ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL
27th August 2007—Term 3 Week 7

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Last Saturday night we celebrated our Term School Mass with a pleasing turn out of school families. Together we prayed, sang and celebrated the MASS with Great FAITH and SPIRIT. Mass was followed by a combined Parish/School dinner which was also very successful-not only was the food delicious but it was a very social event. The only sad aspect of our School Mass was the absence of Father Pat, who is still recovering from his accident. When I visited Father at Assisi on Saturday afternoon, he said he too was sad about missing our School Mass, but assured me that he would be thinking of us and planned to be back in Huntly Tuesday week. Great news! So thank you everyone for all of your prayers for Father Pat's speedy recovery.

I have included in this newsletter a copy of the letter from the Board of Trustees Chairperson, Mr James Powell, informing everyone of Mrs. Jackson's resignation. At the request of the Board of Trustees, I have agreed to remain as Acting Principal until the end of the year. I am very pleased to say that all teaching positions will also remain the same for the remainder of the year, allowing for stability and continuity for the learning of our children.

God bless you all,

Hazel Rayner

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24th August 2007

Special Notice to Parents & Caregivers

With great sadness we will be saying farewell to Mrs. Jackson.

At last Tuesday's Board Meeting we received Mrs. Jackson's official resignation as Principal of St. Anthony's Catholic School. Mrs. Jackson will be leaving us to spend more time with Samuel and her family.

Mrs. Jackson will be coming in at the end of this term to say goodbye to everyone, we will notify you when the date and time is confirmed.

Yours sincerely,

James Powell
(Chairperson).

Assembly Awards

17 August

Room 1: Rema-Rose Saki—for always helping and trying her best at school.
Katy Yang—for shining with her Writing.

Room 2: Blake Powell—for having an excellent attitude towards his class mates and school work.
Natasha—for getting 100% in her Level 4 Spelling test.

Room 3: Courtney Arthur——for being an awesome speller in Room 3.
Quaid Bould—for an awesome attitude toward his work for the week.

Room 4: Shaddai Manatsa—for his achievements in Religious Education.
Celeste Sturch—for all round positive attitude and behaviour in class.

24 August

Room 1: Kevin O'Hara & Sara-Louise Turton—for always shining with their school work.

Room 2: Isaac Vandy—for switching on to 'reading between the lines'.
Jaynie Yang—for excellent use of koru patterns in her Maui Art Work.

Room 3: Kyle McLuckie—for his awesome participation in Readers Theatre and the great work he has been doing in Reading and Maths.
Chehalis Ralph—for the awesome way she has been applying herself to her home and school work.

Room 4: Harriet Beex—for an excellent attitude towards all aspects of school. What a positive role model she is!
Luke Foster—for trying really hard to stay focused and on task.

Parent Interviews

Parent Interviews will take place this Wednesday, so by now you should have received an interview time from your child. If you have not, please phone Julie for your appointment time. Julie will also try to help you if you need to change your time, as she has the complex job of co-ordinating the entire school. Please remember that the interview timeframes are very tight, especially for Room 2, so please ensure you are there at the correct time as this will enable everyone to get the best from the interview process. Many thanks.

Cross-Country

The children are really enjoying their Cross-Country training around the streets of our school, sp I'm sure you'll be impressed at the strength and stamina the children have developed. A big thank you to our teacher aides who act as marshals to ensure the safety of our children while training. The School Cross-Country will take place next Friday afternoon—weather permitting

DIARY

August	29	Parent/Teacher/Child Interviews
August	30	Junior Mass *(postponed)*
September	4	Senior Parish Mass*(postponed)*
September	6	Reconciliation First Communion/Confirmation, 7.00pm at Church
September	7	School Cross-Country
September	10	School Photos

Raffle Books

Could all families please return their raffle books tomorrow, if you have not already done so. The raffle for the Rustic Furniture will be drawn at the end of the week.

