



REIGNIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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THE FORTNIGHT AHEAD

Tuesday 27th November
Leavers Dinner—RSA

Thursday 29th November
*Reporting Session at 8.30am &
5.30pm in the Staffroom*

Monday 3rd December
Speech Finals—Years 5/6

Tuesday 4th December
HB Triathlon

Thursday 6th December
*Parent Helpers Morning Tea at
11am in the Staffroom—NOTE
CHANGE IN DATE*

Monday 10th December
*Prizegiving—6pm at St Mary's
Church*

Tuesday 11th December
Reports Home

Thursday 13th December
*Final Mass—11am at St
Mary's Church
End of Term 4*

Tena Koutou Katoa

Greetings Everyone

This Sunday begins the season of Advent. Next week in classrooms we will see the purple cloth and the advent wreaths on the altar tables. We talk to the children about this time being a time of preparation and waiting. We are getting 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 and praying with it each day 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. Each week we light another candle so at the end of Advent all 4 candles are lit. The pink candle is lit in the third week of Advent. The circular wreath is a sign of God's never-ending love and care for us.



As this is the final newsletter for 2018, I am making a few announcements for 2019:

TEACHING STAFF 2019

Room 5	New Entrant Mrs Sarah Mellon	(12) 25 to follow during the year
Room 6	Years 1/2 Mrs Kara-Leigh Jones	(16)
Room 7	Years 1/2 Mrs Sheryl Riceman DP and Junior Team Leader	(17)
Room 8	Years 1/2 Ms Pip Brooker	(16)
Room 2	Years 3/4 Ms Mel Davis DRS	(26)
Room 4	Years 3/4 Miss Steph Ellison	(26)
Room 9	Years 5/6 Mrs Deb Gibson Senior Team Leader	(29)
Room 11	Years 5/6 Mr Gary Nairn - SENCO	(28)
Mrs Rachel Quinney—0.4 Part Time Permanent - SLT Release		
Mrs Erin Smith—0.6 Part Time Permanent		
Mrs Lara Hollier—0.4 Reading Recovery		

STAFFING 2019

ALL support staff will stay the same and will have similar positions for next year. This means that our staffing for next year is very stable which means very little disruption for our tamariki. Miss Ellison who was a student teacher at Reignier in Term 3 has been given the opportunity to be a relieving teacher in a Fixed Term position until Miss Lee returns in Term 4. Miss Ellison showed her worth at Year 5/6 camp when she slotted in as a team member and in my view did an outstanding job, therefore she got the fixed term position here at Reignier.

BEGINNING OF 2019

School will resume for 2019 on Monday 4th February at 8.55am. The school office will be open during the last week of January in the mornings if there is anything that people need. Term 1 will end on 12th April 2019.

YEAR 3/4 CAMP—THANK YOU

Thank you to the parents and caregivers for their outstanding support and hard work during the Year 3/4 Camp last week. Of particular note was your preparedness to do whatever was asked of you and step up when you saw that something needed doing. Parent support such as this, makes camp a valuable and enjoyable learning experience. Your support is much appreciated.

