



REIGNIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday 6th December

Year 5/6 HB Triathlon

*Final BOT Meeting for 2017 at
7.30pm in Staffroom*

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*

UPCOMING EVENTS

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 will be officially the final newsletter for the year. It sure has been a busy one, although highly successful. Thank you to all whanau who have supported your children and the teachers on pathways to learning this year. Congratulations to all our children who have achieved wonderful things throughout the year. God bless you all. I hope you have a very happy Christmas and a restful holiday.

The Mass times for the Christmas season will be on the Parish website and in the Parish newsletter. Look out for these in the next couple of weeks.

HALL UPDATE

It is with great excitement that the Board are able to announce that the Catholic Diocese of Palmerston North have accepted tenders to build the new hall, and the project will begin on January 4th 2017. The first part of the project will be the removal of the old block of classrooms at the front of the school which will take place during the holidays. By the time you all come back to school at the end of January, the site should be clear and the new build beginning. The old classrooms are asbestos and although this will be well managed, nobody is permitted to enter the fenced secure construction site, and please stay away from the site altogether during demolition works. We have been assured that if you are using the pool then you are in no danger of exposure to asbestos as long as you stay away from the front area of the school. However anyone who uses the pool does so at their own risk.

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 Thursday 8th December. From 9.15am there 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 at about 10.15am, 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.

EXTRA TEACHERS

It is with pleasure that we welcome Kara Leigh Jones back next year as the 0.6 teacher in the Piwakawaka team. Kara Leigh will be working alongside Sheryl Riceman and Catherine Cawston in the collaborative class. Rachael Quinney will also be joining the team as a release teacher. We welcome her back into the classroom.

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 send 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. This has always worked really well in the past, and children finish the year feeling happy and excited about the next year.

SCHOOL POOL

Please inquire at the office for a pool key if you are interested in using it, only a few left. 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

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	Richard Yang Leah McDowell Nicole Gregory Connor Aspinall	For great all round progress in Room 1 For wonderful writing progress For her efforts in Writing For 1-1 pointing in Reading
Room 1A	St Veronica	Holly Adams Ben Reilly	For being a great friend to her classmates especially when they are hurt or sad For working with great focus
Room 3	St Mary McKillop	Aaliah Hamilton Xavier Labat Greer Dooney Daniyal Sheikh	For good maths thinking with money problems For super writing progress For focused and thoughtful work during reading For careful thinking while reading leading to thoughtful comments and answers

be closed every Sunday morning between the hours of 9-12pm 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. Please help us again this year to keep vandalism and negative behavior 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!**

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

It would be much appreciated if everyone could have their school accounts paid to the office before the holidays. It especially helps the finance team if you are a family leaving the school at the end of the year. Thank you.

TSUNAMI EVACUATION PROCEDURES

In response to the earthquakes in Kaikoura of late, I have had a number of parents asking recently what our Tsunami evacuation procedures are. The Civil Defence have recently detailed the different zones which would require evacuation in the event of an earthquake measuring 7 or more on the Richter scale centred along the East coast of NZ (This is worst case scenario). We are currently in the yellow zone which is the zone that could still be affected but furthest from the main event. Because of this, we are reviewing our original evacuation plan to one that is simpler and would only require us shifting the children a few blocks. In case of an earthquake where it is difficult to stand up in, or continues to roll extensively for more than a minute we are advised to not wait for official civil defence notification, but to move into a white zone as soon as possible. In this case, we would gather the children on the school field, ensure every child was accounted for and walk all children down Osier Rd, through Knightsbridge to Church Road Winery which is in the white zone. A notification will go out on Facebook, the school App and the website to parents (if possible) to collect their children from the Green. If communication is down then it is important that our school community know and remember this meeting place. All this information will also be on the website and school app to refer to in the case of an emergency.

Ma te Atua koutou e tiaki God bless you all
Happy New Year. See you all back on Monday 30th January!!!
Julia Johnson

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS...

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ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday 11th December 9am Mass: Thomas Cacho-Bevin, Caleb Marwick, Oliver Marwick

Sunday 11th December 5pm Mass: Kate O'Connor, Sasha Ward, Emma Harvey

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

Are any Altar Servers available for Christmas Mass? Please contact Maree Paterson 027 217 5066 or see me at school.

