



Tena koutou katoa. Nga mihi nui kia koutou. Greetings to all our parents and caregivers.



Hard work



Hard work was the value for the week. A huge thank you to our parents who turned up to help with our school working bee. While we only had a handful turn up in the cold weather, they worked hard and what a huge difference their hard work has done to the appearance of our school grounds. Thank you also to Mr Easto for organising the day.

The night of our school production is almost upon us and all the hard work that has been put in by our children, our teachers and support staff and parent helpers is about to pay off with two spectacular nights of music, singing and dance. We have a lot of talent among our children so be prepared to be wowed.

Life doesn't require that we be the best, only that we try our best.
- H. Jackson Brown

A big thank you to Whaea Paula and our parents that transported and stayed to support our two senior basketball teams at the Te Awamutu Catholic Basketball Tournament last week. The children played hard and represented our school very well.

Important notice regarding the school roll: If you have younger children that you intend to send to St Pius and they haven't been enrolled, please do so through the school office. Especially if they are due to start anytime between 2009 – 2014. The school roll leading into next year is at full capacity and to avoid disappointment, we advise that parents get in early. Like most of the Catholic Schools in Hamilton, we are using a one out, one in procedure and have a list of students waiting for places at present.

Parents are invited to attend our Duffy Leadership assembly which is happening on Friday 15th of August at 2.15pm. The venue will be dependent on the weather. We have guest speakers from Sacred Heart and St John's Colleges coming to speak.

Tickets for "The Little Mermaid" are available from the school office. **There will be no door sales** on the nights. The show runs for two nights only on Wednesday 20 and Thursday 21 August at The University of Waikato Performing Arts centre. Parking is available at Gate 2b. Follow the path around the lake to the Performing Arts centre. **The production starts at 7.00pm. All cast and crew (St Pius X School children) are to be at the venue by 6.00pm.** The cost of tickets are:
\$10 Adults (anyone no longer at school is considered an adult)
\$5 Children
Children in the production are FREE
Programmes will be on sale on the night for \$2

Due to copyright requirements NO VIDEO CAMERA'S and videoing will be allowed in the theatre. Parents are allowed to take photo's with cameras only. The school will pay a copyright fee and have hired someone to video the production. Parents wanting to pre order DVD's of the production for presents or as memory keepsakes can pre-order on the slip provided at the bottom of this page. DVD'S will sell at \$20 per copy.

Monday August 18: There will be an all day costume rehearsal for the whole school on August 18th at The University of Waikato Performing Arts Centre. All the children will be transported to the venue by bus at 9.00am and returned to school by approximately 2.45pm. **NO LUNCH ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN ON THIS DAY. PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILDREN HAVE A PACKED MORNING TEA, LUNCH AND A BIG DRINK.**

50th Anniversary Committee Meeting: The last committee meeting for the 50th Anniversary is happening on Monday the 18th of August at 5.30pm. We ask everyone on the committee to attend and all those that have offered help on the day. Thank you.

50th Anniversary - Saturday 23 August: School children are asked to be at school at 12.30pm and to bring along their production costumes for their class item.

As part of the 50th Anniversary celebrations there will be a school Mass in the church on Sunday 24 at 9.00am. Bishop Denis will be here to lead us.

All children are expected to attend in school uniform.

After the Mass the 50th Anniversary cake will be cut and everyone is invited to stay for morning tea.

Mass of the Assumption: There is no class mass next week. The school children will be attending the Assumption Mass tomorrow, Friday the 15th of August. Everyone is welcome to come.

Changes: Please note that there will be NO Newsletter next week.

No Basketball at all next week.

Netball Draw: St Pius Future Ferns play today, 14 August @ 4.15pm on Court 18.
St Pius Hot 'n Spicy play Saturday 16 August @ 8.30am on Court 13.

Hockey: Great work last Saturday. The Lion's had a well deserved 2-1win over Te Pahu and the Cubs drew 4-4 with Horsham Downs.
This week the Cubs play at 11:10 am on 1c and the Lions play at 11:40 on 2b. Thanks everybody.

MCG Practice: The children's choir will sing at Mass this Sunday August 17th.
Be at the church for 8:40 am please.

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DVD order form – please return to the school office

I would like to pre-order _____ DVD copies/copy of The Little Mermaid Production.
(No. of copies)

Total amount enclosed: _____

Name: _____ Contact no: _____