

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Tena Koutou. A big thank you to everyone who attended our 'End-of-Term' Mass to help celebrate 'Christ The King' last Saturday. It was truly a special occasion as there was a large number of our school families and parishioners present. I received much praise on both the musical talent on display and the reverence which the children showed during Mass. We blessed to have both Willemien Wennekers and Eugene Volkwyn on the keyboard and piano, as well as leading our choir and parish in songs of praise.

Next Thursday we hope to emulate this occasion with another special Mass for both parishioners and parent community, here at St. Anthony's. Mass will be held at 9.15a.m. in our outdoor covered area to accommodate the large number of people which we hope will be able to share in this special occasion. At the conclusion of the Mass there will be a short performance by the choir, followed by a thank you morning tea which will be served by the 'Young Vinnies' who are our senior students in Room 4.

Due to the postponement of Athletics last Wednesday, a number of our children will now be taking part in the Interschool Athletics day tomorrow. This will be held at the same venue—Whare Oranga by the Huntly West Gym. Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to assist with transport and supervision on the day.

The 'Young Vinnies' and our Choir will be singing at the Kimihia Resthome on Friday 4th December as part of our Christmas Community Celebrations. Another Huntly community activity that a large number of our children will be involved in, is the St. Anthony's Catholic School Float which will compete in the local Christmas Parade. We have a hard working team in the background, led by Jean Beverland, who are taking care of all the preparation needed. If there are any parents out there who would like to assist in some way, I'm sure the team would appreciate your help.

Please remember that we have a raffle for a Christmas Hamper, Cross-Stitch and an MP3 Player going on sale next week. Therefore we would appreciate donations of Christmas items to enhance the hamper and make this a successful raffle. The funds raised from this raffle will go towards Education Outside the Classroom in 2010. Many thanks to those who have already contributed, house points are awarded daily for each contribution.

God bless,

Hazel Rayner

Assembly Awards

13th November (Virtue—Kindness)

Room 1: Aisha Turton—for always being a kind and considerate person in the classroom (V).

Manuera Nusipepa—for a fantastic result in Maths, Basic Facts, Addition.

Room 2: Zane Neill—for a positive attitude to all he does at school.

Victoria Whyte—for working hard with Reading.

Joshua Kirkham—for being a kind and considerate classmate (V).

Room 3: Kristoffer Saki—for showing kindness towards others (V).

Charlee Cox—for excellent work in her Maths.

Room 4: Annie Yang—for making good progress in Reading and Writing.

Emily Dufty—for showing kindness to fellow classmates (V).

20th November (Virtue—Patience)

Room 1: Nyah Kaponga—for showing kindness towards others (V).

Brittyn Nath—for presenting lovely, neat Hand-Writing.

Room 2: Daniel Wilshaw—for showing kindness and consideration to others (V).

Ben Mosa'ati-Fosita—for making good progress in his Reading.

Room 3: Paige Beverland—for showing kindness through everything she does (V).

Vanessa Limosnero—for huge improvement in her Spelling.

Room 4: Hayden P.—for always showing kindness and being helpful (V).

Maake Tukuafu—for making good progress in Basic Facts.

Advent

This weekend marks the beginning of our special Christmas celebrations with the first Sunday of Advent. As this is a special time of preparation, it would be awesome to see our school families, come and join parishioners at the Saturday evening Mass which begins at 5.30p.m.

On Thursday 3rd December, Reconciliation will be available at 7.15p.m. at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. This is an opportunity for everyone to prepare for the coming of the birth of Our Lord. If you are unavailable to attend on this evening, Reconciliation will be taking place throughout the Diocese—check the Parish newsletter for a more suitable date.

DIARY

November 24	B.O.T. Meeting, 7p.m.
December 3	Senior Mass & Parishioner/Parent Morning Tea, 9a.m. Reconciliation at Church, 7.15p.m.
December 14	School Leaver's Dinner.
December 15	Prizegiving, 6.30p.m. Huntly Workingmen's Club.
December 16	Reports sent home, Last day of Term 4. Classroom Parties.

