



# St Peter Chanel Catholic School

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## Newsletter

15th February 2024



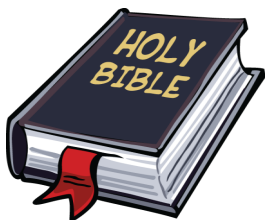
We are encouraged to reflect during the time of Lent and commit to following the gospel

### This week's Bible Quote

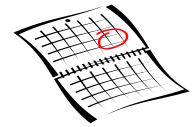
#### 1st Sunday of Lent

'Repent, and believe in the gospel'.

Mark 1:15



### Important Dates February 2024



Thurs 15th	Yr 5/6 Waterworld Meet the Teacher
Fri 16th	Soccer in Schools (Jnr Classes) Pasifika Group 1.40pm
Mon 19th	Yr 7/8 Waterworld
Tues 20th	Yr 7/8 Technicraft Yr 5/6 Waterworld
Wed 21	Yr 7/8 Waterworld
Thurs 22nd	School Mass 10.15am
Fri 23rd	Yr 5/6 Waterworld Pasifika Group 1.40pm Scholastic Orders Close

### 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

## Meet the Teacher

We have had a number of parents come in after school to meet their child's teacher and also take the opportunity to visit the staffroom to learn more about the Writers Toolbox from staff and senior students.

Teachers will also be available to meet parents tonight after school from 3.15 - 4.00pm.. We encourage parents to take up this opportunity. The Writers Toolbox display will also be in the staffroom.



## 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)



**EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

## Donation Scheme

As many of you may be aware the Government offered schools funding of \$150.00 per student for 2024, in lieu of parent donations. The Board of Trustees accepted the offer. As a result of this, our school will not be asking parents for school donations in 2024. The Government funding we receive will cover the costs of all school day trips, inter-school sports events, Year 7/8 technicraft costs, Athletics, Write that Essay, Religious Education and performances. The funding will not cover the costs of overnight school camps, individual stationery and school uniform items. Optional sports activities that happen outside of school hours such as netball, hockey, basketball, touch etc. will remain user pays. Private music lessons will also remain user pays. We are grateful for the assistance this funding provides for our students and their families. If you have any questions please contact the School Office.



## BOT Meeting

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



## AIMS GAMES DISCO FUNDRAISER

Come join us for a school  
disco, fundraising for AIMS  
GAMES.

This will be held at the Good  
News Hall, Nawton on the  
2nd of March 2024, from  
6:00pm-8:30pm.

The theme will be NEON, so  
please come dressed like  
that.

The entry fee is \$10 for 1  
child, \$15 for a family of 2  
and \$20 for a family of 3.  
Drinks and snacks will also be  
sold. Tickets are available at  
the School Office



# Catholic Character Term 1

We are already in week 2 and we are off to a good start to the year. Our student Liturgy Team and our SHINE Group have been established for 2024.

Yesterday we celebrated Ash Wednesday with a liturgy lead by our senior students. As is the tradition ashes were placed on our foreheads to remind us of the importance of leading a godly life. The students were reminded that Lent is a time for almsgiving, fasting and prayer.

Classes will begin to work through the Caritas/Lent unit with teachers. This also includes Lent. Below is the general overview:

The Time is Now! Ko Tēnei tonu te Wā! Is the focus for the Caritas 2024 Lenten resources. The obvious question that follows this call for action is, "Time for what?" There are many answers to this question, and these form some of the key messages and focuses for these resources. As we focus on the three pillars of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving during Lent, we naturally connect with God and look to serve others. It is indeed time to renew our relationship with God and to consider practical ways we can be bearers of God's love to those around us. Many of the Gospel stories in this year's resources include a call to action. The Greek word for time that is used here is "Kairos," meaning opportunity to act. It is God's appointed time to act. As Pope Francis says, "Our life is made of time and time is God's gift, and it is therefore important to make use of it by performing good and fruitful actions."

In Ecclesiastes 3:1 it says, "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens." In these resources, each of the weeks during Lent has its own sub-theme or focus, reminding us of what it is time for. In a way, these all answer the initial question: "Time for what?"

## **Time for Preparation Te Wā mō te Takatū**

We begin in the desert with Jesus and His 40 days of preparation in the lead up to Easter. We are reminded of the importance of preparation through a Caritas story from Kiribati involving climate change and the work of Health Champions.

