



# St Peter Chanel Catholic School

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## Newsletter

11th May 2023



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We are guided by the  
commandments

### This week's Bible Quote

#### 6th Sunday of Easter

'Spirit of truth .... dwells with you and  
will be in you'

John 14: 17



### Important Dates



#### MAY

Fri 12th	Scholastic Book Club Orders Close
Sun 14th	Mother's Day
Tues 16th	BOT Meeting
Thurs 25th	School Photos
Mon 29th	Samoan Language Week
Tues 30th	Visiting author Jennifer Somervel working with students

### 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

## Photo Day

Photo Day is Thursday 25th May. You can view and purchase your child's photos online. A unique Photo Keycode will be sent home a couple of weeks after Photo Day. You use this to view and order your photos online. Sibling photo request forms are available from the School Office.



## School Spirit Cup

This week the School Spirit Cup was awarded to Cooper Silverton. Cooper assisted a group of middle school students with the organisation of a soccer tournament. Cooper took on the job of coach/manager and referee. His initiative and his willingness to step back from playing and being the official provided the an excellent experience for the others.



## Art Competition

Mackenzie and Isla have organised an art competition. Year 1 to 3 students will complete a colouring activity. Templates have been provided. The older students may produce any creative art work using any media they wish. Entries must be in at the school office by next Tuesday, 16th May.



## Mother's Day

**Mother's Day is this Sunday.**

We take time on Sunday to celebrate all mums and mother figures in our lives. Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers in our school community.



## Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees have their monthly meeting scheduled for next Tuesday, 16 May at 7.00pm.

## 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 Maths
- 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 provide the students with the skills necessary for the school performance (production), which is scheduled for Term 3.

## 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.

## Multi Purpose Room

### **Multi-Purpose Room**

The concept plan for the multi-purpose room has been completed. Once all the parties involved in the establishment of the building have confirmed their desire to proceed, working drawings and tender documents will be produced.



## Absences

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

Email: [admin@spc.ac.nz](mailto: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. 30<sup>th</sup> June. (**Monday 24th Teacher Only Day**).

Term 3 – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Fri. 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept.

Term 4 – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Oct - Wed. 20<sup>th</sup> December

**Teacher Only Day Monday 24th April**

Public Holidays – school closed

ANZAC Day – Tues. 25<sup>th</sup> April

King's Birthday- Mon. 5<sup>th</sup> June

Matariki – Fri. 14<sup>th</sup> July (during term break)

Labour Day – Mon. 23<sup>rd</sup> 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,

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Email: [parishhc@cdh.org.nz](mailto:parishhc@cdh.org.nz)

Website: [holycross.cdh.org.nz](http://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.



# 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**

**EATING HEALTHY FOR COOL SPORTS GEAR SINCE 1998...**

Yummy Apples at **NW NEW WORLD**

**PAK'nSAVE**



Kia ora koutou

**Please share this information with your networks, members, or providers.**

With the report of measles in Tāmaki Makaurau on May 3, please see attached the links to the various resources that have been developed to enable you to ensure our communities and whānau remain informed. Below are some patient focused FAQs you may want to share through your practice communications channels.

If measles is suspected:

- Please notify the Medical Officer of Health as soon as you suspect measles – do not wait for a laboratory confirmation.
- Arrange nasopharyngeal or oropharyngeal sampling, using viral swab, for measles PCR. Include clinical details and symptom onset. Contact local laboratory if further information on testing is required.
- Isolate patient immediately and maintain IPC measures.
- Check [Health Pathways](#) for further up-to-date measles assessment and management information.
- Please consider active recall to vaccinate enrolled patients and opportunistic MMR vaccination. Use [Priority Childhood Immunisation Matrix](#) to guide immunisation activity. Māori and Pacific infants are highest priority populations.
- The latest media release is available here: <https://www.tewhatauora.govt.nz/about-us/news-and-updates/new-measles-case-prompts-school-closure-for-contact-tracing/>
- Primary care is encouraged to find out if their staff are immune to measles. If there is measles exposure on-site, immunisation records may be requested.

## Resources

On the [Te Whatu Ora website](#), you will find:

- A [general information factsheet](#) about measles
- Poster to be put up in public places [asking for people to stay home if they have measles](#)
- Posters for venues [where an exposure event has taken place](#) to sign post potential contacts to further information
- Poster for venues where an exposure event has taken place, to provide [details of when exposure event took place](#) and what potential contacts should do next.

