Turbos)

Reignier **Shooters** lost TPS Rockets 11-14. POD—Senul Fernando

Year 3/4

Reignier **Breakers** beat AMS Bulls. POD's—The whole team

Reignier **Bulls** lost to Porritt Buzzy Bees. POD—Molly Smith

Reignier **Hawks** lost GMS Rockets 14-16. POD—Rose Jones

Reignier **Thunder** beat Porritt Wasps 26-13. POD's—The whole team

Reignier **Heat** beat GMS Raptors 26-16. POD's—Brian Sadakorn and Noah Onuma

Reignier **Lakers** lost to Clive Purple. POD—Charlie Allan

Year 5/6

Reignier **Saints** beat AMS Celtics 36-26. POD's—Harry Unwin, Max Signal and Emma Harvey

Reignier **Hornets** lost to GMS Mavericks.

Reignier **Spurs** lost to TPS Storm. POD—Abbie Gardiner

Basketball Draw for Thursday 1st December

Year 1/2

Reignier **Stars** vs GMS Raiders at 3.30pm – Court 3

Reignier **Turbos** vs GMS Tigers at 3.30pm – Court 2

Reignier **Rockets** vs at TPS Breakers at 3.30pm – Court 3c

Reignier **Shooters** vs TPS Raiders at 3.30pm – Court 1c

Could the coaches of the Year 1/2 teams please email Mr J the result and Player of the Day after each game to bjenyms@reignier.school.nz so the results can be put in the newsletter each week.

Year 3/4

There will be NO Year 3/4 Basketball games this week due the Year 3/4 Camp

Year 5/6

Reignier **Saints** vs Clive Blue at 6.30pm – Court 2

Reignier **Hornets** vs Clive Red at 5.30pm – 3b

Reignier **Spurs** vs Titans at 5.30pm – Court 3

CRICKET TERM 4 YEARS 3-6

Year 3/4

Reignier **Black Caps** beat Nelson Park. POD's—Archie Hollier, Jack Hunt and Braith Carew. (BIG thanks to Lance Hunt, Dylan Rae and Ethan Macintosh for playing for the other team)

Reignier **Stags** beat NOBM. POD's—Jai Muggleston and Jackson Morley

Year 5/6

1st 11 beat TPS Williamsons. POD's—Jack Walling (Batting) and Max Signal (Bowling)

2nd 11 lost to Bledisloe. POD's—Archer Ericksen (Batting) and Sophie Gouder (Bowling)

Draw for Week 8: Mr J will hand out the draw to all cricket players when it becomes available this week.

Please note...there will be **NO** Year 3/4 cricket games this Friday 2nd December due to children getting back from the Year 3/4 camp.

1st 11 Cricket Practise

Mr J will be running a practice for the 1st 11 players at school on Wednesdays from 3.15 – 4.30pm.

2nd 11 players are more than welcome to join the hardball practice after school on Wednesdays as well.

THIS WEDNESDAY 30TH NOVEMBER WILL BE THE LAST WEDNESDAY 'AFTER-SCHOOL' CRICKET PRACTISE.

NETBALL YEARS 1-2

Congratulations to the Reignier Magic Player of the day last week—Emma Haworth—well done!

Result from last week: Reignier beat St Patrick's. POD—Corban Murfin

T-Ball Draw for this Saturday 3rd December:

Reignier **Rockets** have a 'bye' this week. However a 'Parents vs Kids' game has been organised.

Parents vs Kids at 10.15am -Tareha Park

Please contact Glen Baylis (glen.baylis@yara.com) if you are unable to attend.

COMMUNITY NOTICES...



We are running our popular holiday programme again in the January.

Children will do gymnastics, cooking and craft activities. The programme runs Monday to Friday for 3 weeks from the 9th to the 27th of January. Registration forms are available from the gym, or by email omnigymnastics@xtra.co.nz

Limited places, get your registrations in fast.



PLACE TO RENT...A Japanese mother and three children (8yr Boy / 5yr Boy / 3yr Girl) are looking for a house/ large sleep out/ flat to rent between the mid Jan and mid July 2017. Two boys are Reignier students. Please email kana@yotecott.co.nz if you can help.

PLACE TO RENT..."Mature couple with son attending Year 2 in January at Reignier are looking for permanent or short term accommodation (House sitting). Prefer Taradale or Greenmeadows. Can provide excellent references on request. Please contact Gerard on gdblitz@gmail.com.

HELP WANTED... After school childcare 3-4 days a week for two Reignier School children, from the beginning of next year. Contact Hazel on 021 502 666

SUMMER READING PROGRAMME...Register at Napier or Taradale Library—10am—Saturday 10th December. Limited Spaces Available.

JULIA GYDE SCHOOL OF DANCE...Recital Marlin's Deep Sea Adventure, Sunday 4th December at 3pm at Taradale High School Hall. Ticket sales at the door.

MARILYN SWAN ACADEMY OF DANCE...Recital Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, Sunday 11th December at 3pm at Taradale High School Hall. Door Sales. Adults \$15, Students \$10.

You can
LEARN
something new
EVERYDAY
If you
LISTEN



**WORK
HARD**
and
BE KIND
to each other.