## **Time for Encounter Te Wā mō te Tūtaki**

The transfiguration of Jesus in the second week and the experiences of Solomon Island instructors and students at Rural Training Centres remind us that now is the time for encounter.

## **Time for Justice Te Wā mō te Tika**

We see Jesus overturning tables in the market in his drive for justice. The Caritas story highlights the work of the global Caritas network to bring justice after emergencies like flooding in Pakistan.

## **Time for Love Te Wā mō te Tūtaki**

In the fourth week, Jesus explains to Nicodemus about God's love. We also meet Mana Gertrudes from Timor Leste who serves as an inspiring example of love in action.

## **Time for Sacrifice Te Wā mō te Whakahere**

Jesus tells a crowd about His upcoming sacrifice and leaves a challenge about sacrifice and serving Him. We also meet the Phea family from Cambodia and see how their sacrifices have brought them to where they are today.

## **Time for Hope Te Wā mō te Tūmanako**

We finish off during Holy Week with Jesus entering Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and the excitement and hope of the crowd. The final Caritas story is about Bridgith from Papua New Guinea, who reminds us about the importance of hope in our lives.

The **SHINE** (Students Helping others In Need) group is already underway. This is a large group so I am still working out the logistics of how this will work. This is a service group that works within our local community. Year 5-8 are invited to join. Last year the group gathered goods for the Refugees that come in through the Red Cross and they visited the elderly in Awatere and Alandale. Both organisations have asked for the students' support again. Also, once a term they are asked to serve morning tea to the parishioners after a Tuesday Mass.

**Full School Masses** continue to be every Thursday with the new time of **10:15am** and you are always welcome to attend any of these Masses with your children. Once a Term there is a school parish mass on Saturday at 5:30pm.

Later this term we will have **Solidarity Day**, a day we go without, a day we remember all those millions of people who are without food or shelter.

We hope you all have a great term and may God Bless you and give you hope and strength for all of life's challenges during 2024.

Natalie Steens, DRS



## 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.

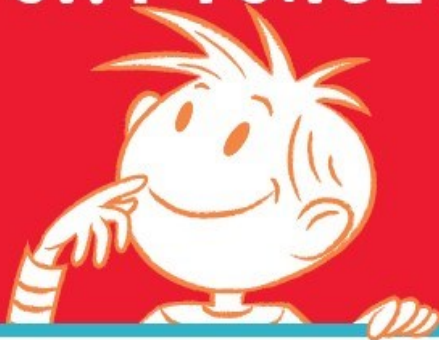


## Lost Property

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.



# DON'T FORGET!



 SCHOLASTIC

## Book Club

orders are due:

*Friday 23rd February*

*Issue 1*

## 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)

## 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

Website: holycross.cdh.org.nz

## KID'S SPEAK OUT!



No Confidence – Got raw energy - Hates School speeches – Bullied?

**CLASSES After School:** Kids find their voice, confidence & real-life skills

**LEADER Certificate:** Gain leadership skills/ Certificate - Years 8 + and Y11+

**LEADER Holiday Course:** 1-4 days; Kids have raved + Certificate; Age 10+

[www.speak4success.co.nz](http://www.speak4success.co.nz)

Ring: Roz 027 248 2888

## 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 uniform 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 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](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.

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## 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**



## School Dates 2024

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



# MUSIC LESSONS

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# SPORT

2024 St Peter Chanel Sports Club Newsletter Term 1 Week 2

## BASKETBALL

SPC Kobe played their first game against Te Rapa on Wednesday. What an amazing first game for the year! Final score was 28-6. Some amazing shots, great team work and some good defensive skills. Awesome first game. Can't wait to see the progress over the Term! Thanks to coach Ryan for offering your time. Player of the Day went to Brooklan Elliott. Well done everyone!

## 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)

For more information please contact Sarie, [sports@spc.ac.nz](mailto:sports@spc.ac.nz)

## UPCOMING SPORTING EVENTS

- ✓ Waipa Run Run: Cambridge, 3 March 2024  
<https://www.waipafunrun.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/>

## SPC SPORTS SPONSORS

A massive *THANK YOU* to all of our wonderful sports sponsors! Your kindness and generosity mean so much to us and we truly appreciate you all. Thank you for helping make SPC sport outstanding!



# JUNIOR TOUGH GUY & GAL CHALLENGE

Do you love mud? Then this one's for you! The Junior Tough Guy & Gal is an extreme off-road running event.

