

ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL
23rd February 2010—Term 1 Week 4

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Tena Koutou. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome the Catholic Review team - Mrs. Denise Plummer (Principal of St. Joseph's in Morrinsville) and Mr. Greg Day (Catholic Character Review Co-ordinator), who will be with us over the next three days. They will be assisting us and our community to celebrate what makes St. Anthony's Catholic School special. There will be an opportunity for parents to speak to the team on Wednesday afternoon from 2:30—3:30p.m. in the Hall. Please come along and share your thoughts and ideas with them. Thank you to all those parents who took the time to complete and return the survey forms to school.

Last week we celebrated Ash Wednesday by travelling through to Ngaruawahia and attending Mass at St. Paul's Catholic Church. It was a special celebration with the school children responding and singing beautifully. Unfortunately we were unaware that St. Paul's were also having a blessing of their new Administration area, otherwise we would have stayed for that celebration as well. Father has since informed me however, that it was a very joyful occasion, so both of our schools have been very blessed to have upgrades.

As you are all aware, there has been a large amount of testing done over the last few weeks, which is all about gathering important data to ensure we know where every child is at academically. After analysing the data, we will then be able to plan and develop programmes that enhance the learning of every student. An important part of any child's learning is having a supportive team approach with an integral member being you, the parent/caregiver. So I am sure we will have 100% attendance at our Goal Setting Afternoon/Evening on the 10th of March.

God bless,

Hazel Rayner

Assembly Awards

12th February (Virtue—Respect)

Room 1: Aisha Turton—for showing respect to children in class and helping others (V).
Mia Bredenbeck—for using independent skills when writing stories.

Room 2: Alex Dufty—for showing dedication to his work.
Stella Bredenbeck—for showing respect to her teacher, classmates and her work (V).

Room 3: Jaynie Yang—for an outstanding effort in her reading activities.
Jesca Sotelo—for showing respect for her learning (V).
Nathan Baars—for showing respect to others (V).

Room 4: Tiaan Nepe—for good work and for good reading comprehension.
Chehalis Ralph—for showing respect to others (V).

19th February (Virtue—Kindness)

Room 1: Pearl McKenzie—for making a fantastic start and learning her spelling words!
Samantha Rowney—for showing kindness by helping new children to learn the classroom routines (V).

Room 2: Rema-Rose Saki—for showing kindness to others (V).
Sara-Louise Turton—for participating actively in class discussion.
Kevin O'Hara—for being outstanding in his math test.

Room 3: Charlee Cox—for showing kindness to others (V).
Isaac Vandy—for an awesome effort with his homework.
Samantha Proud—for showing great interest in all her learning.
Christian Fabe—for showing kindness to others (V).

Room 4: Jayden Vandy—for completing work to a high standard.
Vanessa Limosnero—for showing kindness to fellow classmates (V).

B-B-Q/Piano For Sale

As we have purchased a new B-B-Q we are offering our old one (with gas bottle) for sale. If you are interested please contact Pat Steiner to view or to make an offer. There is a reserve of \$60 for the B-B-Q, but the piano has no reserve and is available to view at school—so make an offer! Remember all of the money that is raised will go back into much needed resources for our school.

Blooming Bulbs Fundraiser

Unfortunately, as yet we have not received one order back for our Bulbs fundraiser. I know it is a difficult time of the year financially for a lot of families, however fundraising events are important for the school as the money raised helps keep the cost down for parents in areas such as extra-curricular activities. We require a minimum order of \$200 so if you are unable to make

an order yourselves, please ask friends and relations if they would like to support our school by making an order.

DIARY		
February	23	BOT Meeting, 7pm
February	22-25	Religious Education Review
February	25	SENIOR MASS, 9am
Feb. 22—	Mar. 5	Year 7 & 8 Camp
March	4	SENIOR MASS AT CAMP
March	10	PARENT GOAL SETTING INTERVIEWS
March	12	St. Anthony's Swimming Sports
March	17	Interschool Swimming Sports
March	18	ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION
		JUNIOR MASS, 9am
March	23	BOT Meeting, 7pm
March	27	SCHOOL/PARISH MASS (Palm Sunday), 5.30pm
April	1	HOLY THURSDAY
		SENIOR MASS, 9am

Junior Safety

In order to keep our little ones safe, please note that ALL Room 1 children need to be collected from their classroom after school, either by an older sibling or an adult. No Room 1 child must leave the area unaccompanied. Also, only Senior children (Rooms 3 and 4) are allowed to ride bicycles to school. Junior syndicate children (Rooms 1 and 2) are only allowed to ride a bike to school if they are accompanied by an adult. All cyclists are required to dismount from their bikes at the front gate of the school and walk their bikes up the walkway to the bicycle stand.

