



# St Peter Chanel Catholic School

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## Newsletter

8th February 2024



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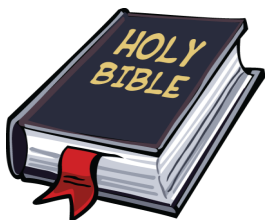
We have a clear role  
model to emulate.

### This week's Bible Quote

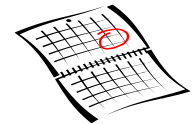
**6th Sunday of Ordinary Time**

'Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ'

1 Cor. 11:1



### Important Dates February 2024



Wed 7th	First day Term 1 2024
Thurs 8th	Yr 7/8 Waterworld 1.30— 2.30pm
Fri 9th	Vaccination info Yr 7/8 9.30am
	Yr 5/6 Waterworld 1.30- 2.30pm
Mon 12th	Yr 7/8 Waterworld 1.30- 2.30pm
Tues 13th	Yr 7/8 Technology
	Yr 5/6 Waterworld 1.30- 2.30pm
	Sports Muster 3pm— Touch/Netball/Basketball
	Meet the Teacher Opportunity
Wed 14	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY Liturgy</b>
	Meet the Teacher
Thurs 15th	Yr 5/6 Waterworld
	Meet the Teacher
Fri 16th	Soccer in Schools (Jnr Classes)

### 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

## Welcome to 2024 School Year

It was lovely to stand at the gate yesterday morning, welcoming parents and children back to school and being met with smiles and greetings from children and parents alike. I hope you have all had a great summer break and are refreshed and ready for whatever 2024 brings.

Our teachers have put a lot of time and effort ensuring that their programmes are planned, and your children's classrooms were ready for day one. I hope that your children enjoyed their first days at school. We look forward to another good year at SPC.

The first few weeks of the school year are vitally important as the children settle into their new classrooms and routines, and get to know their teachers and renew friendships.

It is important teachers and parents work together to support our children's learning and well-being. Teachers will be sending out regular class notices informing parents of organisational matters.



## Meet Teacher/Writers Tool Box Information Sessions

An opportunity to meet the teachers is scheduled for next week. Teachers will be in their classes from 3.15 - 4.00pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to meet with parents. No appointments are necessary as this is an informal 'meet and greet'.

You are also welcome to come to the staff room on the same days to find out more about SPC Writing Tool Box. Mrs Farrell and Senior Students will demonstrate the online programme, and the use of Sentence Trains.



## Classes/Staff 2024

### Classes

Room 1A Maree Campbell Years 7/8

Room 1B Clare Dutton Years 7/8

Room 2 Carol Flower

Room 3 Henna Shareef Year 1

Dee aitkenT/A

Room 4 Candice Wiggill N.E.

Lorena Olivera-Latapie T/A

Room 5 Anna Cornille Years 5/6

Kurdt Webber

Tracey Blake T/A

Room 6 Claudia Andrew Year 1/2

Frances Hallberg T/A

Room 7 Katrina Murphy Year1/ 2

Jane Roche T/A

Room 8 Jess Van Der Mee Years 3/4

Room 10 Tara Orme

Sue Farell T/A

Room 11 Amy McChesney Years 3/4

Room 12 Judith White Years 3/4

We also welcome Philippa Melton to our team. Philippa has been employed as a reading recovery teacher.

Carol Flower and Kurdt Webber have joined us. Carol is teaching a Year 7/8 class and Kurdt is teaching Room 1B— Year 7/8 on Mondays and Room 5 on Thursday and Friday.



## School Dates 2023

Term 1 – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February – Fri 12<sup>th</sup> April

Term 2 – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April – Fri 5<sup>th</sup> July

Term 3 – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Fri. 27<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Term 4 – Monday 14<sup>h</sup> Oct - Fri 20<sup>th</sup> December

Easter Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March return

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Public Holidays – school closed

King's Birthday- Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Matariki – Fri 28<sup>th</sup> June (during term break)

Labour Day – Mon. 28<sup>th</sup> October



## Emergency Contact Details

It is essential for contact tracing purposes that we have all families current contact details (including at least one emergency contact). If there are any changes from last year please email the school office to update contact details. Also if you have a child starting school this year and you have not yet enrolled them please contact the school office for enrolment contracts: [admin@spc.ac.nz](mailto:admin@spc.ac.nz)

## BOT Meeting

The first Board of Trustees Meeting for 2024 is to be held in the staffroom on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00pm.

## School Standards

The school staff endeavour to maintain high standards of behaviour and action amongst themselves and students.

We ask parents to read through our school standards of behaviour and discuss them with their children.

1. Students will address teachers and other adults with courtesy and respect, greeting them politely, and not interrupting adult conversation. Respect for adults will be shown at all times.
2. Students are expected to show care and respect for each other. Bullying behaviour is not tolerated.
3. Fighting (including play fighting and playing with sticks), tormenting or teasing will not be tolerated.
4. Students must respect the rights of others to learn in the classroom. Arrive at class on time and be prepared to apply themselves to learning.
5. When a student is given a duty to do, it will be completed to the best of their ability.
6. School and others' property must be respected. No touching other students bags, items, scooters or bikes.
7. No sweets at school, which includes gum.
8. No visiting shops, to and from school, without parental supervision. (Only exception is with Principal's permission).
9. The use of inappropriate language is not accepted.
10. Students are to hand in their phones at the Office each morning for safe-keeping.
11. Chromebooks must be used for learning.
12. Students who wish to skateboard or scooter must wear a helmet and stay in the designated areas - asphalt by Rooms 5 and 12 and the skateboard ramp.
13. No kicking footballs or rugby balls on the courts due to close proximity to neighbouring properties.
14. Native bush, caretakers sheds, behind courts, and behind the library and Room 9 is out of bounds
15. Students will wear their full uniform to and from school.
  - Hair is expected to be tidy and of natural colour. Shoulder length hair must be tied back. Any hair ties must be appropriate colour (red, green, white).
  - Nail polish and make-up are not to be worn.
  - The following are permitted: - one pair of stud earrings, watch, cross and chain, religious medals.