We have booked **30** slots for our school team on **Wednesday, 21 June**. To find out more information, go to

<https://eventpromotions.co.nz/junior-tough-guy-and-gal-challenge/>



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

We are also looking for **one parent to be in charge on the day**, just to put up the gazebo and hand out running bibs. If you can help, please contact Sarie at [sports@spc.ac.nz](mailto:sports@spc.ac.nz)



## KIWIVOLLEY LEAGUE TERM 1 2024

The Kivivolley League provides an opportunity for our primary and intermediate athletes to improve their volleyball skills in a fun environment.

### → GRADES

There are two grades:

- Year 5/6 Mixed
- Year 7/8 Mixed

### → LOCATION

The Peak  
60 Kimbrae Drive, Rototuna

### → DATES

Week 1: Wednesday 20th March  
Week 2: Wednesday 27th March  
Week 3: Wednesday 3rd April  
Week 4: Wednesday 10th April

### → COST

\$100/team.  
Each team will play 2 games and 1 duty per night.



SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER!



[kiwivolley@volleyballwaikato.org.nz](mailto:kiwivolley@volleyballwaikato.org.nz)



[volleyballwaikato.org.nz/kiwivolley](http://volleyballwaikato.org.nz/kiwivolley)

# TERM 1 SKILL SESSIONS

WWW.NETBALLHAMILTON.ORG.NZ



Kia ora,

We're super excited to offer our 2024 Term 1 HCNC Poipoia te Manawa Skill Sessions!

This program runs every Tuesday for 6 weeks.

Start date: 20th February 2024

Finish date: 26th March 2024

Year 3-4 & Year 5-6: 4:00pm-5:00pm (6 Weeks)

Year 7-8: 5:30pm-7:00pm (6 Weeks)

U14 & U16: 5:30pm-7:30pm (6 Weeks)

Please visit our website for more information and to register: <https://netballhamilton.org.nz/poipoia-te-manawa>

Contact Aoife at [junior@netballhamilton.org.nz](mailto:junior@netballhamilton.org.nz) if you have any issues/questions

**Aoife Fyall**

**Junior Co-ordinator**

07 847 4007

[junior@netballhamilton.org.nz](mailto:junior@netballhamilton.org.nz)



# WAIKATO BOP SCHOOLS XC MTB CHAMPS 2024

Sponsored by Evans Doyle Accounts + Advisors

Track suitable for all abilities - Open from Year 5 - Year 13  
Enter through your school by Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March  
*NEW FOR THIS YEAR - TEAM RELAYS*

## Thursday 14 March Te Miro MTB Park

Please email  
[temiromtbevents@gmail.com](mailto:temiromtbevents@gmail.com)  
for any queries

Food and drink available - please bring cash



**Evans Doyle**  
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For more information, please read the Event Manual on the Te Miro MTB Club website

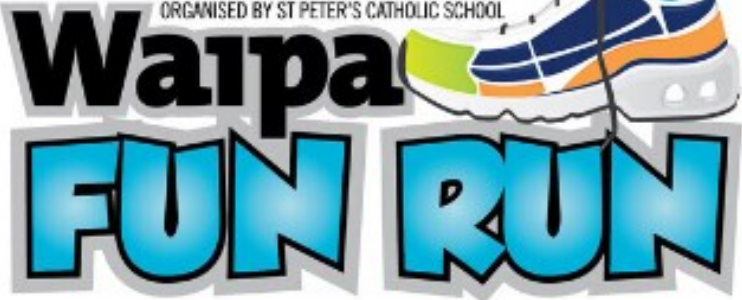
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# SUNDAY 3RD MARCH 2024

VICTORIA SQUARE, CAMBRIDGE - 9AM

## There is something for everyone!

Set in the heart of Cambridge, Waipa Fun Run is a great family event, held on the Town Square and offers courses for keen **runners** and **walkers**, plus **families** that just want to stroll the course.

Whether you want to walk or run, we've got something for everyone.  
2km School Challenge, Teams Challenge and the 5km and 10km walk or run events.



Open to all ages -  
10km walk or run



Open to all ages -  
5km walk or run



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## Contact

Donna Warwick  
St Peter's Catholic School, 22 Anzac Street, Cambridge  
Monday - Friday 9.00am - 3.00pm

P. 07 827 6623  
E. [funrun@stpeterscatholic.school.nz](mailto:funrun@stpeterscatholic.school.nz)



For more information, go to <https://www.waipafunrun.co.nz/>