



St Peter Chanel Catholic School

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Newsletter

27th April 2023



We are invited to reflect
on Jesus as the Good
Shepherd

This week's Bible Quote

Good Shepherd Sunday – Acts 2:14A,
36-41:

Peter stands up with the eleven apostles and addresses the crowd, declaring that the events they are witnessing are the fulfillment of prophecy.



Mission Statement

The students at
St Peter Chanel School
will receive a comprehensive education
with a special emphasis on
their Catholic faith development.

School Vision

Whole Education. Whole Person.
We want our students to be:
Followers of Christ, Thinkers,
Contributors, Communicators,
Self Managers

Important Dates



April

Fri 28th St Peter Chanel Feast Day

MAY

Mon 1st St John in School
Tues 2nd St John in School
Wed 3rd St John in School
Mon 8th Uniform Change over
Fri 12th Scholastic Book Club Orders Closes
Sun 14th Mother's Day
Tues 16th BOT Meeting
Thurs 25th School Photos

Welcome Back

Welcome back for another activity filled school term. A special welcome to the new students who have joined us.



Student Achievement

During the term break the Government made an announcement the reduction of the teacher/student ratio from 1:29 to 1:28 for students in Year 4 to 8. Currently, in our school it would equate to us being able to employ a teacher for a day.

The media also reported the 2019 National Monitoring Study of Student Achievement findings stating 63% of Year 4 students and 35% of Year 8 students are achieving at expected levels in writing.

At SPC 75% of Year 4 students and 79% of Year 8 students are achieving at expected levels in writing.

Nationally, 63% of Year 4 students and 56% of Year 8 students are achieving at expected levels in reading.

At SPC, 87.5% of Year 4 and 80% of Year 8 students are achieving at expected levels in reading.



Winter Uniform Changeover

From the beginning of Term 2 students may wear their winter uniform. The official change-over for all students to be in their winter uniform is Monday 8th May. Note: We have a new supplier for the school jersey. The new jerseys are tripletech which means they are far more comfortable to wear.

Our uniform shop has most winter uniform items in stock and we have a stock of 2nd hand uniforms. **The school would welcome donations of any surplus uniform items to boost our pre-loved stock. Many families appreciate the opportunity to obtain good used clothing.**

Uniforms:

Boys Winter Uniform:

Grey long sleeved shirt or grey polo shirt with school monogram

Grey winter shorts

Grey long socks

Black leather shoes – Other types of shoes are unacceptable as they are not water proof.

Jersey – Green with red embroidered monogram "St Peter Chanel".

Girls Winter

Green/red/white tartan tunic

White long sleeved blouse with Peter Pan collar or white polo shirt, white skivvy

Long blue socks/tights

Black leather shoes (low heel – no platform) Other types of shoes are unacceptable as they are not water proof. Senior Girl's Winter Uniform Yr 7 & Yr 8 Tartan skirt or tunic.

Times Tables

Homework for Parents

This term we are on a mission to have all our Year 3 - 8 students learn and know the timetables. Parents can assist at home by teaching and coaching their children.

Many children can find learning their times tables challenging; it requires a high level of both patience and dedication. Supporting your child through their education, using encouragement and praise, allows them to feel confident in their educational journey. Communicate with your child's teacher if you would like ways to support your child to learn their tables.

There are a number of positives for children in learning and knowing the timetables:

- It is a form of daily mental training that can considerably improve cognitive functions
- It enhances the ability to fully understand multiplication, have fluency, and instant recall which boosts your children's confidence in the subject
- Students become aware of the patterns of maths
- Multiplication is fundamental for enabling your child to succeed in what can often be considered a daunting subject.
- It can also boost communication skills, improve memory and make rehearsals of speeches or scripts easier, help gain analytical and numerical skills
- As a child becomes faster at recalling multiplications of 2 -10, they will be able to solve more complex maths in much less time.

Inquiry

This term's theme is: How we express ourselves!

Each year level is focussing on the different art forms, including performance, to help create, express, convey stories and messages to an audience.

The theme ties in well with our preparation for the school poetry and speech competitions. It will also be provide the students with the skills necessary for the school performance (production), which is scheduled for Term 3.

St Peter Chanel Feast Day

St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr (Feast day - April 28)

Father Peter Chanel was the first Christian martyr of the South Pacific. Peter Chanel was born in 1803 at Clet in the diocese of Belley, France. His intelligence and simple piety brought him to the attention of the local priest, Father Trompier, who saw to his elementary education. Entering the diocesan Seminary, Peter won the affection and the esteem of both students and professors. After his ordination he found himself in a rundown country parish and completely revitalized it in the three year span that he remained there. However, his mind was set on missionary work; so, in 1831, he joined the newly formed Society of Mary (Marists) which concentrated on missionary work at home and abroad. To his dismay, he was appointed to teach at the seminary at Belley and remained there for the next five years, diligently performing his duties.

