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Newsletter

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We should be prepared all the time by always doing God's work and loving Him with all our hearts, souls, minds and loving our neighbours as ourselves.

This week's Bible Quote

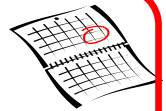
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Matthew 25:13



Important Dates NOVEMBER



Thurs 9th	Junior Athletics
Friday 10th	Senior Athletics (School) Running & Relays
Tues 14th	Junior Trip Hamilton Gardens
Mon 20th	TEACHER ONLY DAY SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 21st	BOT Meeting
Thurs 23	Road Patrol Training CIS Athletics
Fri 24th	Touch Torny

DECEMBER

Tues 5th	School Production
Wed 6th	School Production Year 4 Camp

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

Teacher Only Day

School closed

TEACHER ONLY DAY

MONDAY 20th NOVEMBER

No classes

Teaching Assistants will be available to supervise students whose parents are unable to arrange child care for the day.

Note: all schools have received notification from the Ministry of Education that a day may be set aside for staff to have time to prepare for 'significant changes which are occurring to strengthen our schooling curriculum and assessment systems.

The teacher-only days are to be used to support implementation activities across The New Zealand Curriculum refresh, the re-design of Te Maurautanga o Aotearoa and the NCEA Change Programme. These days will be supported by the Ministry'

Enrolments 2024

We have already had a number of inquiries from people wanting to enrol their children for next year. If you are intending to move your child out of the school at the end of the year please advise the school office; admin@spc.ac.nz, so we can determine whether we have the space for new enrolments. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.



Classes 2024

Planning for next year is underway. If parents have any matters they wish to be considered when we place their child in a class for 2024 they are asked to put them in writing and give them to the Principal; nickq@spc.ac.nz. All correspondence is treated in confidence. Please understand as numbers and the way the school is organised we may not be able to accommodate every request. Class lists will be posted on the school's noticeboard and the school's website on Tuesday 30th January.

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Trophies

Our prizing giving for the Year 8's is scheduled for Friday 15th December. If you received a trophy or cup, (or had a family member who did) last year, can you please return it to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you.



SPC Athletics

Due to Porritt Stadium being unavailable to schools this year our school athletics event will be held at school. Classes are completing the field events during P.E. times, and the running races will be held on Friday morning. Results will be recorded and those students who meet qualifying times or requirements will be given the opportunity to compete in inter-school events.



Sports Waikato Awards

Great news....Miha Brown (a school parent) has made it to the TOP 3 FINALISTS for the Sport Waikato Awards.

Miha was nominated for the Community Coach Award. Interesting, he was the only nominated person associated with a school. Miha is not only a 'driver' for sports at SPC, he also is involved with other associations. It is wonderful that his commitment, passion, expertise and time have been recognised.

A dinner/special event where the winners are announced is in February next year.



School Production

Rehearsals will begin next week in preparation for our school production. It will be held on Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th December at the Performing Arts Centre, University of Waikato. The show will have a Christmas and cultural theme.



Loud Shirt Day

As a class, Room 8 raised \$60.00 to help children and adults who are hard of hearing and access sound through cochlear implants. Thanks for all of your support and loud shirts.



Wool Container

A Wool in schools - mobile "Wool Shed" which travels the length of New Zealand teaching our children about the wonders of wool is on site. The container is packed to the brim with wool resources and activity planners to help teachers direct learning for their classes. Students learn about wool processes, innovative thinking, design, and technology and they'll have lots of fun along the way.



Calendar Art

The classes are busy creating art for this annual fundraiser. Calendars cost \$15 each and make great Christmas presents for grandparents, family and friends. Order forms have been sent home with the children. Please note that **ONLY CLASSIC CALENDARS** are available for purchase. Please return forms and money to the school office in a sealed envelope. If you are paying by internet banking please make sure you return your child's form to the office too, by no later than:

Tomorrow FRIDAY 10th November.



Baptism

16 of our students will be baptized into the Catholic Faith at next Thursday's School Mass. Mass will start at the early time of 12pm. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.



School Spirit Cup

This week's recipient of the School Spirit Cup is George Winders. George has been looking for ways to become an awardee. He set himself a goal and regularly checked in to see if there was work to be done.

Finally, he was given the opportunity. George spent a morning tea and a lunch break by himself pruning unwanted shoots off the side of some trees. It wasn't an easy task, however he stuck to it and completed a top job. Well done George.



Sacramental Programme 2024

This programme is for children who are baptised and are aged 8 years and over. Provisionally classes will run for 5 weeks on a Tuesday evening from 6-7pm at St Joseph's Church, Fairfield commencing early February 2024. **Registration is online at: holycross.cdh.org.nz under Sacramental Preparation. The link is now live until 1 December.** Please note you will be required to supply a copy of the child's baptism certificate before your registration is complete.



Feast of Christ the King Mass

The St Peter Chanel Church leaders are busy organizing a special celebration for the Feast of Christ the King which is the weekend of 25th/26th November. Our parish is very multicultural. An invitation is extended to all active cultural groups who would be willing to sing one of their songs during the Mass. Please contact Linda Richards on 0272500018, if you wish to be involved.



Christmas Mass Timetable

December Mass Times

Saturday 23 December

St Peter Chanel 5.00pm
St Anthony's 5.30pm

Sunday 24 December

St Joseph's 9.00am
St Paul's 10.30am

Christmas Vigil

Sunday 24 December

St Joseph's 4.00pm
St Anthony's 5.30pm
St Peter Chanel 7.00pm

No Mass in the Parish on Christmas Day.