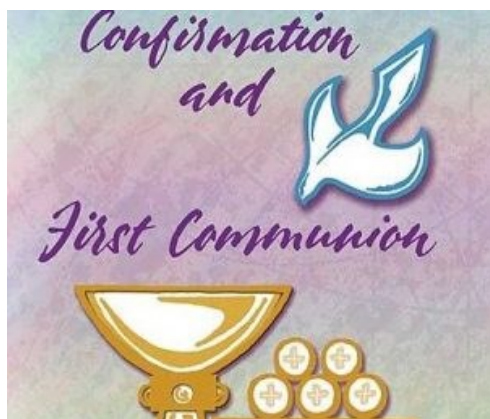
Failure to keep the standards will be dealt with in a variety of ways from full discussions with students through to the withdrawal of a student from class. Detentions will be an option.

However, our emphasis is not on punishment rather, encouraging the student to accept responsibility for their actions and behaviours and exercising age-appropriate self-discipline.

Parents will be always be advised of any serious or continuing behavioural problems and will be involved in assisting the school with resolving them. If a student is sent from a classroom for misbehaviour their parents will be contacted.

## Sacramental Programme

Reminder: the children enrolled in the First Holy Communion/ Confirmation Programme have their first lessons next Tuesday 13th February at 6.00pm at St Joseph's Church, Clarkin Road.



## Newsletter

A newsletter will be produced every THURSDAY.

Newsletters can be viewed on our website in the following location:

[www.spc.ac.nz/parents/newsletters](http://www.spc.ac.nz/parents/newsletters)

The newsletter will be emailed to all caregiver and a link will be posted on our Facebook page once the newsletter is uploaded.

Urgent notices or forms for completion will be uploaded to our website in the following location:

[www.spc.ac.nz/parents/notices](http://www.spc.ac.nz/parents/notices)

Or posted on our Facebook page.

Notice returns can be handed into the office or scanned and emailed to our office email:

[admin@spc.ac.nz](mailto:admin@spc.ac.nz)

## Covid

Covid is still circulating. If anyone in your household has covid, as a courtesy, please contact the school office. Covid is highly contagious, therefore, we will be asking household contacts to wear a mask at school. We need to protect the teachers and students as we can't afford to have covid spreading amongst our staff.



## Hats

School Sun Hats are compulsory for this Term. All students are required to wear a sunhat during break times and when involved in out-of-class activities. New hats are available for purchase from the school office at the cost for \$15.00.



## Lost Property

Please name ALL clothing, shoes, hats, drink bottles and lunch boxes. This year the Lost Property Bins are located on the classroom decks. Named items usually find their way back to their rightful owner.



## Parish Mass/Barbecue

**This Saturday 10th February  
5.00pm.**

**The parish invite all families to attend  
this Saturday evening's Mass.**

Following Mass the parish will hold a  
BBQ.

Everyone is invited, it is a great way to  
start the new year.

## Mass Times

### St Peter Chanel

Tuesday 10.15am

Thursday 10.15am

Saturday 5.00pm

### St Joseph's

Wednesday 10.15 am

Friday 10.15am

Sunday 8.00am & 10.00am

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

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

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

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

## Uniforms

The uniform shop is open every day.  
However, please expect delays at busy  
times of the day such as before and  
after school. For your convenience  
purchases from the Uniform Shop can  
also be made on online through our  
website. We can fit and deliver uni-  
form items to your child during the  
course of the day.

All uniform items stocked in our shop  
are sold to the parents at cost to keep  
costs to a minimum.

## 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 Cha-  
nel.**

Lunch orders are back again for anothe-  
r year with more menu options and  
continued focus on selling healthy  
school lunch food at reasonable pric-  
es.

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

[www.lunchorders.co.nz](http://www.lunchorders.co.nz)

**Lunch  
Orders**

## 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.

**first**  
**credit**  
**union**

## Drum Lessons 2024

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 lesson 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**



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# SPORT

2024 St Peter Chanel Sports Club Newsletter Term 1 Week 1

## TERM 4 SPORTS ARE READY TO START!

Thank you to everyone who has registered for a sport for Term 4! Teams are now confirmed and you will hear from your coach soon! *Go sport!!!*

## SPORT PARENT LEADS

Basketball - Miha Brown, [spcsecretary2020@gmail.com](mailto:spcsecretary2020@gmail.com)

Gymnastics - Cat Seward, [catherine.seward@hotmail.com](mailto:catherine.seward@hotmail.com)

Inline Hockey - Sasha & Eli, [eli.sasha.wilson@gmail.com](mailto:eli.sasha.wilson@gmail.com)

Netball - Miha Brown, [spcsecretary2020@gmail.com](mailto:spcsecretary2020@gmail.com)

Splash Polo - Nicole Bradbury, [nicole.bradbury@hcc.govt.nz](mailto:nicole.bradbury@hcc.govt.nz)

Touch - Miha Brown, [spcsecretary2020@gmail.com](mailto:spcsecretary2020@gmail.com)

Water Polo - Sarah Quinn, [quinnlandscaping@xtra.co.nz](mailto:quinnlandscaping@xtra.co.nz)

## UPCOMING SPORTING EVENTS

- ✓ 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/>
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