St Pius X Catholic School Te Kura O Hato Paea Newsletter Week 2 Term 2 Thursday 12th May 2022



Principal's Message

Tena Koutou Katoa

We have had a good response with our families booking their interview time using the Skool Loop App. Mrs Maree tells me there are only a few spaces left ,so if you still need to book your time please do so now. If you have trouble booking, please contact Maree in the office 8436554 and she will be able to help you.

We have a school Mass tomorrow Friday at 9 00am. You are welcome to join us.

The weather this week has reminded us that winter is just around the corner. There are also warnings that with winter, comes winter illnesses. From the Ministry: With New Zealanders mostly sheltered from exposure to flu in the last two years, health experts are concerned about our lower immunity to flu. This winter there is the very real possibility of getting the flu and COVID-19 within a short space of time. This can lead to very serious illness and high mortality rates, we strongly encourage you to get your flu vaccination this year and get your whānau up to date with any other vaccinations (for example, measles, whooping cough etc).

In 2022, flu vaccinations are free for:

pregnant people people aged 65 years and over Māori and Pacific people aged 55 years and over

people who have a long-term medical condition like diabetes, asthma, or a heart condition (ages 6 months+) children under the age of four who have been in hospital with respiratory illness such as asthma.

If you're not eligible for a free flu jab, and not covered by an employer-funded programme, it costs between \$25 and \$45 depending on the vaccine and provider.

There is further information about the symptoms and danger signs for flu on the Ministry of Health website.

With all the good practises we already have put in place, such as staying away if unwell, regularly washing hands, using well-ventilated spaces, wearing masks when indoors, cleaning and disinfecting high-touch surfaces regularly, covering coughs and sneezes and having a highly vaccinated community (and not just for COVID-19). I am sure we will get through this winter safe and healthy.

Thanks to Mr Cam Green St Pius has two in-line hockey teams (see picture on last page). Both teams had a good win. Later in the month we have booked the skating stadium to introduce the children to this facility and the world of skating and in-line hockey.

Ma te Atua e Maanaki

Jane Rutherford



Sacramental Programme Please click on the link below and fill in the form. https://forms.gle/b8aWxMdm9HX8n88z5 You can also contact Rosemary on 0276999451 or email: sacramentalprogrammespx@gmail.com



Friends of the School (FOTS) is a welcoming collaborative team of parents/caregivers. We organise fun social activities within our school community and fundraising to support and improve school resources.

All families are automatically members of FOTS when their child joins St Pius X School. We always value any offer of support from parents/caregivers whether it be in the form of time, skills, ideas or useful contacts.

FOTS meetings happen twice per term. All are welcome to attend.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 17 May @ 7:30pm - School Staffroom

Don't forget to book your interview with your child's teachers.



What's Happening

Healthy Lunchbox Idea

<u>KIWI PIE</u>

Ingredients:

- 500g mince
- 1 tsp oil
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 can baked beans
- 1 can tomatoes
- 2 cups frozen veges
- 4 medium potatoes
- 1/4 cup low fat milk
- 1/2 cup grated edam cheese & chopped parsley

Method:

Preheat oven to 190°. Brown onion and mince in pan with oil. Add baked beans, tomatoes & frozen veges, & heat until thawed.

Cook potatoes in boiling water until tender, drain well & mash with milk, cheese & chopped parsley. Sppon mixture into individual dishes or a large pie dish & top with mashed potato. Bake for 25 mins until golden. Nice hot or cold.



MTRODUCING

St Pius X Cardinals!



School starts at **8.45am** If your child arrives at school after this time, they <u>must come</u> to the office to sign in. We can help them with this. If they are late and haven't signed in, they come through on the roll as being absent, with no reason. Mrs Maree will then make contact with you to find out where your child is. They are often sitting in class!

<u>Today's Menu</u>

FRIDAY LUNCH ORDERS If your child wishes to have their lunch purchased from Tommo's Bakery on a Friday, please choose from the menu below and make sure they have the correct money (we don't hold any change in the office). They are to come and see Mrs Maree h the office before the end of playtime (11.00am) Mince & Cheese Pie \$3.50 \$3.00 Apple Pie Chicken Naan Wrap \$3.50 Ham Naan Wrap \$3.50 Chicken Bagel \$3.50 Chicken Roll \$3.50 Ham Roll \$3.50 Ham Bagel \$3.50

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Savoury

Choc Chip Muffin

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