St Pius X Catholic School Te Kura O Hato Paea Newsletter Week 2 Term1 Thursday 10th February 2022



Principal's Message

Tena koutou katoa. Nga mihi nui kia koutou.

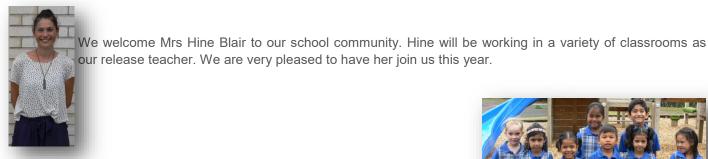
It is so good to see all our students back and looking rested after the holidays. I am really proud of the way they have settled in. Congratulations to our years 4 –8 teachers and students who are having to wear masks in this hot weather, I admire your positive attitude of just getting on with it.

We are certainly living in uncertain times, rest assured we are prepared for any scenario but our attitude is to get on with our teaching and learning. We are grateful to you all for preparing your child so well for their return to school as this has certainly helped them to settle well. Part of the precautions we are taking is asking parents not to come down to the school so this means dropping your child off at the gate as they are more than capable of walking down on their own. It's also a great way of teaching them independence. If you do have to come to the office, please make sure you sign in. The other precautions are the ones we have been asked to do from the start of the pandemic - Good coughing and sneezing etiquettes, washing / sanitising hands and staying home if sick.

Late to school: Even if your child is only a couple of minutes late, they **must** go to the office to sign in. Our student sign in system now links up with the teacher's roll taking. If your child was not there when the roll was taken, the office is alerted that your child is absent, with no explanation. You will then receive a text from the office asking where your child is, often they were a little bit late, didn't sign in and missed the roll taking and are sitting in class! This is **really important** and is for the safety of your child.

As stated by the Ministry of Health a number of times, the best fight against this virus is getting vaccinated. I know a number of our students have been, so thank you for that. Our Covid health plan is on our website if you want to see our planning.

<u>Stationery</u>: I have had feedback that once the stationery has been ordered online it is slow in being delivered, possibly a sign of the times regarding couriers. Please do not worry if you are still waiting. However if you have not ordered your child's stationery it is really important that you do so immediately. The teachers are wanting to get fully into their programmes. If you have difficulty ordering please contact Maree in the office she will be able to assist you. 8436554 or info@stpius.school.nz



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We welcome our new students to our school community and wish them every blessing and a wonderful learning journey at St Pius X.

God Bless Jane Rutherford

Ava, Evanna, Josmy, ,James, Meryl, Adi (backrow) Jacinta, Nathaniel



2022 Term Dates

Term 1: Thursday 3rd February—Thursday 14th April Term 2: Monday 2nd May—Friday 8th July Term 3: Monday 25th July—Friday 30th September Term 4: Monday 17th October—Friday 16th December





There are three positions available at the Hamilton Christian Foodbank—Administrator, Part-time, Floor Team Leader, Part time, Grants & Funding Officer, Part-time. Email the Manager for more information (<u>manager@hccfb.org.nz</u>) or you can contact Ruth Barrowclough on 07 8586 2520 or 027 3868565.