Baptisms

A number of parents have expressed their desire to have their children Baptised, therefore Father Keane has offered the opportunity to learn about the Sacrament of Baptism, with a view of having children Baptised in the near future. We would like to offer this opportunity to everyone and ask Parents to indicate their interest by leaving their names at the Office.

Mid-Week After-School Netball

If parents are interested in their children participating in mid-week after school netball, this will be available at the start of Term 2 at Whare Oranga Courts, Harris Street, Huntly. Games will be organized and run by staff from Whare Oranga and if there is a group from St. Anthony's interested, all you need to do is turn up and supply one umpire. No cost involved! This

will be for primary school children only at this stage—Midgets 5-6 yrs, Juniors 7-9 yrs, Seniors 11-13 yrs and will be held on a Wednesday from 4pm-5.30pm approximately. This is in the planning stages and will be a pilot to gauge interest, so all that is required at the moment is an indication of interest. If there is a group of parents who would like to register their interest, a form is available from our School Office.



Plunket Waikato Superhero Road Show



Thanks to SKIP funding Plunket Waikato are collaborating with New Zealand's children's super group, The Funky Monkeys, to present free shows across the Waikato. Our show will be held on Saturday 13th March 9.30am at Huntly Thistle Soccer Club, Lake Hakanoa Domain.

The Funky Monkeys will perform a free show specially written for Plunket with new songs and skits. For families of preschool children there will be a CD giveaway, while stocks last. Other activities and stalls include: Bouncy Castle, Face painting, sausage sizzle, Car Seat Rental Scheme, PEPE and more.

Dress up as your favourite superhero and come and join the fun.

A fun day out for the whole whanau – See you there.

Keep cool with water!

Wonderful Water Facts!

- The human body is about 75% water
- Your brain is approximately 85% water and your bones are around 33% water.
- When water warms up it turns into a gas called water vapour
- The water that we drink has circled around the world for years and years! So long in fact that the water we drink now was around when the dinosaurs were on earth!
- Humans drink an average of 75,000 litres of water throughout their life.
- Water regulates the temperature of the human body and helps to filter waste from the body.



St Patrick's College Wellington - 125th Jubilee 2010

The College will be celebrating this significant Jubilee Queen's Birthday weekend 4-6th June 2010 and all Old Boys and families are warmly invited. Please visit the Jubilee website for Registrations and information www.stpats125.org.nz or contact the Development Manager at P O Box 14022, Wellington 6022, development@stpats.school.nz, ph 04 939 5416.

THEME: "MY REDEEMER LIVES"
DATE: Thursday 4th March
TIME: 7:30—9:00p.m.
VENUE: St. Joseph's Parish Centre, Clarkin Road, Fairfield, Hamilton.
SPEAKER: Ruth Clarke from Tauranga

ENQUIRIES OR TRANSPORT: Wilma Ph (07) 829 8616

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(Catholic Women's Fellowship)
www.dove.org.nz

PARISH INFORMATION

HOLY MASS TIMES AND PARALITURGY'S FOR THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY	Ps. 51 p. 60 Paraliturgy, Te Kauwhata 8.30am Rosary Recited, Huntly 8.45am Paraliturgy, Huntly 9.00am Mass, Ngaruawahia 10.00am <i>PARISH LUNCHEON</i> <i>PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, 7PM</i> <i>St. Scholastica, V.</i>
THURSDAY	Ps. 138 p. 147 Mass at St. Anthony's School, 9.00am Exposition from 5.00pm to 6.00pm
FRIDAY	Ps. 130 p. 140 Mass, Huntly 9.00am Exposition from 9.30am to 10.30am
SATURDAY	Ps. 27 p. 36 Vigil, Huntly 5.30pm Reconciliation 4.45pm to 5.15pm
SUNDAY	Ps. 27 p. 36 Mass, Ngaruawahia 10.30am

Altar Serving Roster

Saturday February 27	Kristoffer Saki & Blake Powell
Saturday March 6	Jayden Vandy & Angelo Felisarta
Saturday March 13	Chehalis Ralph & Isaac Vandy
Saturday March 20	Renee Peden & Joshua Kirkham
Saturday March 27	Sam Proud & Christian Fabe
Saturday April 3	Sam Powell & Jesca Sotelo
Saturday April 10	Jasmine Strawbridge & Arabelle Felisarta

**Gracious God,
You call us Your daughters
and sons.**

**As Your own people, we are called
to live lives worthy of Your Name.**

**Throughout this Lenten season,
May we put aside all that keeps us
From responding freely to Your love.**

**May our deeds and words
Give glory to You and draw others
To Your family of faith.**

**Now is the acceptable time, O God.
Give us the courage to act justly,
Love tenderly and
walk humbly with You.**

This we ask in the name of Jesus.
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.....