

St Pius X School

25 February 2010 Newsletter #4

To learn Love
To Learn Wisdom
The Way We Are



Tena koutou katoa. Nga mihi nui kia koutou.

Thank you so much for filling in and returning the survey I sent out last week. I have had a good response and will send the summary of these responses to the New Zealand Principals' Federation at the beginning of next week.

Our value for this week is self-discipline. It is about self-control which is a good value to have at the beginning of Lent. It means getting ourselves to do what is important rather than going with a whim or putting things off for another time. Self-discipline is about taking charge of ourselves, our emotions and our actions. This includes not losing control when we are hurt or angry, but making decisions about how we will deal with these situations. Managing self is a key competency in our curriculum and self-discipline is very much a part of managing self.

We will be having a school Mass this Tuesday, 2 March at 9.00am. At this Mass our school leaders will receive their badges. Please join us for this occasion.

Message from the Board of Trustees:

This is an election year for Boards of Trustees and we would like you to think about standing for the Board. Nominations will be called for next month, so if you are thinking about standing please talk to a current Board member. They will be happy to outline the role of a board member. Current Board members are: John Worthington, Chairperson; Mark Hayman; Mike Keehan; Kirsty Mills; Terry Scott; Janine Sturgeon; Kelly Thomas; Antony Easto, Teacher's representative, and Jane Rutherford, Principal.

Over the next few weeks there will be a section in the newsletter that will give a time frame for the election and information about the role of being a board member.

Seasons for Growth

Seasons for Growth is a nondenominational programme which assists people of all ages to understand and manage the changes they experience when a significant loss occurs. This programme is looking for more volunteers and training sessions are being offered. If you are interested, leaflets giving more detail of the programme and contacts details are available from the school office.

Phone 843.6554 or pop in and see Mrs Dunford.

Jane Rutherford

Dates to Note:

March	1-5	Swimming Rooms 4 and 5
	16	Parent Interviews
	18	Solidarity Day



Cost for swimming is \$12.00 per child payable at the office.
There are many overdue swimming payments.
Even if your class has been swimming, payment still needs to be made to the school office as soon as possible.
Thank you to those who have paid already.

Manual Fees for Year 7 & 8 Students Only

Manual is every Friday at Peachgrove Intermediate School for our Year 7 & 8 students. Fees for the year are \$66.00 per student. Payment options are as follows.

Full year	= \$66.00
3 payments of \$22.00 each	= \$66.00
4 Termly payments of \$16.50 each	= \$66.00

Please pay Manual fees at the office as soon as possible. Thank you to those who have paid already.

Coming home with this newsletter

➤ Headlice Information Leaflet. Headlice seem to be in most classrooms at the moment. Please check your children's hair regularly and remind them not to share brushes, combs, hats or towels.



Sacramental Programme for 2010

Our next meeting on Confirmation will take place after mass on February 28th at school. Please keep all our candidates in your prayers.



MCG: (Melville Children's' Group) for children aged 7-12:

Practice will resume next Monday, 1 March at 4.30pm in the Church.

For any enquiries please phone Noreen Hayman on 8438783.

Hockey 2010: Anyone who would like to be involved in playing, coaching, umpiring hockey this year. please phone Noreen 8438783 or email hayman06@xtra.co.nz Your support is desperately needed.

Hockey muster (gathering of prospective players) will happen next Thursday, 4 March, immediately after school on the courts. Please come along if you're interested in playing hockey this year.



Basketball

Payment of \$50 per player can now be paid at the school office.



Kiwi Kick Notice

If you would like to play Kiwi Kick this year, please fill out the registration form available from Mrs Vanxay. It must be returned by tomorrow afternoon. There is a cost of \$50 for 8 sessions, which is explained on the form. Thank you, Mrs Vanxay



Are you interested in playing Netball this year?

If you would like to find out more about netball and you're Year 4 or upwards - or an older family member interested in coaching a team, please fill out the Expression of Interest slip at the end of this newsletter and return it to the school office. Thank you, Mrs Vanxay



Are you interested in school Hip Hop classes?

These would be held once a week for 1 hour from 3.15pm - 4.15pm for a period of 8 weeks, if sufficient interest is shown. The cost is \$10 a class per student or \$80.00 for 8 classes. Please fill out the Expression of Interest slip at the end of this newsletter and return it to the school office.



Keas, Cubs and Scouts

Scouting is for boys and girls. St Mary's Scout Group have vacancies in Keas, Cubs and Scouts. This is a great opportunity for those who enjoy outdoors, camping, helping others and learning to look after the environment.

For more information on St Mary's Scouts please contact Dave Cannell, Group Leader, Phone 07 856 7243.

Yummy Stickers for 2010. Start collecting yummy stickers off apples. Forms are available from Mr Easto.



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Expression of interest in Hip Hop Classes (Please return this to the office)

Child's Name..... (please print) Year..... Room No.....

Contact details.....

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Expression of interest in playing Netball (Boys & Girls from Year 4 onwards) or coaching Netball return slip. (Please return this to the office)

Playing - Name..... (please print) Year.....

Coaching - Name.....(please print) Contact details.....