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...



FOOTPATH CLOSED

The footpath on Guppy Road (school side) between Moller and Elbourne Street will be closed tomorrow while concrete is poured on the building site. Please be mindful of this when dropping and picking children up from school. If wet, it gets delayed by a day until weather permits. Any questions please see the office.

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.

MARKET STALL—ROOM 8

To conclude the Year of Mercy Room 8 will be holding a small market stall for the kids at school. All items \$2 or less. To be held on Friday 9 December at 11.45am. Money raised for the Napier Family Centre Christmas Gift Appeal.

TEAM KERERU ASSEMBLY

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

Rooms 6 and 8 will attending Mass this Thursday 8th December at 9.15am.

TEAM PIWAKAWAKA INFORMATION

Thursday 8th December—Open Morning 9.15am—10.15am followed by information sharing meeting.

Mini Athletics afternoon from 2-3pm, children may bring house colours to change into. Helpers/parents welcome to join us for a picnic lunch at 1pm. If you are available to help please let your child's class teacher know.

NO Piwakawaka assembly this Friday due to break up practices. Our final team assembly will be **Tuesday 13th December** at 12.30pm. All welcome.

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop **HAS CLOSED FOR 2016**. The shop will resume first week back in 2017.

THIS WEEK'S SPORTING NEWS...

BASKETBALL—TERM 4

Results from last week;

Year 1/2

Reignier **Stars** beat GMS Raiders 28-8. POD—Ayrada Sadakorn

Reignier **Turbos** beat GMS Tigers 8-4. POD's—The Whole Team

Reignier **Rockets** lost to TPS Breakers.

Reignier **Shooters** beat TPS Raiders 30-6. POD's—The Whole Team

Year 3/4

There were **NO** Year 3/4 Basketball games due to camp.

Year 5/6

Reignier **Saints** beat Clive Blue 43-24. POD's—Carter Frame Tavita

Reignier **Hornets** beat Clive Red 33-29, POD—Tre' Jeffares

Reignier **Spurs** lost to Titans 32-36. POD —Sophie Gouder

Basketball Draw for Thursday 8th December:

Year 1/2

Reignier **Stars** vs TPS Rockets at 3.30pm – Court 2 (**FINAL**)

Reignier **Turbos** vs GMS Bullets at 3.30pm – Court 1b

Reignier **Rockets** vs Reignier **Shooters** at 3.30pm - Court 3

Year 3/4

Reignier **Breakers** vs GMS Warriors at 4.30pm – Court 1c
Reignier **Bulls** vs GMS Rockets at 4.30pm – Court 3c
Reignier **Hawks** vs Porritt Buzzy Bees at 4.30pm - Court 3b
Reignier **Thunder** vs Porritt Hornets at 4pm – Court 3
Reignier **Heat** vs Clive Purple at 5pm – Court 1 **(FINAL)**
Reignier **Lakers** vs GMS Raptors at 5pm – Court 1b

Year 5/6

Reignier **Saints** vs Porritt Rockers at 6.30pm - Court
Reignier **Hornets** vs Titans at 6pm – Court 3
Reignier **Spurs** vs Clive Red at 6pm – Court 3b

CRICKET TERM 4 YEARS 3-6

Year 3/4

There was no cricket for our Year 3/4 teams.

Year 5/6

1st 11 beat Arthur Miller 152-33. POD's—Harry Campbell and Abbie Gardiner (batting), Jacob Cotter and Rory O'Mahony (bowling)
2nd 11 lost to Nelson Park. POD's—Lachlan Ward (batting), Sophie Gouder and Pippa Giddens (bowling)

Draw for this Friday 9th December and Saturday 10th December:

Year 3/4

Reignier **Stags** vs Eskdale - Nelson Park 5 at 3.30pm
Reignier **Black Caps** vs St Patrick's - Nelson Park 6 at 3.30pm

Year 5/6

Reignier **1st 11** vs Taradale Primary School Taylors at Park Island 3
Reignier **2nd 11** - BYE (no game this week)

There will be NO 1st 11 cricket practise after school this week.

A big thanks to the parents who have helped coach, score and manage our cricket teams this term. Your time and support is hugely appreciated – thanks so much!