MISSION STATEMENT

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

CLASS AWARDS—CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE CHILDREN

Nest 5	St Gerard	Cassie Woolrich Ciara Butler Weston Gillies Amy McDowell Jack Pay Senaya Fernando	For excellent progress in reading For hard work in writing For being extra helpful in class For using her voice and speaking up in class For a great start in reading For hard work in mathematics
Nest 3	St Mary McKillop	Ashley Sawyer Jaxson Adams Quinn Rogers Gwen Jaritz Caleb Westaway	For wonderful reading and neat work For being a kind and caring class member who is considerate of others For your super effort at reading For writing a beautiful prayer to Mary
Nest 6	St Francis	Oliver White Elijah Mills Talon Lawton	For being super helper and for being very quick at tidy Nest 6 For reading with confidence and for attempting to read quickly, like we are talking For excellent maths work using number to 100 For excellent progress in reading
Nest 4	St Therese	Theo Dacre Malakai Fletcher-Jenssen Wei-Mi Huang Masaki Tsujiyama Hugo Jeffares	For excellent work during maths learning about symmetry For fabulous singing and maths progress For great progress in maths strategy For new learning in maths
Room 2	St Angela	Max Sebileau Senul Fernando Thana Pinnoi Scarlett Westaway	For amazing reading progress For fabulous focus learning about plants native and endemic For superb manners and courtesy to others For a fabulous attitude to all camp activities
Room 8	St Thomas Moore	Danyon Dohmen Mia Deihl Stella Grams	For being a kind and helpful class member For fantastic thinking and problem solving in maths For your fantastic attitude to learning For your fabulous thinking and progress in maths
Room 11	St Dominic	Abbey Kaio Dylan Mabry	For outstanding work with Room 2 during our Inquiry sessions For fantastic progress in maths
Room 9	St Bridget	Zoe Sebileau Ashley Narayan Iraia Roberts Ava Koenigsberger	For always showing enthusiasm towards her learning For always working hard to improve her literacy skills For showing outstanding compassion on the athletic track For showing perseverance in all areas of the curriculum
Room 10	St John Bosco	Poppy Walling Yu Gao Tara Labat Ethan Macintosh Kate Harvey	For showing perseverance in maths For super work writing her speech For great clarity during her speech presentation For being a super role model for others For working hard in maths



MATHLETICS

Reignier entered 3 mathletics teams into the Mathletics competition that took place last week at Puketapu School. Congratulations to all the teams, they did us proud. A special word of congratulations to the team consisting of Ruby Lo, Siyeon Park and Harry Cooper who was placed third overall and received a bronze medal. Ruby Lo also scored the highest in the “individual” test. Congratulations Ruby!

HAWKE’S BAY ATHLETICS

Last week we also had the Hawke’s Bay Primary athletics championships and all our athletes did extremely well. I am very proud of the manner in which they all competed. I am adamant that the “fitness regime” followed here at Reignier over the last term had much to do with our great results. The following students get a honourable mention due their overall placing at the event. Liam Reilly 6th, Ben Reilly 6th, Iraia Roberts 2nd and well done to Makayla Jones, 1st overall in 10 year old girls and Francesca Pilcher, 1st overall in 9 year old girls. We are proud of you!

PRIZEGIVING

Our end of year Prizegiving takes place on Monday the 10th of December at 6pm at St Mary’s Church. You are all invited to come and celebrate this event with us.

FINAL MASS

On Thursday 13th December at 11am at St Mary’s Church in Taradale we finish the school year by celebrating Eucharist together. At this Mass we farewell and bless our Year 6 students and their families. We give thanks to 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. As per our Reignier tradition we ask you to donate a ‘special non-perishable treat’ for Christmas dinner for a needy family. These gifts have formed part of the offertory procession at our final Mass. Items could be: Brandy Snap Cases, Christmas Mince Pies, Éclair Cases, Ernest 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.

PARENT HELPERS MORNING TEA

Next Thursday 6th December at 11am the staff would like to thank and recognise all 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, manage/coach sports teams, 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!

LEAVERS DINNER

Tonight we are celebrating our Year 6 school leavers. This is an institutional event at Reignier. I am proud to be part of this and I am looking forward being part of celebrating our wonderful school leavers. It is only fitting for me to acknowledge our Year 6 students in our final newsletter. You have been part of Reignier Catholic Primary School for many years. Take with you the knowledge that we shall eagerly follow your progress.

And remember to live by these Reignier values: Integrity, Respect, Excellence and always serve your Community. God Bless YOU!

SCHOOL POOL

The pool will be available only to the school community over the holiday period. Please enquire at the office for a pool key if you are interested in using it. The cost of the key is \$70 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. 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.

