



# St Peter Chanel Catholic School

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## Newsletter

27th February 2025



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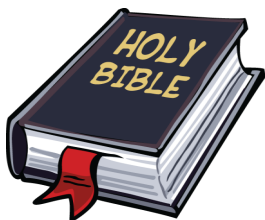
Jesus teaches that we must address our own faults before correcting others.

### This week's Bible Quote

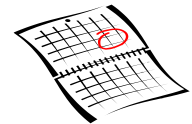
#### 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time

'Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?'

Luke 6: 41



### Important Dates February 2025



Thurs 27th Yr 5/6 Waterworld Sports Registration Open

Fri 28th Crazy Hair Day

### March 2025

Mon 3rd Yr 7/8 Waterworld

Tues 4th Yr 5/6 Waterworld

Wed 5th Ash Wednesday– School Mass 10.15am  
Yr 7/8 Waterworld  
Yr 5/6 Waterworld

Thurs 6th

Mon 10th Yr 7/8 Waterworld

Yr 4 Waterworld

Tues 11th Yr 5/6 Waterworld

Wed 12th SPC Swimming Sports

Fri 14th Sausage Sizzle  
JUNIOR SWIMMING DISPLAY

Mon 17th HPV Dose Yr 7/8

Tue 18th TWILIGHT SPORTS

Thurs 20th CIS SWIM SPORTS

### 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

## Crazy Hair Day Tomorrow



## Ash Wednesday (Next Week)

### 5th March

The school will be attending 10.15 am. Mass. Parents and parishioners are welcome to join us.

Ashes will be placed in the sign of the cross on each child's forehead. The teachers prepare the children about the ritual and the purpose of Lent. Ash Wednesday signals the beginning of the season of Lent, a time for reflection and preparation before the celebration of Easter. By observing the 40 days of Lent, we replicate Jesus' sacrifice and withdrawal into the desert for 40 days.



## SPC Swimming Sports

### Wednesday 12th March

Years 4 - 8

To be held at Waterworld

All Year 4 - 8 students will leave from school at 9.00 am.

Parent helpers are needed to assist with the judging and marshalling so if you can help, please advise the school office.

Parents or friends willing to swim in the parent relay team, please advise the school office.

Please note that Waterworld charges spectators a \$2.00 admission fee.

Please email [admin@spc.ac.nz](mailto:admin@spc.ac.nz) if you can assist.



## Sausage Sizzle Friday 14th March

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The Friday Sausage Sizzle is back for 2025. Funds raised will go towards purchasing the new school van, due to be delivered in May, and to the playground refurbishment.

\$3.00 a sausage or 2 for \$5.00



## Junior Swimming Display

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**Friday 14th March** (note date change)

Our Junior School Swimming Display will be held on Friday 14th March. This event is held in the school pool. It is an opportunity for the junior students to show what they have learnt during their swimming lessons.

Room 12 1.10-1.30 pm

Room 11 1.30-1.50 pm

Room 10 1.50 –2.10 pm

Room 4 2.10- 2.30 pm

Room 6 & 7 2.30 -2.50 pm



## Catholic Swimming Sports

### Thursday 20th March

Our Year 7 and 8 students participate in this event, and our school is responsible for organising the meet. We need parents or past pupils support to act as timekeepers. A short training session will be held before the start of the event. If you can assist, please email us. [admin@spc.ac.nz](mailto:admin@spc.ac.nz)



## Twilight Sports

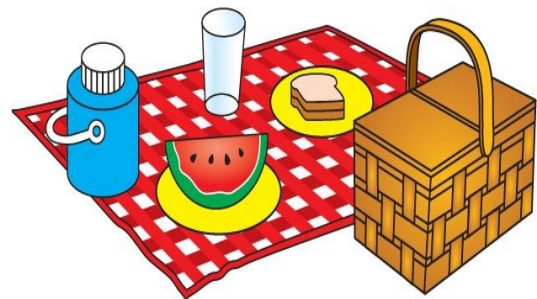
### Tuesday 18th March

**5.30 pm - 7.15 pm**

The evening is an annual event and the only school event we ask all families to attend. It is a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together and enjoy each other's company.

The programme begins with the traditional House march and then moves on to running and novelty races for all.

Families are encouraged to bring a picnic dinner and sit and enjoy the evening's entertainment. The PTFA is organising a sausage sizzle, a food truck, drinks and ice blocks.



## Rangiaowhia

Last week, the Year 7 & 8 St Peter Chanel School students went to the Rangiaowhia invasion commemoration. Rangiaowhia is now a beautiful farming area near Kihikihi. In the early days it was once a land where the Ngati Apahura people grew fruit trees, such as peaches, and wheat for flour. Both Anglican and Catholic missionaries settled there and built churches. British Troops invaded the peaceful, thriving village and killed many people, the Catholic church was burnt, and the village destroyed. This tragic event occurred on Sunday the 21st of February 1864. Every year the Catholic diocese and Ngati Apakura descendants organise a commemoration and liturgy, so the story can be shared and never be forgotten.

