

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Tena Koutou, welcome back. I hope you all had an enjoyable holiday and managed to have some quality family time, even though the weather was far from ideal! The staff and I felt really blessed that the sunny weather came out yesterday, so all our children could and did enjoy meeting up with their friends and playing happily together during break times.

Last term finished with a Special Mass at which the School/Parish farewelled Sister Moyra and the Mission Sisters. As most of you know, St Anthony's Catholic School was founded with the Sister of Our Lady of The Missions at the helm and ever since, they have given selflessly and tirelessly to our community and school. It was lovely to have a good number of children and parents attending this special occasion which was followed by a delicious shared supper. A gift of beautiful Rosary Beads all the way from Italy was presented to Sister Moyra from the school. Special thanks to Julie for donating the Rosary Beads, which I know were greatly appreciated.

During these holidays Room 4 had new carpet and new lino fitted so now our Senior Room looks wonderful and I know the Room 4 students are very impressed with their 'new look' room. Room 3 has had a new whiteboard hung and shelving put in place, so the learning environment in that room has also been improved. A Special Thanks must be given to Mr Ivory, Jade and Tania's Grandad, for giving up a whole day of his holidays to carry out lots of jobs both inside and outside the classrooms. I would also like to Thank Kevin's Dad, Mr O'Hara, for giving up some of his time to assist with jobs around our school.

St Anthony's Catholic School is small but it has the 'Best Community Support' any school could have.

God bless,
Hazel Rayner

St. Anthony's Youth Group

Our Parish/School Youth Group also had a wonderful evening on the 5th of July. After Mass the children served the Parish by helping clean up after the Sisters of the Mission Farewell Dinner. The group then had a game of Junior Pictionary, which was hilarious and very LOUD. This was followed by a short reflection time led by Manda and based on a story which Mother Teresa wrote. The next get-together for the Youth Group will be Saturday 2nd August, beginning with Mass at 5.30p.m. and finishing at 9.00p.m.

Education Review Visit

Along with James Powell and Sharon Beddis, I met with Paul Moulder who will be the Head ERO Reviewer, to discuss the priorities for our school's review. Together we worked out a timetable which will allow everything to be carried out, both professionally and successfully.

Timetable for ERO Visit:

- Monday 28th July**
- 8.30a.m. - 10.30a.m. - Meeting with Board Members in Staffroom.
 - Working in Library viewing School Documents.
 - Meeting with Staff at 3.30p.m. in Staffroom.
- Tuesday 29th July**
- 8.30a.m. - Viewing School Documents in Library.
 - 12.30p.m.-1.30p.m. - Meeting with Hazel re: Student Achievement.
 - 2.00p.m. - Meeting with Parents in Staffroom.
- Wednesday 30th July**
- Writing Report.
 - 3.30p.m. - Meeting with Board re: Feedback on Review.

St. Anthony's Vatican Experience

Well the Italy group have now booked and paid for the deposit on their tickets, and are rearing to go! The group have been working extremely hard to raise the money needed, but are still a little short of their target. They currently have a raffle on the go, with a fun family weekend away in Rotorua up for grabs. Limited tickets are available at a cost of \$5.00 each. If you would like to help support this raffle, tickets are available from Julie at the

Office. Or better still—grab a book to sell!!! This trip has the potential of being a life-changing experience for the children involved and can have nothing but positive benefits for our school through publicity, etc. So please give these children your full support as they have certainly worked hard to get this far. I would like to thank members of the Parish for their show of generosity and support by purchasing tickets last weekend.

New Bus Routes

Owing to the change in bus routes, I would just like to remind parents that the pick-up time for our bus children will now be later, at approximately 3.25p.m. Any children who live within the borough will be required to take the 'town' bus, at a cost of \$1.00 per child for each trip. Out of town children who will be catching the 'Pukemiro' or 'Naika' bus will not be required to pay. We would appreciate it if you could let us know if your child will be travelling on any of the buses so we can update our bus lists.