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.

STATIONERY 2019

Stationery packs will once again be available from OfficeMax for 2019. These will be available to purchase from early January. More information will be posted on the school website as school draws to a close.

LIBRARY/SCHOOL BOOKS AMNESTY WEEK

Next week from Monday 3rd to Friday 7th December we will hold a school wide book amnesty. All books returned during this term will result in the student receiving a token for the token draw. The class with the most tokens will get an extra long play.

THANK YOU

Last but not least, all that is left in this our last newsletter, is to thank the most important people here at Reignier, MY teachers and MY support staff. I wish I had the ability to put into words exactly how I feel about your dedication and passion for OUR school. Words fail me. I thank you sincerely for the year that has been and I am looking forward to 2019 with eager anticipation. Thank you and may God bless you and your families over the festive season.

To the community of Reignier School thank you for making Bonnie and myself part of the “Reignier family”. Enjoy spending time with friends and family. God bless you all.

Merry Christmas and may 2019 be prosperous for us all.

Ma Te Atua koutou e tiaki
God bless you all
Anton Heyns

PARISH NEWS...



Sunday 2nd December 9am Mass: Jonty Unwin, Harry Unwin, Sophia Unwin, Violet Unwin

Sunday 2nd December 5pm Mass: Matthew Eagles

Sunday 9th December 9am Mass: Jake Coffin, Thomas Jones

Sunday 9th December 5pm Mass: Kate Harvey

GENERAL NEWS...

PRESENTATION ASSEMBLY & MASS REPRESENTATION.

This Friday, 30th November **Room 11** will lead our presentation assembly and on Friday 7th December **Room 10** will lead our presentation assembly. All are welcome to attend.

Rooms 11 & 6 will attend mass this Thursday 29th November and **Rooms 9 & 10** will attend mass on Thursday 6th December.

THIS WEEK'S SPORTING NEWS...

SPORTS DRAWS

Just a reminder if your child is playing summer sports that you have signed your child up to play for the whole term. Please let your coach know if they can't make a game. Remember all draws will be put on the school app under the relevant sport. Please remember to sign up for the sport you require. You can also find the draws on the relevant sporting codes websites.

To sign up for the different sports on the school app you need to – Go into the school app and tap the top left hand button (looks like 3 lines), then a Menu will appear. Tap on Alert Subscriptions, then Sport, then turn on the different sports you wish to receive alerts for eg if your child plays hockey, turn on the hockey notifications.

If you have any questions please email Margo at sportadmin@reignier.school.nz

You can also find the draws on the sporting codes websites.

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY—NZ UNDER 21'S VS AUSTRALIA UNDER 21'S

Hawke's Bay Hockey Association is hosting the Under 21 Women's Trans Tasman Series at Park Island from Thursday 29th November to Sunday 2nd December.

They are encouraging pupils to attend the match on Thursday 29th November. The match kicks off at 4pm and it's free entry!! The best represented school at the Thursday match will win Just Hockey vouchers to the value of \$300 to go towards the purchase of hockey equipment for our school, so go along and watch in your school uniform or PE gear. Ex-pupil Kaitlyn Cotter is in the team.

The other two matches are Saturday 1st December and Sunday 2nd December at 2pm with a gold coin entry fee.

INTER—SCHOOL ATHLETICS

All students who participated in the Inter-school athletics please return your washed tracksuit jackets to the school office by the end of the week.

SUMMER HOCKEY 2019

Notices for Yr3-6 summer hockey were given out last week. If your child missed getting one, there are spare notices in the school office. These need to be returned by Friday 30th November at the latest. There will be a Funsticks programme running again in Term 1 for Year 1&2 and I will have notices for this at the start of Term 1.

WEETBIX TRYATHLON 2019

It's that time of year again when your child may like to think about giving the Weetbix Tryathlon a go. The date is **Tuesday 12th February 2019** at Frimley Park Hastings. Register early and you will receive the early bird discount.