T-BALL

T-Ball Draw for Saturday 10th December –Last game for the year: Reignier **Rockets** vs AMS Lions at 10.15am – Tareha 7

Again, another huge thanks to the parents who have given up their time each Saturday to help with our T-Ball team. It's so great to give our Year 1/2's the option to play T-Ball and we really appreciate your support – thanks!!!

COMMUNITY NOTICES...



We are running our popular holiday programme again in 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@yottecott.co.nz if you can help.

NANNY WANTED...To look after 2 Reignier school children after school 3-4 days a week, from Term 1 next year. Good rates. Contact Hazel on 021 502 666. Thanks.

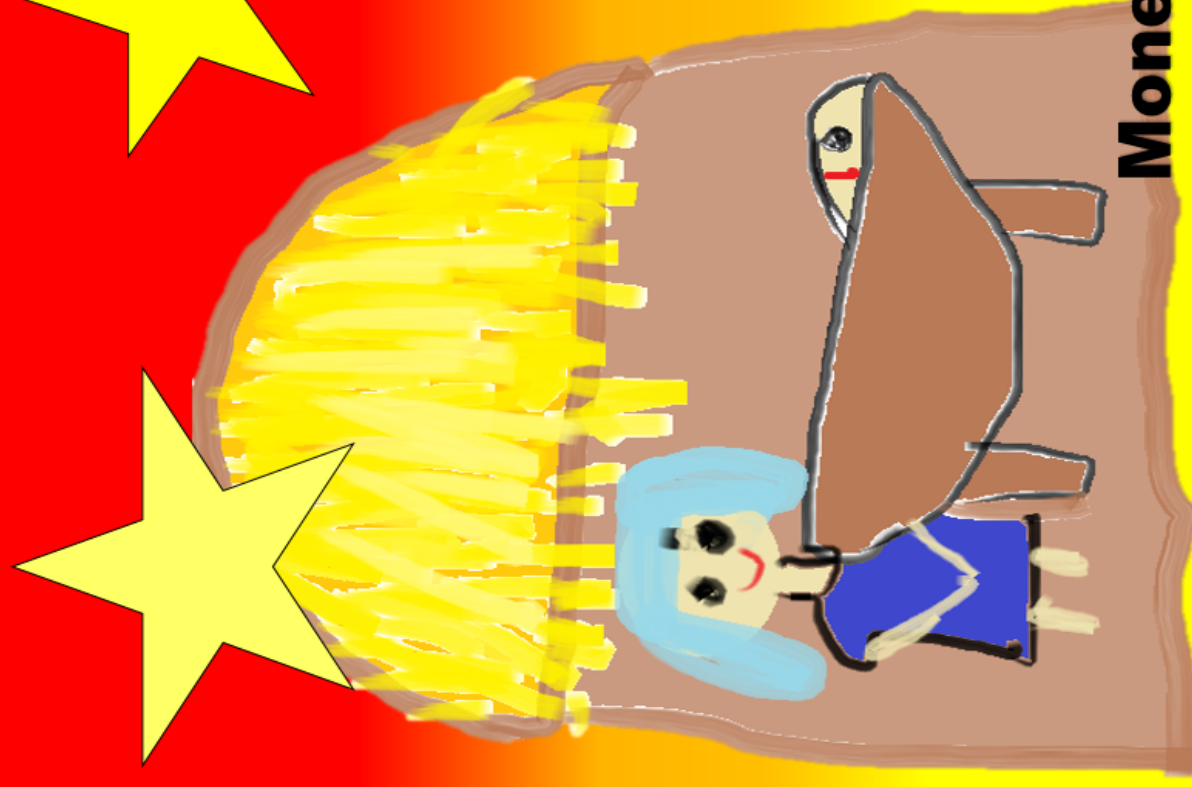
SUMMER READING PROGRAMME...Register at Napier or Taradale Library—10am—Saturday 10th December. Limited Spaces Available.

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.

TEAM UP WITH TREMAINS...Fundraiser...When someone associated with the school lists their property for sale with one of the Tremains agents, they simply register Reignier and for every property sold they will give the school back \$500.



MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!



Room 8 Market stall

**Friday 9th
Dec 11:45**

All items \$2 or less

Money for the Napier Family Center .