Weekday Masses after Christmas

Thursday 28 December St Peter Chanel 9.00am
Friday 29 December St Joseph's 9.00am
No weekday Masses in the first week of January 2024.



Mission Day Raffle Results

- Small Chocolate Hamper: Piripi Jones Room 3
- Christmas Hamper: Ariana Watson Room 4
- Banhi Mi Voucher: Richard Petersen (Parent)
- Wash Club Vouchers: Madeleine Rowse Room 5
- Adriana's Restaurant Vouchers: Olivia Eagleton Room 10 & Miss Holly Fagan Rm 11 (Student Teacher)

All winners have been notified of the results and all prizes can be collected from the school office.

Thank you to all business and families who supported our raffles for Mission Day.

Banhi Mi Restaurant
Wash Club
The Monahan Family for
Adriana's Italian Restaurant
Waikato Valley Chocolates

The Chaimontree Family
Libby Screen
Ninja Valley Voucher
The Jacobs Family



Absences

If your child is away or is going to be late, 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.



Newsletter

The newsletter is available every Thursday to view on our website. A link is also on our Facebook page, and every parent will be also emailed a copy of the weekly newsletter. Can you please contact the school office if you have changed your email address, so we can update it on our system. We will no longer be distributing paper copies of the newsletter, but there will be some paper copies available in the school office.



KIDS SPEAK OUT!



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AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES: Kids gain real life skills!

LEADERSHIP in HOLIDAYS: Awesome Fun & Life Skills – 4 days

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www.speak4success.co.nz

School Dates 2023

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

Labour Day – Mon. 23rd October

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 Banking

There have been changes made to joining First Credit Union. If you wish your child to join the First Credit Union, application forms can be collected from the school office. Once you have completed the forms you will need to go into the First Credit Union in Colingwood Street, to complete your School Banking application. The bank books will be cleared from the green box every Wednesday morning.



Mass Times

St Peter Chanel

Tuesday 9.00am

Thursday 9.00am Liturgy with Communion

Thursday 12.15pm. - School Mass

Parent & caregivers are welcome to attend.

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,

SPORT

2023 St Peter Chanel Sports Club Newsletter Term 4 Week 5

INLINE HOCKEY

Last night our SPC Buffalo's played a very competitive game against Hamilton Seventh Day Adventist Primary School, resulting in a tie of 1-1.

Our Buffalo's played amazingly well as a team, with long passes and good strategies.

Super Happy Birthday to Jayden Zimmerman whose birthday was on Sunday!



Good job to Maddy, Miesha, Dakota, Dominic and Rene for this game!

WEET-BIX KIDS TRYATHLON!

Join our school group! We are registered for the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon in Hamilton on Sunday 10th December.



To register your child, click on the link below, scroll down to *How to enter a TRYathlete* and read *C) Joining Your School Group*.

When you are ready, click on the **ENTER NOW/CREATE A SCHOOL GROUP** link on the right hand side of the page. **When you register you can select the option for your TRYathlete pack to be delivered to the school.**

<https://raceroster.com/events/2023/79102/hamilton-sanitarium-weet-bix-kids-tryathlon>

SPORT PARENT LEADS

Basketball - Miha Brown, spcsecretary2020@gmail.com

Gymnastics - Cat Seward, catherine.seward@hotmail.com

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

Netball - Miha Brown, spcsecretary2020@gmail.com

Splash Polo - Nicole Bradbury, nicole.bradbury@hcc.govt.nz

Touch - Miha Brown, spcsecretary2020@gmail.com

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



KIWIVOLLEY LEAGUE TERM 4

The Kiwivolley League provides a great opportunity for our primary and intermediate athletes to play and development their volleyball skills in a fun environment.

The games are played 4-a-side and mixed genders on badminton sized courts. The Kiwivolley League runs over 4 weeks starting from Wednesday 22nd November and finishing on Wednesday 20th September. Entries close Friday 17th November.

LOCATION: The Peak, 60 Kimbrae Drive, Rototuna.

TERM 4 DATES:

Week 1: Wednesday 22nd November

Week 2: Wednesday 29th November

Week 3: Wednesday 6th December

Week 4: Wednesday 13th December (optional)

GAMES: Each team will get 2 games and 1 duty per night.

Games start at 4pm and will go for around 20mins each.

Kiwivolley is a modified version of volleyball with rules and equipment adapted for tamariki aged between 5-12 years. Our Kiwivolley programme is characterised by enhancing overall understanding of the volleyball fundamentals and general athletic development. Improving basic movement abilities such as agility, balance, speed, and coordination, while improving fundamental movement skills such as running, jumping, passing and spiking, and developing physical literacy are the primary focus.

Volleyball is a popular sport and it's great to have this opportunity to try it out! Teams are between 4 and 6 players, so gather your friends together and let's go!

To register your child for volleyball, go to <https://www.spc.ac.nz/471/pages/102-sports-at-spc>

We will require a Parent Lead and each team will require a coach in order to be confirmed, so please tick the Parent Assistance box! All team entries depend on sufficient parent volunteers and player numbers.

We hope to play the full 4 weeks. The cost per player will be \$20 each. You will only need to pay the fee once your place in this team has been confirmed.

For more information please contact Sarie, sports@spc.ac.nz

Volleyball registrations will close on Sunday 12 November.