If your child is 7 years of age or older they are allowed to participate. It is a great day and the children feel a real sense of achievement crossing the finish line and receiving their medal from a top NZ Athlete.

Please go to the following website to find out more information and how to register your child.

www.try.weetbix.co.nz . Please remember when you register your child to link their registration to Reignier Catholic School as there are prizes for the schools with the most entries.

Please note this is a non-school event therefore it is the parent's responsibility to make arrangements to get their child to and from the event. We can still assemble as a school at the event though. There are flyers about the event available from the school office.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact Margo via email sportadmin@reignier.school.nz

PTA NEWS...

UNIFORM SHOP CLOSING FOR 2018

The last day the school uniform shop will be open for 2018 is this Thursday 29th November. So please purchase any items needed now, as this date is fast approaching. We will reopen when school returns, Monday 4th February 2019. We hope you all have a wonderful break and Merry Christmas.

ANNUAL COMMITMENT

As the fundraising arm of the school the PTA has an annual commitment to the school of \$22,900. We feel that there are lots of smaller things that assist with the running of the school that we would like to share with you that you may have never thought of.

The following annual commitments include;

Feast days, Rainy Day Activities, Christmas Activities, Library, ICT, Tissues and Sunblock, Middle and Senior Camp, Pastoral Care, Leavers Dinner, Sports Equipment and Uniforms.

These things are able through your generous contribution in time and effort from helping out with a sausage sizzle to the gala.

As a small school, we punch above our weight and it is this school community and family spirit that makes Reignier School what it is. We would love for you to come along and join in next year and it doesn't have to be a big commitment.

Finally we wish all those parents and children who are moving on from Reignier school this year all the best in the future and thank you for all the help you have given during your time here.

Best Wishes, The Reignier School Parent Teacher Association

SNAPSHOTS OF THE WEEK...

REIGNIER'S CHRISTMAS TREE FOR THE TARADALE SHOPPING CENTRE...
AREN'T NEST 6 STUDENTS SO AMAZING?!



COMMUNITY NOTICES...

WANNA JOIN A FRIENDLY NETBALL CLUB?

**NAPIER EX HIGH
MARIST**

WHETHER YOU'RE SOCIAL OR SERIOUS
COME JOIN THE FUN!!!

MESSAGE US NOW ABOUT JOINING US NEXT SEASON!!!

**WOMEN'S
UNDER
TRANS
TASMAN
HOCKEY SERIES**

PRESENTED BY LAUTREC CONSULTING ENGINEERS

PARK ISLAND HAWKE'S BAY

Get down to the turf for the **FIRST GAME** of the series on **Thursday, November 29 at 4:00 pm.**
It's **FREE ENTRY** and we will be giving away some goodies for kids at the game.
www.hbhockey.org.nz

HOCKEY NEW ZEALAND
NAPIER CITY COUNCIL

TARADALE CRICKET CLUB

gogirl cricket

Taradale Cricket Club with help from Sport HB & Kiwisport has received funding to run a girls cricket program at five local Taradale schools. We have 23 girls signed up at Taradale Primary, which is very exciting.

This club will take place at Reignier on a Monday morning before school from 8am to 8.45am

The program will include

- 3 skills sessions in term four starting on the 26th November
- 5 Skill sessions in term one starting on the 11th February
- There will be some internal matches played after the skills program.
- We will then look to have a cricket festival involving all the schools in Term 1. Date to be confirmed

How to sign up

If you would like to sign up then please could you let Ms. Riceman know that you would like to come along.

We have funding to cover 2 coaches to come in and deliver the program. But should demand become high & we need to use additional coaches then there will be a small charge passed on to parents. We anticipate this being no more than \$10 per student.

Cricket starter pack

We are also offering a cricket starter pack that includes a bat, ball, cap and bag. This costs \$50. If you would like to order one could you please let Ms. Riceman know.