All posters are [available in 18 additional languages](#)

The National Immunisation Programme has a [Dropbox of resources](#) to help promote MMR vaccination. These are available for free download.

## **Public focused FAQs**

### ***Where can people get vaccinated?***

You can get your free Measles Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccine at your General Practice, hauora Māori or Pacific provider and at many pharmacies.

Some pharmacies are unable to provide vaccinations to people under the age of 3 years, if this is the case in your area you will need to go to your primary care health provider for the free vaccine. Call your local pharmacy to check if they provide MMR vaccines. Or, to find your local pharmacy that provides this service, visit [www.healthpoint.co.nz](http://www.healthpoint.co.nz) and type 'MMR vaccine' into the search box. Many pharmacies will allow walk-ins but it's a good idea to call ahead to check.

You'll need a total of 2 doses to be fully protected and they need to be at least a month apart.

### ***How infectious is measles?***

Measles is a very serious illness that can spread easily amongst those that are not immune. It is much more contagious than COVID-19, particularly amongst people who aren't immune.

The best protection against measles is to be vaccinated with two doses of the measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) vaccine. It is safe to have an extra MMR vaccination if you can't prove you have had two doses.

The MMR vaccine is free. If you or anyone in your whānau born on or after 1 January 1969 has not had an MMR vaccine, or aren't sure, ask your General Practice, hauora Māori or Pacific provider, parent or caregiver. If you can't confirm two doses were given, play it safe and get vaccinated. There are no safety concerns with having an extra dose.

### ***What are the symptoms of measles?***

Symptoms can include a fever, cough, runny nose and sore and watery 'pink' eyes. These are followed by a blotchy rash. If you catch measles, you are infectious from four days before and until four days after the rash appears.

### ***What should people do if they experience symptoms?***

If you have symptoms, you should call your General Practice, hauora Māori or Pacific provider or Healthline on 0800 611 116. If you need to visit your primary care health provider or an after-hours clinic, phone ahead first to limit the risk of the virus being spread to other people. Because measles is so infectious, it's important that those that have been diagnosed with measles isolate (i.e. staying at home unless seeking healthcare). People who have measles will need to isolate until four days after the rash first appears.

### ***What does this case mean for New Zealand?***

Public health teams are currently tracing contacts of the case to check immunity, manage them appropriately and offer vaccination where appropriate.

We are all aware of how infectious measles is from the last outbreak in Auckland and Northland in 2019. The most important thing that people can do to protect themselves is to ensure they are immunised, along with their tamariki. Vaccination is the best protection against measles.



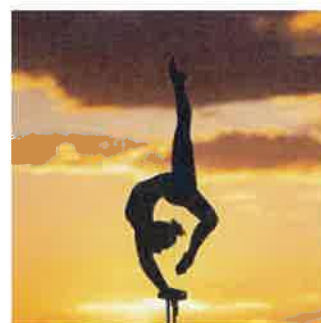
# SPORT

## 2023 St Peter Chanel Sports Club Newsletter Term 2 Week 3

### GYMNASTICS

The Hamilton City School's Festival for Yrs 2-8 is scheduled for Thursday, 22 June. Practices will be held every Tuesday lunchtime in the school hall. Remember PE gear and a drink bottle.

Registration info will be listed here when available. For more info, contact our coach, Cat Seward, [catherine.seward@hotmail.com](mailto:catherine.seward@hotmail.com)



### JUNIOR TOUGH GUY & GAL CHALLENGE!



**Only 1 slot left** in our school team for Wednesday, 21 June. If you are only pencilled in, please confirm. Cost is \$30 each. For more info, visit [www.eventpromotions.co.nz](http://www.eventpromotions.co.nz).

If you would like to join our school team, please contact [sports@spc.ac.nz](mailto:sports@spc.ac.nz)

### SPC INLINE HOCKEY

Our inline hockey team, the SPC Buffalos, won against Tuna in their first game this week. They were tied and, just on the last minute, they hit a score. Super proud of them - Go Buffalos!!!

### AIMS GAMES - SEPTEMBER 2023!

The 2023 AIMS Games are in Tauranga from **2nd-8th September** and are open to all 11, 12 and 13 year olds. 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](mailto:sports@spc.ac.nz)



## SPC NETBALL

Our SPC netball season kicked off in high gear last week for all four of our talented netball teams.