*By Makaia & Millie*



## Donation Scheme

As many of you may be aware the Government offered schools funding of \$150.00 per student for 2025, 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 2025. The Government funding we receive will cover the costs of all school day trips, inter-school sports events, Year 7/8 technicraft costs, Mathematics, 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.



## School Dates 2025

Term 1 – 7th February—11th April

Term 2 – 28th April—27th June

Term 3 – 14th July—19th September

Term 4 – 6th October– 19th December

Easter Friday 18th April (School Holidays)

Public Holidays – school closed

King's Birthday– 2nd June

Matariki – 20th June

(during term break)

Labour Day – Mon. 27th 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)

## Mass Times

### St Peter Chanel

Tuesday 10.15am

Thursday 10.15am

Saturday 5.00pm

### St Joseph's

Wednesday 10.15 am

Friday 10.15am

Saturday 9.00am

Sunday 9.00am

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Office & Residence:

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Ph: 07 855 6214

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

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

Office: St Joseph's 86 Clarkin Rd

Hours:

Wednesday 9.00-12.00

Thursday 9.00-4.00

Friday 2.00-4.00



## 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 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.

## Absences

If your child is away it is vital you contact the school office and let them know.

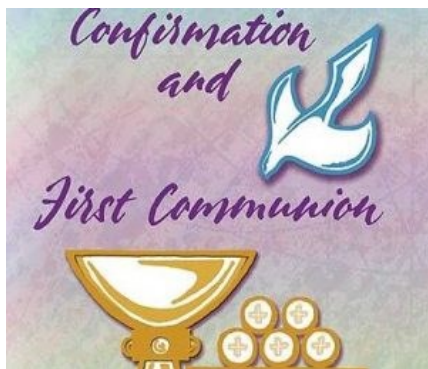
Email: [admin@spc.ac.nz](mailto:admin@spc.ac.nz) or text: 022 156 6171 or Ph. (07) 849 3734 and leave a message. Please give the reason for the absence as the Ministry of Education collects this data everyday.



## Sacramental Programme

The original dates have been altered due to Bishop Richard's availability.

Monday	Session
28th April	1
5th May	2
12th May	3
19th May	4
26th May	5
2nd June	Public Holiday
9th June	6
16th June	7
30th June	School Holidays
7th July	School Holidays
14th July	Reconciliation
20th July	Confirmation Communion



## 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)

## 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.



## For Sale

Key Board for sale, like brand new and well looked after.

Medeli M17

Keyboard alone retails for \$349 from music planet, plus seat and stand, all for \$200 ono. Please phone Anna if interested on 021301610



## 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.



## Drum Lessons 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 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.

**Phone or Text**

**Malcolm Boyd on**

**021-152-3747**





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# SPORT

2025 St Peter Chanel Sports Club Newsletter Term 1 Week 4

## TERM 2 SPORTS REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!

For Yrs 1-6 SPC is offering basketball and netball.

If your Yr 1-6 child is currently playing basketball and or netball for SPC then you do not need to register them again - they will automatically roll over to Term 2.

If you want to **withdraw your child from the team**, please email [sports@spc.ac.nz](mailto:sports@spc.ac.nz) before 30 March or you will be liable for Term 2 fees.

If your child is **not currently playing for SPC**, you may now register them for Term 2.

All Yr 7-8 students play for Saints United.

For more information click [here](#) to visit our school sports website. Registrations will close Sunday 30 March. *Go sport!!!*

## YR 7 & 8 SPORTS INFO

All Year 7 and 8 students will be playing for Saints United. Please read the information sheet towards the end of this newsletter which includes the registration links.



Shaq & Durant teams: I have checked with Saints United and you will both be able to continue to play in your teams - you just need to register with them and you'll be wearing their singlet. They may also be able to give you some extra players. Please make sure you read the info attached and then do your registration.

## VACANCY - NETBALL PARENT LEAD

We are on the hunt for a new volunteer to be our netball parent lead, starting in Term 2. All training will be provided. For more information please contact Sarie, [sports@spc.ac.nz](mailto:sports@spc.ac.nz)

## NETBALL

SPC Galaxy were up for the challenge this week and learnt a lot from the game. They showed resilience and really worked to play like a team with a can-do attitude. Tilly was awarded Player of the Day with her amazing intercepts and Marnee played a great game with a lot of grit. Thank you to Aleigha for umpiring the game. Well done team Galaxy.

# TOUCH

Week 1 of our touch term for our Panthers brought a lot of new learnings. Although the majority of these tamariki have played a lot of touch together, playing now on a full-size field has changed the dynamic of our gameplay.