Contact

Should you have any further questions please can you kindly contact our head coach.

Sean Davies
Email: admin@tenniseastern.com
Phone: 027 3876823

KiwiSport **SPORT HAWKE'S BAY**



To **ALL the Gala Helpers** (parents, students, friends and organisations) that contributed to this year's gala we just wanted to say a huge...

THANK YOU!

There were so many people/families who gave up their time and we sincerely appreciate every one of you. Without all your help, our Gala wouldn't happen so that "Thank You" really is huge!

How much did we raise?

Final expenses are still to be done but the 2018 Reignier School Gala raised over **\$27,000** (including sponsor contributions)! This kind of success would not have been possible without the support of all the helpers and sponsors involved this year.

Support our Sponsors!

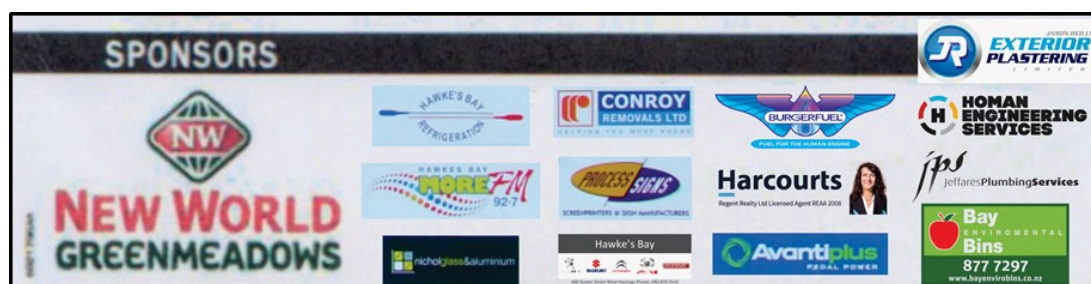
Please continue to support our wonderful sponsors as they have supported Reignier Catholic School - without them we would have to sell a lot more cake! When you shop at any of the businesses, remember to acknowledge them for supporting our school gala, they will appreciate it, as well as your business!

2019 Reignier School Gala - Can you help?

As students and parents move on to support their children in their new schools, our gala needs more helpers. If you would like to support this fantastic event next year, i.e., Business Sponsorship, Gala Committee, running a stall or just simply helping out on the day, please let us know.

Your 2018 Gala Committee

Special thanks to: Duane Coffin, Karyn Gouder, Michelle Gleeson, Maggie Smith, Michelle Reilly, Amanda Rich, Kristi Lambert, Rebecca Dine and Anton Heyns and for all their hard work in bringing this year's gala together!



PTA REPORT 2018

On behalf of the Reignier School PTA, I am pleased to report on our achievements this year.

We have raised \$33,424 this year which consisted of \$27,000 from the gala. Our other fundraising events included the Walkathon, as well as sausage sizzles, pizza days and a highly successful disco.

A major project was the funding of 30 new Chrome Books for the ICT suite to the value of \$9,000.

We also refurbished the school swim sheds with new matting and a coat of paint as well as servicing the school pump so our kids and families can continue to use the pool well into the future.

This year we also contributed \$1,000 towards the middle school camp at Omatua and \$7,500 towards the senior school camp to Wellington. We have also continued our annual support for ICT, library, pastoral care, as well as the fun stuff like feast days and Christmas activities for our children.

I would especially like to acknowledge Anton Heyns our new principal for his leadership, guidance, vision and support as well as his staff for their continued dedication.

I would also like to thank Patrick Jones and the Board of Trustees for their direction and guidance this year. Thank you to the PTA executive for their support and for the wider PTA committee who make it what it is.

Looking forward to 2019, we will be looking to assist with funding new carpet for Rooms 2 and 5 as well as several other minor projects.

Finally I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and safe New Year and best wishes to all those families leaving Reignier School.

Duane Coffin
Chairperson



MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!