

St Pius X School

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To learn Love
To Learn Wisdom
The Way We Are



Tena koutou katoa. Nga mihi nui kia koutou.

Next week is the last week of this term. It's hard to believe just how quickly the term has gone, mind you I think I say this that at the end of each term. One of the many highlights for this term has been the art intensive. It's a delight to look around the playground seeing children knitting or doing tapestry or playing their guitars. A huge thank you to those who came along to help with these workshops particularly the members of our parish. Your skill and lovely manner with the children is greatly appreciated. The fruit of these workshops will be shared tomorrow Friday in the classrooms at 2:15 you are very welcome come and see the children's work.

The value for the week is self-discipline. Discipline means control, therefore self-discipline means self-control. One of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. It means getting yourself to do what is important rather than procrastinating. It's about having control of your feelings and emotions. With self-discipline you take charge of yourself and don't lose control when you feel hurt or angry. It's about deciding how you are going to talk and what you are going to do. The competency that fits neatly into this value is managing self. So when you speak or act calmly when hurt or angry; get things done in an orderly and efficient way; create routines for yourself; do what is expected without people having to remind you and do things on time. You are acting with self-control or self-discipline.

'Liberty is the freedom to discipline yourself so you're not disciplined by others'

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New Curriculum: I have included three principles this week

- Cultural Diversity - The curriculum reflects New Zealand's cultural diversity and values the histories and traditions of all its people.
- Inclusion - The curriculum is non-sexist, non-racist, and non-discriminatory; it ensures that students identities, languages, abilities, and talents are recognised and affirmed and that their learning needs are addressed.
- Learning to Learn - The curriculum encourages all students to reflect on their own learning processes and to learn how to learn.

Jane Rutherford



Christmas Boxes

As you will know, we are participating in Operation Christmas Child. Each class has 4 boxes and children are asked to bring a small item to put in the box such as a small soft toy, sunglasses, craft kit, something for school e.g. pencil case, pencils, rubbers, something to play with e.g. Tennis ball, skipping rope, marbles etc, something to wear, e.g. t-shirt, jandals or something for personal hygiene, e.g. soap, toothbrush, comb, hair clips, scrunchies etc.. Your child will be able to tell you more about this. The boxes need to be sent on by the end of term. If you wish, you may contact your child's teacher for more details.

Dates to Note September
October

Friday, 25th - Term 3 ends at 2.45pm

Monday, 12th - Term 4 begins at 8.45am



MCG are singing this Sunday, 20th September at the 9am mass. Please arrive at 8:40am sharp. Our next Monday practice will be in Term 4 - Monday, 12th October at the earlier time of 3:30pm. **Please note: We will have one practice and a game or two during the holidays! Date to be advised.**

Thank you - A massive big thank you to the parish and the school community for supporting our Hot Dog fundraiser.



Sacramental Programme for 2009/10

Enrolments are being taken now for First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Forms are available from the school office and also from the church foyer. The cost for this programme is \$20.00 per child. This money covers the purchasing of a First Holy Communion/Confirmation medal for your child



as well as providing a celebratory meal for all the children on their special day. Please pay this at the time of enrolment. If this payment is difficult, please see Maree Nobilo, Noreen Hayman or Margaret Dunford at the school. Our First Holy Communion/Confirmation will be celebrated on June 6th 2010. This is the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. Please note that June 6th falls on Queen's Birthday weekend. Dates for our sessions and rehearsals are attached to the enrolment forms. Maree Nobilo will be working with the children and Noreen Hayman will be working with the parents. We are looking forward to working with you and your child. Kind regards, Maree and Noreen

Term 3 Basketball The finals for Basketball will be held next week - times to be advised. Basketball uniforms are to be returned, *washed*, to school, except SPX Dragons; they are to return their washed uniforms early in Term 4.



Hockey: Well done Hobbits and Wizards on a wonderful hockey season. Thank you to all our parents, coaches and umpires for all that commitment! Summer league starts soon for older children and adults who haven't had enough of Hockey!!! See Mr Rodrigues for enquiries.



Netball: Please return your *washed* uniform to Mrs Vanxay as soon as possible. Thank you very much.

Barnardos O.S.C.A.R Holiday Program



Where your child isn't just a number
The Barnardos school holiday program is specifically designed for 5 to 8 year olds. With excellent staff-to-child ratios we can offer a wide range of activities specific to your child's interests. The Barnardos holiday program runs from 7.45am-5.15pm Mon-Fri during both weeks of the holidays. For more info contact Barnardos on: (07) 847 1088

SWIMMING LESSONS

Being able to swim in NZ is a basic fundamental skill
5 DAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY BOOSTER COURSE plus
TERM 4 OCT 5th - 9th, 5 daily lessons **DOLPHINZ SWIM SCHOOL**
INDOORS, HEATED, PRIVATE, 130 Ohaupo Rd,
Phone Lisa 843.3380 Ask about our awesome birthday parties!

Free Creative Cooking Classes

Place: **Te Whare Kokonga** Cnr Bader Street and Pine Ave
Price: **FREE, FREE, FREE**

Time: 6.00pm – 8.00pm Tuesdays Come in and join in the fun of cooking creatively at Te Whare Kokonga. Learn how to cook on a budget and with what you have in your pantry. All enquiries please phone 07 843 8811 or just pop in.

Smart Snacks!

APPLE JAFFLE



Here's a tasty treat that's quick to make. Makes four sandwiches.

Ingredients:

- 1 apple
- 2 tablespoons of sultanas or raisins
- ¼ teaspoon of cinnamon
- 8 slices of fruit bread

Method:

- Grate apple
- Put apple, cinnamon and sultanas in a bowl. Stir
- Place slices of bread in the sandwich maker to form the sandwich bottom
- Top with the apple mixture and cover with another slice of bread
- Toast for 2-3 minutes or until golden brown



St Peter's Tennis Club Junior Open Day

Palmerston Street, Hamilton

Friday, 25th September 2009

3:30pm – 6:00pm

- Come and 'Meet the Coach' and find out about becoming a Junior Club Member
- Tennis Coaching Demonstrations
- Lolly Scramble & Sausage Sizzle
- Great prizes to be won !!
- Equipment Demonstrations
- Fastest Serve Competition

5 years – 17 years
All Levels WELCOME!

Contact Lainie, 853 3017 or
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For more information