Mathletics

The children have just completed their end of year assessments in Maths—Basic Facts and I am thrilled to say there has been an enormous surge in the achievement levels in a large percentage of our children. The one common factor that is evident in those children who have vastly improved, is the participation in the Mathletics programme. We required 90% of our students to pay for this programme to be able to utilize it fully within our school and fortunately for our students, we had a very generous benefactor—DOCTOR JOHN GATES—who kindly donated \$100 to assist those who were wishing to take part. Next year we are looking at continuing this invaluable programme, as it has proved extremely successful and the children thoroughly enjoy it—Maths is FUN with Mathletics!



We would like to continue this programme from Term 1 in 2010, however the cost would be \$30 per child for the entire year. This is a discounted price for schools, as the usual cost is \$100 per person for a 12 month contract. To ensure that we obtain 90% support (preferably 100%), we have made gift vouchers available for purchase from our School Office with the suggestion that these would make ideal educational Christmas gifts from Grandparents, Uncles, Aunties, etc.

Super Snacks: Banana Smoothie

Ingredients: 150 gram pot of fruit yoghurt
1 small banana, peeled
1 cup low fat milk

Method:

Puree all the ingredients in a blender until smooth.

Also, try adding different fruit - canned peaches or mango, frozen berries, kiwifruit - for different flavoured smoothies.



If you have any great ideas for after school snacks, send them to Milly Connell, Project Energize, PO Box 46, Hamilton and yours could be the next nugget!



**KIMIHA SCHOOL
MARKET/ GALA DAY
28th NOV 2009
AT KIMIHA SCHOOL
TAMIHANA
AVENUE, HUNTLY
9AM-1PM**

**CAKE STALL
HOT FOOD/COFFEE/SOFT DRINKS
WHITE ELEPHANT STALL
FACE PAINTING
PLANTS
JEEP FUN RIDES
QUICK RAFFLES
FIRE ENGINE RIDES
HEAPS MORE
FUN DAY FOR ALL**



INTERESTED IN PUTTING A STALL IN \$15 IN HALL FOR OUTSIDE PLEASE CONTACT JANICE 8284683 KAREN 8280133

Altar Serving Roster

Saturday November 28	Samuel Saki & Vanessa Limosnero
Saturday December 5	Jayden & Isaac Vandy
Saturday December 12	Sam Powell & Kevin O'Hara
Saturday December 19	Emily & Alex Dufty

PARISH INFORMATION

HOLY MASS TIMES AND PARALITURGY'S FOR THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY	Cant. Dan. 3: 4-6 p. 173-4 Paraliturgy, Te Kauwhata 8.30am Rosary Recited, Huntly 8.45am Paraliturgy, Huntly 9.00am Mass, Ngaruawahia 9.30am
THURSDAY	Cant. Dan. 3:7 3:2 p. 174 Mass, Huntly, 9.00am Exposition from 5.00pm to 6.00pm Parish Council Meeting, 7:00p.m.
FRIDAY	Cant. Dan. 3:2-5 p. 174-5 Mass, Huntly 9.00am Exposition from 9.30am to 10.30am
SATURDAY	Ps. 25 p. 84 Vigil, Huntly 5.30pm Reconciliation 4.45pm to 5.15pm
SUNDAY	Ps. 25 p. 84 Mass, Ngaruawahia 10.30am

Loving God,

Living Presence in all that is!

We give You thanks for the gift of our senses

That enable us to experience You
And all that You give us each day.

Help us know You more deeply each day

To glimpse Your presence in the circumstances of our lives

To hear the music of the love with which

You surround us,

To touch the rich textures of Your faithfulness,

To taste the goodness of Your generosity,

And to know the fragrance of justice

That pervades Your Kingdom.

We praise You and bless You and thank

You,

Through Jesus Christ our Saviour and

friend.

Amen.



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

I have received and read my newsletter.

Poynton

Pompallier

Gaines

Barbier (child to circle name of house)

Name of Child/Children.....

Parents/Caregivers Signature.....