



St Peter Chanel Catholic School

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Newsletter

5th December 2024



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John the Baptist prepares the way for Jesus. We are called to make our hearts ready for Christ's coming.

This week's Bible Quote

2nd Sunday of Advent

"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths.

Luke 3: 4

Important Dates

December

Fri 6th	Year 4 Campers Return
Sun 8th	Weetbix Triathlon
Tues 10	SHINE Morning Tea for Parish
Wed 11th	Year 8 Waimarino
Fri 13th	Year 8 Retreat
	Year 8 Social
Wed 18th	Junior Christmas Liturgy 10.30am
Thurs 19th	School Mass 10am
	Year 8 Leaving Ceremony
	Year 8 Prizegiving
1.30PM Fri 20th	School closes for 2024 @ 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

School Kit

School Kit is a business that makes teaching resources for schools. They have arranged 50 Nestle fundraiser boxes for schools, and we were lucky enough to be chosen as a recipient.

The box is packed full of well-known brands including Maggi, Cheerios, Milo, Nescafe, TUX and even all the ingredients for the classic Kiwi Dip. Note: there is no chocolate.

Raffle tickets are on sale at the school office - \$2.00 a ticket. Funds will go towards the purchase of the new school van.



Classes 2025

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 2025, they are asked to put them in writing and give them to the Principal, nickq@spc.ac.nz. **The close-off date tomorrow Friday 6th December.** All correspondence is treated in confidence. Please understand that we cannot accommodate all requests due to the numbers and the way the school is organised.

Class lists will be posted on the school's noticeboard and website on Tuesday 29th January 2025.

We have already had many inquiries from people wanting to enrol their children for next year. If you intend to move your child out of the school at the end of the year please advise the school office at admin@spc.ac.nz so we can determine whether we have the space for new enrolments.

PLANNING



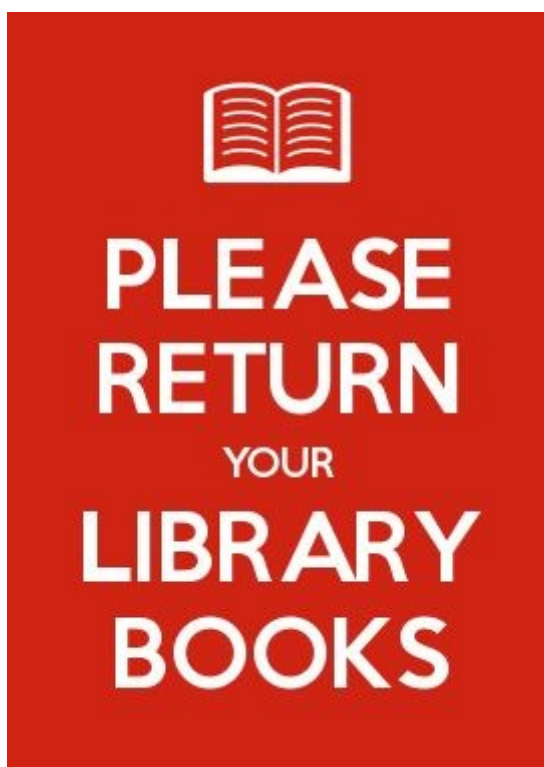
Building Update

The construction of the multi-purpose building (replacement hall) will begin in early January. iLine Construction is the contracted builder. We look forward to our continued working relationship with them, as they recently completed the Room 6 and 7 upgrade.



Library Books Returned

Could you please make sure your children's library books are returned to the school library ASAP, so the stock take can begin. Thank you.



School Spirit Cup

This week's recipients of the School Spirit Cup was Dianne Urrea. Last Tuesday, Dianne stayed back from technicraft and accompanied the Year 5 and 6 SHINE Group on their visit to Awatere Retirement Care Home.

Dianne, served as the pianist as the group sang Christmas carols to the elderly.

Her willingness to give her time and share her expertise was appreciated.



Sausage Sizzle Friday!