In 1836, the Society was given the New Hebrides in the Pacific as a field for evangelization, and the jubilant St. Peter was appointed Superior of a little band of missionaries sent to proclaim the Faith to its inhabitants. On reaching their destination after an arduous ten month journey, the band split up and St. Peter went to the Island of Futuna accompanied by a lay brother and an English layman, Thomas Boog. They were at first well received by the 'pagans' and their king Niuliki who had only recently forbidden cannibalism. However, the king's jealousy and fear were aroused when the missionaries learned the language and gained the people's confidence; he realized the adoption of the Christian Faith would lead to the abolition of some of the prerogatives he enjoyed as both highpriest and sovereign.

Finally, when his own son expressed a desire to be baptized, the king's hatred erupted and he dispatched a group of his warriors to set upon Father Peter Chanel. On April 28, 1841, three years after his arrival, Father Peter Chanel was seized and clubbed to death by those he had come to save. And his death brought his work to completion - within five months the entire island was converted to Christianity. He was canonized as a saint in 1954, the same year our school was being built.



Absences

If your child is away it is vital you contact the school office and let them know.

Email: admin@spc.ac.nz or text: 022 156 6171 or Ph. (07) 849 3734 and leave a message. Please give the reason for the absence as the Ministry of Education collects this data.

School Banking

If you wish your child to join the First Credit Union, application forms can be collected from the school office. The bank books will be cleared from the green box every Wednesday morning.



Lunch Orders

Our school works with local company who provide lunch orders to over 30 schools in Hamilton. **Lunches are available Friday only at St Peter Chanel.**

Lunch orders are back again for another year with more menu options and continued focus on selling healthy school lunch food at reasonable prices.

Check our website for more information on how it works and what's on offer this year.



School Dates 2023

Term 2 – Wednesday 26th April – Fri. 30th June. (**Monday 24th Teacher Only Day**).

Term 3 – Monday 17th July – Fri. 22nd Sept.

Term 4 – Monday 9th Oct - Wed. 20th December

Teacher Only Day Monday 24th April

Public Holidays – school closed

ANZAC Day – Tues. 25th April

King's Birthday- Mon. 5th June

Matariki – Fri. 14th July (during term break)

Labour Day – Mon. 23rd October

Mass Times

St Peter Chanel

Tuesday 9.00am

Thursday 9.00am Liturgy with Communion

Thursday 12.15pm. - School Mass

Saturday 5.00pm

St Joseph's

Wednesday 9.00am Liturgy with Communion

Friday 9.00am Sunday 9.00am

Donations to Parish of the Holy Cross:
One off Donations: Foyer envelope. Or bank: 02-0454-0000400-000 Automatic Payments: Contact office

Parish Priest: Fr Stuart Young Office & Residence: 86 Clarkin Rd Hamilton, 3214 Ph: 07 855 6214

Email: parishhc@cdh.org.nz

Website: holycross.cdh.org.nz

Yummy Stickers

Mrs Murphy Room 7 teacher is collecting yummy stickers for the school. Please collect your stickers and either take them to Mrs Murphy in Room 7 or drop them to the school office. Thank you.

THE Yummy FRUIT COMPANY

EAT YUMMY APPLES FOR NEW SPORTS GEAR FOR YOUR SCHOOL!

Collect the stickers from Yummy Apples and cut-outs from 1.5kg bags of Yummy Apples for your school's share of sports gear worth

\$200,000

★ **RUNS THROUGH TO END OF TERM 3**

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SPORT

2023 St Peter Chanel Sports Club Newsletter Term 2 Week 1

TERM 2 SPORTS TEAMS ARE READY TO GO!

Thank you to everyone who has registered for sport this Term. Coaches have finalised all teams and we're looking forward to another fantastic season of sport!

JUNIOR TOUGH GUY & GAL CHALLENGE!

We have **only 4 slots left** for our school team on Wednesday, 21 June. Cost is \$30 per competitor. For more info, visit www.eventpromotions.co.nz.

If you would like to join our school team, please contact sports@spc.ac.nz

SPORT PARENT LEADS

Flippa Ball - Nicole Bradbury, nicole.bradbury@hcc.govt.nz

Inline Hockey - Sasha & Eli, eli.sasha.wilson@gmail.com

Netball - Miha Brown, spcsecretary2020@gmail.com

Touch - Jo McLaren, jo.mclaren@hotmail.co.nz

Water Polo - Sarah Quinn, quinnlandscaping@xtra.co.nz

If you have any questions or queries about a specific sport, please contact our knowledgeable and helpful sport parent leads. For general queries about sport, please contact Sarie on sports@spc.ac.nz, phone 07 849 3734, cell 022 1566171.