Our tamariki were resolute on defence and showed lots of promise in attacking down the much bigger field. Our week 1 Player of the Day, Tilly Silverton, showed heart on defense and attacked hard and fast as we went down the field. Week 2 coming up and again we look for slight improvements each week and developing skills to enable us to enjoy this game of touch.

The Yr 3 PlumberMan SPC Leopards took on the Te Rapa Lions this week, and what a game it was! The entire team played with enthusiasm, fairness, and great sportsmanship, showing up excited and ready to give it their best.

For our first game back together, there was a lot of passing, big runs and 7 exceptional tries! A big congratulations to our Players of the Day, James Robinson and Harrison Kerr.

Harrison played his first-ever game of touch and jumped right in with confidence, getting involved and giving it his all. James made some outstanding breakaway runs, keeping the game fast and exciting.

Thanks to our sponsors PlumberMan! We appreciate your support!

Well done, Leopards! Keep up the great work - we can't wait for the next game against the Quinovic SPC Pumas!



## FUTSAL

Last Friday night was the first futsal game of the season, and the courts were truly buzzing with excitement!

After a quick pre-game talk with their coach, the SPC Falcons took to the court and set up. You could see they were more than ready for the whistle to blow, and when it did they were on, showcasing their speed, quick thinking and creative play in both attack and defense, and by working together and having fun they secured a win. Congratulations boys!



## SPLASH POLO

Amazing splash polo game last weekend with a win of 7-2. The team are developing each game. Well done to Jay who got Player of the Day for his awesome work as goalie.

*Go SPC Flippers!*



## 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!



## TERM 1 SPORTS FEES - NOW DUE

Thank you to everyone who is playing and supporting sport at SPC this Term. When you register your child for a sport you are committing to pay the sports fee. Invoices have been sent out. Please pay promptly. We have already paid all the teams' Club fees so our balance sheet is in the red! *Go sport!*



## SHOUT OUT TO ALL OUR SPORTS VOLUNTEERS!

We'd like to say a massive THANK YOU to all the parents that coach and/or help out with the sports teams. It's so cool to see all the trainings happening around after school. The place is absolutely buzzing with hype and enthusiastic kids. And it wouldn't be possible without all the help and support from all the parents!



## SPORT PARENT LEADS

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

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

Futsal - Stephanie Martin, [sparry@gmail.com](mailto:sparry@gmail.com)

Gymnastics - Sandra Elliott-Brown, [spcsecretary2020@gmail.com](mailto:spcsecretary2020@gmail.com)

Netball - Melissa Evelyn, [melissa.wards@gmail.com](mailto:melissa.wards@gmail.com)

Splash Polo - Sandra Elliott-Brown, [spcsecretary2020@gmail.com](mailto:spcsecretary2020@gmail.com)

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)



# Saints United

St Columbas, St Josephs, Marian, St Peter  
Chanel & St Pius Schools



## Sports for Year 7 & 8 Students in 2025

Saints United is a club set up by all the Hamilton Catholic Schools to insure your children can play a variety of sports. The main aim is for our children to have the chance to play and compete against the bigger Intermediate schools in the Waikato. Our aim is to also give our children the chance to play at their ability and hence a few sports will require trials. But no one will miss out! If you register to play on time, I will try my hardest to put your child in a team.

So far, we are getting great results for our children both in sporting achievement and socially. They are meeting lots of new children who they will then hopefully be going off to high school with soon.

Please take the time to register your child if they want to play any of the following sports in 2025:

**Netball** (term 2&3)

<https://enrolmy.com/saints-united/book-now/22-Saints-United-Netball-2025>

**Hockey** (term 2&3)

<https://enrolmy.com/saints-united/book-now/21-Saints-United-Hockey-2025>

**Term 2 Basketball**

<https://enrolmy.com/saints-united/book-now/24-Saints-United-Basketball---Term-2-2025>

**Hoodies**

<https://enrolmy.com/saints-united/book-now/23-Saints-United-Hoodie-2025>

If you would like to contact me (Philippa) I would prefer you email me on: [saints@stjosephs.school.nz](mailto:saints@stjosephs.school.nz)



*Saints United Sports Coordinator.*

*St Joseph's' Catholic School Fairfield.*

# JUNIOR TOUGH GUY & GAL CHALLENGE 2025!

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 **40** slots for our school team in Hamilton on **Wednesday, 11 June 2025**. 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, click on the following link [JTGG Registration](#) or visit our SPC website and select *Parents / Sports / Junior Tough Guy & Gal*, and complete the form. First in, first served!

We are also looking for **parents to be in charge on the day**, just to put up the gazebo and hand out running bibs. If you can help, please check the box on the registration form. Thanks!



## HAMILTON MARIST JNR

# RUGBY

**REGISTRATION & WEIGH-IN**

**SUN 2ND MAR - 12:00PM-3:00PM**  
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