DIARY

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| July | 21 | First Day of Term 3. Maori Language Week. |
| July | 22 | B.O.T. Meeting, 7p.m. |
| July | 28 | E.R.O. Visit. |
| August | 2 | St. Anthony's Youth Group Meeting |
| August | 5 | Parent Interviews. |
| August | 7 | Junior Mass, 9.00a.m. |
| August | 15 | Feast of the Assumption Mass, 9.30a.m. at Church. |
| August | 26 | B.O.T. Meeting, 7p.m. |
| August | 28 | Senior Mass, 9.00a.m. |
| August | 29 | School Cross Country. |
| September | 3 | North Waikato Cross Country. |
| September | 6 | School Mass, 5.20p.m. at Church. |

TIP EIGHT:

10 Tips for Feeding Kids Right!



Prevent Mealtime Mayhem

- Eat together as a family as often as possible
- Plan meals around sports practices, work etc
- Turn the TV off during meals
- Involve children in meal selection
- Serve from central platters

Maori Language Week

Every year since 1975, New Zealand has celebrated Maori Language Week. This is a time for all New Zealanders to celebrate te reo Maori (the Maori language) and to use more Maori phrases in everyday life. This week is Maori Language Week and the theme is 'te reo i te kainga' — Maori language in the home. This morning I had the joy of several children greeting me in Maori. We will be placing extra focus on this topic this week in the classrooms and it would be wonderful if you could consolidate our efforts by using more Maori language in your homes as well.

Term 2 House Winners

Congratulations to the members of Gains who were the Term 2 House winners. Gains beat their nearest contender—Pompallier, by over 20,000 points! Well done. As their prize they have chosen to have a shared lunch, which will be taking place this Friday.

Altar Serving Roster

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| Saturday July | 26 | Renee Peden & Jasmine Strawbridge |
| Saturday August | 2 | Sam Powell & Paige Beverland |
| Saturday August | 9 | Samuel Saki & Blake Powell |
| Saturday August | 16 | Emily Duffy & Chehalis Ralph |

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| DATE | VENUE | CLINIC HOURS |
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| 22 nd July | Huntly Main Street | 9.00 am-1.00pm. |
| 23 rd July | Cambridge East Primary School | 9.00am- 1.00pm. |
| 24 th July | Kihikihī Primary School | 9.00 am-1.00pm |
| 29 th July | Meremere Primary School | 9.00 am-1.00pm |
| 30 th July | Waipa Primary School | 9.00 am-1.00pm. |
| 31 st July | Bernard Fergusson | 9.00 am-1.00pm. |
| 5 th August | Pekerau Primary School | 9.00 am-1.00pm. |
| 6 th & 7 th August | Huntly Primary School | 9.00 am-1.00pm. |
| 12 th August | Raglan Area School | 9.00 am-1.00pm |
| 13 th August | Raglan Area School | 9.00 am-1.00pm. |
| 19 th August | Leamington Primary School | 9.00 am -1.00pm |
| 20 th August | Te Awamutu Primary School | 9.00 am -1.00pm |
| 21 st August | Huntly Main Street | 9.00 am -1.00pm |

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He Karakia Mō ō Tātou Kāinga (Prayer For Our Homes And Families)

E te Matua Kaha rawa
Te kaihōmai o te aroha me te rangimarie
Kia noho mai ki ō mātou kāinga
Manaakitia mātou me ō mātou whānau
A, arahina hoki mātou I ngā rā katoa e ora ai mātou
Ko Ihu Karaiti hoki tō mātou Ariki.
AMEN.

Almighty Father
Giver of love and peace
Be with us in our homes, bless us and our families,
And grant us Your guidance
All the days of our lives
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
AMEN.

- Richard Kerr-Bell



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St. Anthony's Catholic School wishes to acknowledge and thank Solid Energy for their generous support.

I have received and read my newsletter.
Poynton Pompallier Gains Barbier (child to circle name of house)

Name of Child/Children.....

Parents/Caregivers Signature.....