AIMS GAMES - SEPTEMBER 2023!

Are you a competitive sportsperson? Then check this out! The 2023 AIMS Games are in Tauranga from **2nd-8th September** and are open to all 11, 12 and 13 year olds.

The 2023 Event Information Booklet is live and can be accessed on www.nzaimsgames.co.nz/register/event-information-booklet-1

Additional information about the tournament can be found on the website, www.nzaimsgames.co.nz/home-2

Registrations will close at 11.59pm on Wednesday, 31st May 2023.

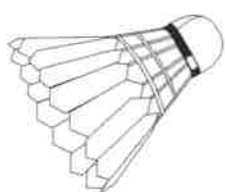
All registrations will be done through our school Sports Coordinator. If you are interested in competing, please email sports@spc.ac.nz

HORSHAM DOWNS BADMINTON CLUB



Monday Nights

Starts Monday 6th March 2023



‘THE PEAK’



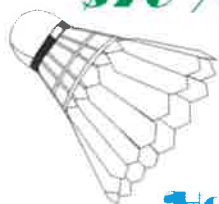
*Rototuna High School Gym
Kimbrae Drive, Rototuna, Hamilton*

SENIORS

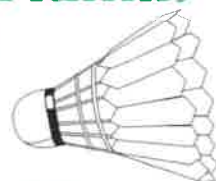
*March to November, 7.30-9.30pm
Adults \$170* & Senior Students \$100
(\$15*/night casual)*

JUNIORS (Age 8+)

*2nd & 3rd school terms, 6-7:15pm
\$70*/term or \$105*/term for a family
(\$10*/night casual)*



** to be confirmed at 2023 AGM*



*See our Facebook page
‘Horsham Downs Badminton Club’*

**BICYCLE
REVOLUTION**
* CAMBRIDGE *

KARAPIRO

100K FLYER

Event Date | Saturday 14 October 2023

Event Options

Tineli 100K | Solo, Tandem or E-Bike

**Cambridge Real Estate working together with Barfoot & Thompson 50K | Solo, Tandem or E-Bike
16K | Solo or E-Bike**

Early Bird Entry Fees

Tineli 100K Adult Solo / Tandem / E-Bike | \$80.00

Tineli 100K Junior Solo (U19) | \$60.00

**Cambridge Real Estate working together with Barfoot & Thompson 50K Adult Solo / Tandem / E-
Bike | \$70.00**

Cambridge Real Estate working together with Barfoot & Thompson 50K Junior Solo (U19) | \$50.00

16K Fun Ride (16+) | \$30.00

16K Fun Ride (U16) | \$20.00

**All early bird entry fees are available until 30 June and exclude the online booking fee*

2023 Event Merchandise

**Tineli our 100K partner are also our official event merchandise partners and are in the process of
designing stunning event kits.**

Once designs are finalised, these will be available to purchase during the registration process, [via email](#), or
onsite on race day, **Saturday 14 October 2023**.



A trio of exciting and innovative new events have been added to the programme for the 59th Red Stag Rotorua Marathon from May 5-7. These will include:

Museum Mile sponsored by Toi Ohomai

May 5th at 6:00 - 7:30pm

Incorporating the New Zealand Road Mile Championships on an electric quick course in Government Gardens. Created for all the community and aimed at every individual. Get best prepared for the Museum Mile with a training plan from Olympian and current holder of the most consecutive sub 4 minute miles, 20 years! Nick Willis!

RampRun

May 6th at 7:00 - 9:00pm

One of the most exciting races in recent years on New Zealand soil. The event will take place in the street carpark in Rotorua, with races comprising of four heats, 3 ramps to the top, short and fast. Points on the line for each heat with an overall leader board deciding end placings in each race. Races will be limited to 8 - 10 individuals and seeded upon mile and 5km times. \$50.00 awarded to all race winners. Taking part to the backdrop of lighting and music, with food and drinks available throughout the evening. Race entry includes one food and alcohol beverage. Spectator tickets available for \$20.00.

Runway5

May 6th at 1:00 - 3:00pm

Taking place on the Rotorua Airport runway, the race beckons to be one of the quickest 5km races in the Southern Hemisphere. Incorporating a kids mile in celebration of World Junior Athletics Day and a community mile. The coolest part? Race entry fees will contribute to the Kiwi Conservation on Mokoia Island, home to over 30 breeding pairs of Kiwi.

\$3.00 from the 5km and \$2.00 from the Kids and Community mile races will be donated. [Watch](#)