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Newsletter

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His Kingdom begins to become established within us! And through us in the world.

This week's Bible Quote

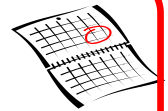
Feast of Christ the King

“Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.”

Matthew 25:40



Important Dates November



Fri 24th
Sat 25th

Touch Torny
Feast of Christ the King
Mass—5pm

Wed 29th

N/W Athletics Year 4-6
St Pauls Collegiate
Waikato Full Primary
Athletics -Te Awamutu
Stadium

DECEMBER

Tues 5th
Wed 6th

School Production
School Production
Year 4 Camp

Fri 8th
Sun 10th
Tues 12th

Year 8 Retreat
Weetbix Triathlon
Junior Nativity Play –
Church 10.30am

Wed 13th
Thurs 14th

Year 8 Waiimarino
School Mass– Year 8
Leaving Ceremony
12.15 Yr 8 Prizegiving
1.30

Wed 20th

Year 8 Social
Last Day of the School
Year. School Closes @
12.30pm

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

Thank You

Thank you to Mrs Steens, our Director of Religious Studies, for running the baptismal preparation programme. 15 of our students were baptised at last Thursday's school Mass. Thank you to all the parents who supported their children during the preparation period and on the day. It was a very special occasion.



Enrolments 2024

We have 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.



Mrs Connolly

Our Deputy-Principal, Mrs Connolly, has had to take early maternity leave. We will keep you updated on her progress. She will not be returning to her position until the start of Term 4, 2024. Mrs Cornille will take full responsibility for our Room 5 students.



School Spirit Cup

This week's recipient of the School Spirit Cup are Kaea Ramaka, Summer Simmonds, Henrietta Piliu, Xanthia Wise, Harper Pilcher and Blake McFarlane. These senior students cleaned and set up the hall for the celebration meal, which followed the baptism ceremony at last Thursday's school Mass. There was no adult input and they organised themselves and did a great job.



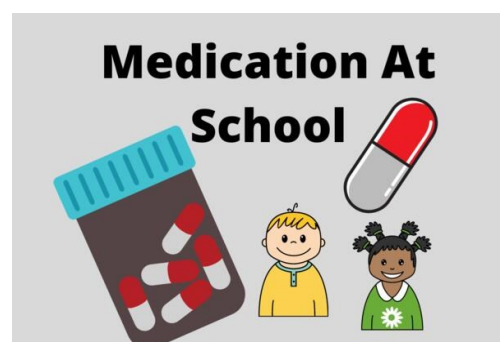
RATS Tests

The school has a surplus supply of Rapid Covid-19 Antigen Self-Test kits which are due to expire on the 31/12/23. Anyone interested in obtaining free testing kits can do so from the school office.



Medication at School

If your child requires to have medication at school (Panadol, inhalers etc.) it needs to be handed into the school office to be held. It is not to be left in children's bags as this is a safety issue.



School Production

SCHOOL PRODUCTION

Involves all students from Year 3 - 8

This year the School Production 'Our Christmas and Cultural Story' will be presented at the **Waikato University Performing Arts Centre, accessed from Knighton Road, Gate 1 or 2.**

Performances will be held:

Tuesday 5th December 7.30pm

Wednesday 6th December 7.30pm

Students need to be at the Performing Arts Centre no later than 7pm. on performance nights.

Parents are not allowed back stage.

Please note your child is required at both performances. It would be worthwhile considering car-pooling with someone else so you don't have to make 2 trips.

We expect the show will be finished by 8.45pm. and ask that you are on time to collect your child/ren.

Following the evening performances class groups will be released one at a time into the foyer area of the building.

As the students will be late to bed on performance nights' classes will start later the following morning (Wednesday and Thursday) at 10.00am. Those who arrive earlier will be supervised.

Tickets for the show are now on sale from the school office as from **Monday 27th November. \$10.00 per ticket.** The ticket price is minimal as the Board of Trustees have generously contributed to the costs as a Christmas gift to the community.

Students may bring board games, cards, sketching materials to play/use backstage while they wait for their performance. (No technology)

DRESS REHEARSAL

We have a **full dress rehearsal Monday 4th December** at the Performing Arts Centre. The students will travel by bus to the University. The students need to be **at school by 8.45am.** They are to wear their school uniform. They will need their school bag, morning tea, lunch, drink bottle. We should be back at school by 2.00pm.

COSTUMES

Each teacher has organised costuming for their own group. Costumes will be kept by the teacher and given out when the students arrive at the venue.

On performance night the students have been asked to wear plain black shorts and top as a base for their costumes (unless otherwise instructed).

Sacramental Programme 2024

This programme is for children who are baptised and are aged 8 years and over. The programme prepares the students for their First Holy Communion and Confirmation. 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.



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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.



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.



Jibbits for Sale

Jayden, Logan and Joey are starting a Jibbit business. Jibbits are little show charms you put on your crocs. They are selling them on Friday the 25 of November. The price is 1 to 2 dollars per Jibbit.



Drum Tuition

Experienced drummer/tutor available for drum lessons during school hours. Lessons will be one-on-one for a half an hour one day a week.

Lessons cost \$25.00 per lessons and need to be paid at the time of the lesson. Pupils will be taught to read drum music and various styles will be taught such as rock, pop, blues and disco.

Students who wish to continue their tuition and any new students 8 years or older please contact Malcolm details below in late January or early February 2022

Phone or Text

Malcolm Boyd on

021-152-3747



School Dates 2023

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

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.

www.lunchorders.co.nz



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 Collingwood 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 7

SPORTS FEES NOW DUE

All our sports teams and players have had a great start to the spring season! Keep an eye on this newsletter to see their results and photos.

Sports fee invoices were emailed out in early November and were due for payment last week. Thank you to all who have paid their fees. If you have yet to pay, please do so as soon as possible. We have already paid all the team's Club fees so our balance sheet is in the red!

UPCOMING SPORTING EVENTS

- ✓ Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon: Hamilton, 10 December 2023
<https://tryathlon.co.nz>
- ✓ Rotorua Off-Road Trail Run/Walk: Rotorua, 3 March 2024
<https://eventpromotions.co.nz/rotorua-off-road-trail-run-walk/>
- ✓ Long Course Weekend NZ: Waikato, 12 - 14 April 2024
<https://www.lcwnewzealand.com/>
- ✓ Junior Tough Guy & Gal Challenge: Hamilton, 19 June 2024
<https://eventpromotions.co.nz/>
- ✓ AIMS Games: Tauranga, 7 - 13 September 2024
<https://www.nzaimsgames.co.nz/>

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>

TOUCH

Our SPC Lions had a narrow win last week over Marian in a great, fair game that gave us lots of chances to practice our improving defence skills. We were rewarded with a couple of turnovers for our hard work!

Players of the Day were Eden Sanft (left), for her brave play, moving forward and defensive effort, and Aaron Horton (right), for his great attack work and increased efforts on sportsmanship.

Go Lions!