\$3 each
Or
2 for \$5

**ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN IN CLASS
ON FRIDAY MORNING**

This weeks sausage sizzle is proudly sponsored by

Contact Laura Monahan

07 958 7479

McCaw Lewis

GOOD PEOPLE. GREAT LAWYERS.

laura.monahan@mccawlewis.co.nz



All funds generated from the
sausage sizzle go towards the
purchase of a new SPC Van!



Please contact Fiona from the PTFA if you'd like to sponsor a Friday Sausage Sizzle
fiona_54@hotmail.com

Nits

There has been an outbreak of head lice in the school, and your child may have contracted the condition. We are asking that all parents examine their child's hair for signs of lice infestation. The lice themselves are often hard to find because they move around on the head. Therefore, you should be looking for the eggs or nits. These appear as tiny silvery white specks attached to the hair shaft near the scalp. Dandruff and hair-spray may look similar but these are easily brushed away, the eggs are not. Other signs of lice infestation may be a red rash and scratch marks on the scalp, nape of the neck or behind the ears. If your child has contracted head lice do not be alarmed. Although the condition is unpleasant, it is easily treated with specialist treatment which is available from your local chemist. Any articles which may harbour lice such as clothes, towels and bed linen should be washed in hot water and detergent. Combs and brushes should also be washed in hot soapy water.

As head lice are highly contagious it is suggested that you examine and treat all members of the family at the same time.

For more information of other lotions and shampoos see your local chemist.

Head lice can happen to anyone. It doesn't matter whether your hair is curly or straight, long or short, blond or brunette. And contrary to popular belief lice prefer clean rather than dirty hair. If your child has head lice please keep them home until they have been treated.

Drum Tuition 2025

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 \$30.00 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.

Phone or Text

Malcolm Boyd on

021-152-3747



Mass Times

St Peter Chanel

Tuesday 10.15am Thursday 10.15am

Saturday 5.00pm

St Joseph's

Wednesday 10.15am Friday 10.15am

Sunday 9.00am

St Columba

Tuesday to Saturday 9.00am

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:

Office & Residence: 86 Clarkin Rd

Hamilton, 3214 Ph: 07 855 6214

Email: parishhc@cdh.org.nz



Parish Office Hours

Wednesday 9.00am to 12.00am

Thursday 9.00am to 4.00pm

Friday 1.00pm to 4.00pm

Term Dates 2025

Term 1

Friday 7th February - Friday 11th April
Easter & Anzac Day fall in the School
Holidays

Good Friday 18th April

Easter Sunday 20th April

Easter Monday 21st April

Anzac Day Friday 25th April

Term 2

Monday 28th April– Friday 27th June

Monday 3rd June Kings Birthday

Friday 20th June Matariki

Term 3

Monday 14th July-Friday 19th

September

Term 4

Monday 6th October-Friday 19th

December

Monday 27th October Labour Day



Food for Faith

FOOD FOR FAITH for Advent. Sign up at www.foodforfaith.org.nz to prepare for Christmas receiving daily email encouragements from Fr. John O'Connor's Food For Faith website.

Emergency Contact Details

It is essential for contact parents/caregivers 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



EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Absences

If your child is away 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

A newsletter will be produced every THURSDAY.

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

www.spc.ac.nz/parents/newsletters

The newsletter will be emailed to all caregivers 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

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



SPORT

2024 St Peter Chanel Sports Club Newsletter Term 4 Week 8

SPORT REGISTRATIONS FOR TERM 1 CLOSE SUNDAY!

Term 4 teams automatically roll over into Term 1, except Yr 8's.

IF YOUR CHILD IS CURRENTLY ON A TEAM...

...and wants to play next Term, you do nothing. It's sorted!

...and doesn't want to play next Term, email sports@spc.ac.nz to advise player withdrawal by this Sunday.

IF YOUR CHILD IS NOT CURRENTLY ON A TEAM...