Working for Families

Working for Families is a package designed to help make it easier for you to work and raise a family. More families pualify for extra money through Working for Families. To find out more or to see if you're eligible for more money through Working for Families, go to:

www.workingforfamilies.govt.nz

Nit-Enz

Nit-Enz now has a large new 225ml bottle of Certified Organic head lice shampoo available for only $15.00. This should last the average family at least a school term if used as suggested. Their certified organic shampoo and repellent styling hair gel are designed to work in conjunction with one another to control infestation via contact with others. Ongoing use of both products is recommended for best results. Nit-Enz supports our school by donating $1.00 for each pack sold through the school. Nit-Enz products are also available from The Salon Shop, 2 Main Street, Te Kauwhata. (No school donation is applicable for purchasers made from The Salon Shop). Please return your order to the Office within 7 working days of today's newsletter. Please contact Melanie Innes with any further queries on (09) 232 6656 or email melanie@nit-enz.com or check the website www.net-enz.com

House Points

Pompallier	9,550	Poynton	11,350
Barbier	10,250	Gaines	11,300

Winter Warmers

Snacks – Baked Bean Boats

A kiwi favourite that the kids will enjoy helping to prepare.

1. Slice one french loaf into 6-8 even pieces. Hollow out like a boat leaving a border around the edge and bake at 180°C for 5 mins.
2. Mix together baked beans, chopped spring onions and tomatoes and fill the boats. Sprinkle with grated cheese and bake 180°C for 10-12 minutes.

From the DRS

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Thank you to all those who attended the School Mass, it was wonderful to share our faith and be a part of the Mission of Christ together. Children your singing was awesome!

Last week all the classes began a new strand in the R.E Curriculum on Sacrament. Room One focus is 'Holiness' - we are reminded of the holiness or tapu of God through places, times, objects and rituals

Room Two focus is 'Welcome' - reminded of the sacrament of Baptism, and discovering that it is a time when we encounter Christ in a special way. Room Three focus is 'Food for Life' - Times for reflection are invitations to experience and understand the signs of God's presence in the world.

Room Four focus is 'Confirmed in the Spirit' - Catholics refer to signs or symbols of Christ's presence as sacraments

As you are aware on the 15 August we attended Mass at St Paul's in Ngaruawahia. This was a wonderful occasion and it was awesome to be singing and praising God with Michael Mangan, who fired the children up with his singing.

Over the next couple of weeks we as a staff and school community will be preparing for our Catholic Character Review, from the Diocesan Office. We look forward to sharing with them our faith at St Anthony's and showing what we do to celebrate being 100% Catholic.

May God bless you and your families

Karen O'Reilly
DRS

Cathedral Redevelopment Project

Our Cathedral Our Future

Saturday 10 November 2007
9am – 4pm
MARIAN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Monster Garage Sale

Gather together your unwanted items (workable & useable)

TRASH & TREASURE,
BRIC-A- BRAC etc.
Unwanted KITCHENWARE,
CLOTHING, BOOKS, FURNISHINGS,
ORNAMENTS,TOYS

Anything around the house, garage, garden etc
(items must be operative and of a saleable nature)

For further information phone Ian on 07 855 5819 / 021 760 902

Altar Serving Roster

Saturday	2 September	Emily Dufty & Kylee Levin
Saturday	9 September	Sam Powell & Celeste Sturch

DEVELOPING CHRISTIAN ATTITUDES

A Christian Attitude is an expression in word or action of the way Jesus lived - here are some ways that we can build our Christian Attitude

- speaking with gentleness
- care
- love
- tolerance
- compassion
- integrity
- self-control
- acting with kindness
- patience
- joy
- strength
- courage
- Generosity
- perseverance

Children are greatly influenced by the attitude of people to them, especially the attitudes of their family-whanau members. These can have a lasting effect on a child's personal and faith development, self-esteem and wellbeing.

Let us pray that we as parents and teachers of St Anthony's Catholic School can help form our children's attitudes by teaching these values and that they can become living witnesses.

I have received and read my newsletter.

Poynton **Pompallier** **Gaines** **Barbier** (child to circle name of house)

Name of Child/Children.....

Parents/Caregivers Signature.....