First up on Tuesday afternoon were *Tommo's Bakery SPC Stars Yr 3/4*.



The SPC Stars had a great start to the winter netball season. They played a very sharp game in their new uniforms, thanks to Phoung and Pat. We had a win against Ohinewai 11-0 and our Players of the Day were Marnee Eketone (left) and Ivy Patchett (right). Well done girls on a great game!!!



Wednesday night saw the start of our two Yr 5/6 teams. First up we had our *Pat Chaimontree SPC Galaxy* team.



The girls have been together for three full seasons and this is their fourth season together. They played some strong lines on attack, and, on defence, Nahkyla and Hazel took heaps of ball off the opposition team throughout the game. Our girls had a good 8-1 scoreline but more importantly all their hard work at training is starting to show. Players of the Day were Ayva le Fleming (left) and Makaia Rumney (right). Well done girls!!!



Our Galaxy team: back row left to right: Hazel Stone, Aleigha Elliott-Brown, Indi Simmonds, Siara Hunt, Ava Chaimontree, Pia Simoncelli.

Front row left to right: Makaia Rumney, Ayva le Fleming, Nahkyla Elliott.

Our other Yr 5/6 Wednesday night team, the *Pat Chaimontree SPC Comets*, is being coached this year by a former student of our own, Bridie Page.

Bridie takes on this challenge with open arms and has done an amazing job so far with all but two girls having played before. They played a tough and fast opposition on a wet night but the smiles and the enthusiasm were evident the entire game which was lovely to see.

Player of the Day for them was Petesa Koli Filivao. I would also like to mention the amount of whanau support we had at all games this week too. Awesome sight and let's hope for some better weather moving forward.



Our Comets team: back row left to right: Layla Booth, Willow Garnett, Petesa Koli Filivao, Willow Cree, Sara Simoncelli, Lucy Murphy.

Front row left to right: Mackenzie Briggs, Harper Daly. Absent: Victoria Meththa, Olivia Eagleton, Paul Raquel.

Last but not least we would all love to acknowledge the generosity of the following whanau within our school community who have contributed hugely to our netball programme this year-

🏆 Pat Chaimontree Real Estate

🏆 Tommo's Bakery

## UPCOMING SPORTING EVENTS

- ✓ Hamilton City Schools Gymsports Festival, 22 June 2023  
<https://hamcitygym.co.nz/schoolsecessports-groups>
- ✓ AIMS Games, 2-8 September 2023  
<https://www.nzaimsgames.co.nz/>
- ✓ Karapiro 100K Flyer, 14 October 2023  
<https://eventpromotions.co.nz/events-karapiro-100k-flyer/>
- ✓ City to Surf: Tauranga-Mt Maunganui, 5 November 2023  
<https://citytosurf2023.eventdesq.com/>

## U12's WAIKATO WATER POLO

Come join us for some "AWESOME" U12 water polo action!

We train on Sunday at Waterworld in 3 different sessions starting at 9am till 10am based on players skill set. Players will move in between sessions from time to time as they master skills.

We have between 4-5 tournaments throughout the year around Auckland, Hamilton, and Tauranga. These tournaments are such fun and it is a great way to see how these young players develop throughout the year.

You can come check us out for 3 free sessions before you sign up.

It is a great opportunity to meet new friends and have some fun playing water polo!



Book your spot today!  
Contact Teresa on 027 562 2293  
U12's Co-Ordinator



## **SPECIAL NETBALL VISIT**

We had a special moment on Sunday 7th May where 10 of our school's netballers had the privilege of going to Globox Arena and having a game-day walk through with the Avis Waikato Bay of Plenty Magic netball team.

It started with a tour of the behind the scenes stuff with the team manager. She walked us into the building via the team entry doors and down the corridor to the team's changing sheds where the girls were able to sit on the players' chairs where they would be sitting pre-game. While there, we met Head Coach Mary Jane Araroa, Assistant Coach Helen Hoult and the team's Nutritionist. They gave us a run down of how all the game-day preparations work and why each step is so important to their game-play.

Once we finished there we were welcomed back to court-side where the girls got to watch the team participate in some connection drills, shooting practice and just having a bit of fun pre-game.