...we're offering basketball Yr 1-8, spring netball Yr 3-8, splash polo Yr 3-6, touch Yr 1-8, water polo Yr 7-8 and futsal Yr 7-8. [Register here](#).

Registrations close THIS SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER.

SPORT PARENT LEADS

AIMS Games - Miha Brown, spcsecretary2020@gmail.com

Basketball - Miha Brown, spcsecretary2020@gmail.com

Futsal - Stephanie Martin, sparry@hotmail.co.nz

Gymnastics - Sandra Elliott-Brown, spcsecretary2020@gmail.com

Netball - Miha Brown, spcsecretary2020@gmail.com

Splash Polo - Sandra Elliott-Brown, spcsecretary2020@gmail.com

Touch - Miha Brown, spcsecretary2020@gmail.com

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

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

TERM 4 SPORTS FEES ARE DUE BEFORE 20 DECEMBER

Thank you to everyone who is playing and supporting sport at SPC this Term. All sports fees for Term 4, except water polo, were emailed during October and are overdue for payment.

Please pay your sports fees before the end of this Term so your child is eligible to play sports next year. Thanks. Go sports!!!

TOUCH

Yr 3 Leopards finished the touch module with a game against Whitiora. Our team has been challenged this season as we tightened up refereeing and increased our knowledge of the game. We have been proud of their determination as they proved great representatives for our school!

Player of the Day this week goes to Theo Watson for a great on-field attitude and not giving up chasing down his opponents on defence.



The Year 7/8 team played in the finals for 3rd or 4th position in the A Pool this week. We played Peachgrove Highflyers again - this time in 25° heat! Was an awesome game and we could see the whole season this team has just shown progression and improvement game after game! We won 7-6 and came 3rd overall in our pool! Massive achievement team!

All these kids played amazing and showed some amazing fair-play, sportsmanship and always having positive attitudes throughout the Term! Thanks so much to our Coach Brett Beagley! You have done an awesome job this year with this team! Joey and Ben B will be missed next year - thanks for an awesome Term, boys! Well done SPC Cheetahs! You are all superstars!!

Last week we had our final game for the Year 5/6 touch Panthers team. Was an awesome game against Hamilton West. Every game this team has again shown some amazing progression in their game! The whole season this team have showed some amazing fair-play and positive attitudes, they have worked well as a team and listened well. We have seen some awesome trys scored and some great touches! Well done team! You are all amazing!! Player of the Day went to the whole team for the last game!! Thanks heaps to our Coach Quintin Henderson! You have done an amazing job with this team and been an awesome coach!

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR 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!



SPLASH POLO

Our SPC Flippers finished their season over the weekend with an amazing win to finish off the season. Hazel and Sariyah were our amazing shooters for the season, Lucy, Emmerson and Isagani were defensive machines. Arwen was a great all-rounder with sharing both defence and attacking positions. Ewan was a great leader in sharing his expertise and amazing swimming skills. Shaan was our amazing goalie with super saves throughout the season. We had so much fun learning a new sport.



If you are interested in splash polo we would love for you to join our team for Term 1. We have some players going on to play water polo.

Games are played on a Sunday. Join us!

BASKETBALL

This is the first year we have had a Yr 5/6 basketball team - but you wouldn't know it! This team has been hot from the start!! We have won 4 out of 6 games this season! Our game last week was against Southwell Blue - it was a strong game with both teams playing so well. We won 31-28.



This team has shown some amazing growth all Term! And we have some little superstar ballers in the team! Once again this team has been all about sportsmanship and making sure everyone has a good game - gets the ball and has a chance at shooting! Very proud of this awesome team! Players of the Day for this game went to Jack and Tiāre.

This Tuesday, our Yr 7/8 Shaq basketball team played against the Saints Green team. We managed to make a decent lead, making the first two points. However, our main rebounder, Joey (65), who worked in tandem with Ben (54), was still coming off of surgery. We suffered many shots. We kept moving on and, in the end, we came up short 20-22. We thank all of you for your support this year, including our coaches and sponsors.
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