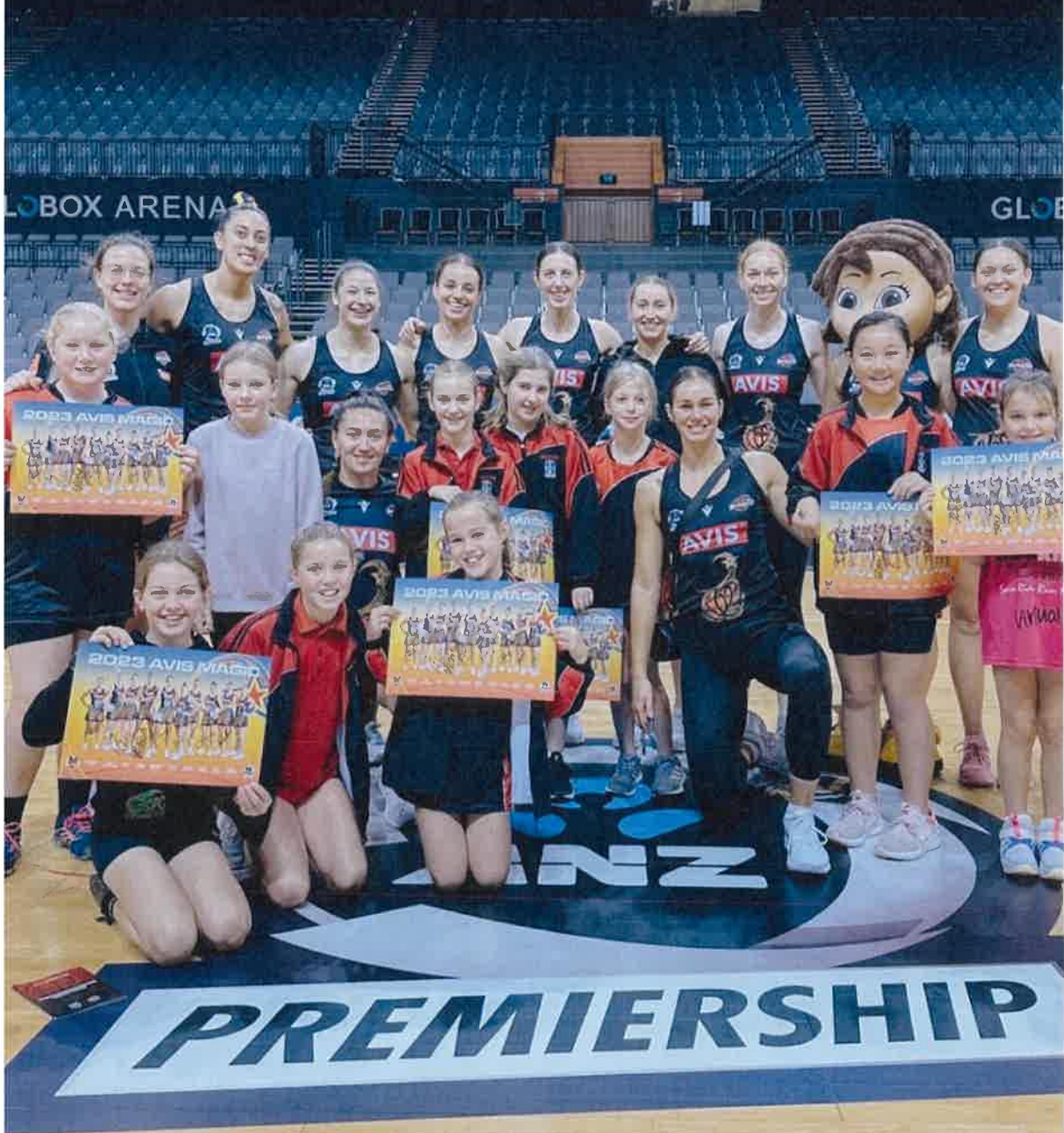
Then it was our time to get up close with some signatures and hand shakes, Erana Mikaere played the girls some Lizzo on the team's boom box and then they got to have a group photo with the players. All of our girls represented our kura brilliantly and were very kind and respectful while doing so.

Thanks to Kelly Stone and her company, Norris Ward McKinnon, for providing this amazing opportunity for our kids to experience something so rare. This was only the second time ever that any outsiders were allowed into the team's dressing rooms.



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**WE HAD ST PETERS CHANEL SCHOOL COME  
ALONG TO CAPTAINS RUN TODAY!**



**THANKS TO NORRIS WARD MCKINNON**

