

3rd April 2025

St Peter Chanel Catholic School

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Take care not to judge others, as we are all sinners.

Newsletter

This week's Bible Quote

5th Sunday of Lent

"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her".

John 8:7

Important Dates



April 2025

Fri 4th	CARITAS Casual Clothes Day
Tue 8th	Juniors visit St Andrews Library
Thurs 10	Easter Liturgy
Fri 11th	SPC Triathlon

Last Day of Term One school closes @ 3pm





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 Triathlon

The school triathlon is being held at Vardon Park on Friday 11th April, 2025 for all Year 3 – 8 students **who wish to participate.**

Competitors will need:

- Sports uniform
- Running shoes
- Bike and helmet
- Swimming gear
- Drink bottle

9.30am.

- Year 3/4
- Swimming: 2 lengths (28m)
- Biking: 1.0km (2 x laps of park)
- Running: 1km (2 x laps of park)

11.30am. (if numbers permit run both together)

- Year 5/6
- Swimming: 4 lengths (56m)
- Biking: 1.5km (3 x laps of park)
- Running: 1km (2 x laps of park)

1.45pm (run both together)

- Year 7/8
- Swimming: 6 lengths (84m)
- Biking: 2km (4 x laps of park)
- Running 1km (3 x laps of park



Teacher Only Day

The Minister of Education has advised that schools may have 2 teacher-only days to address the new maths and literacy programmes. SPC staff are joining other Catholic schools on Monday, 19th May and Friday, 15th August. The days will be facilitated by advisers from the Ministry of Education.



Myanmar Earthquake

The funds raised from Friday's Sausage Sizzle will be donated to the Mission Sisters (our school's founding order) to be handed directly to the Sisters working in Myanmar. A group of NZ sisters is joining a Church response team that will soon leave New Zealand. The team will be taking food and medical supplies.

If you or your children wish to donate, you can do so via internet banking to our school account with the reference: Myanmar, or cash can be handed into the office.



Casual Clothes Friday 4th April

Caritas, holds Casual Clothes Days during Lent, as a fundraising event where students pay to wear casual attire to school for the day. The event is organized to raise funds for Caritas' various projects, including Caritas Project Compassion, which aims to combat poverty and support those in need. The school is holding Casual Clothes Day tomorrow Friday the 4th April, students are asked to bring a gold coin donation on the day.

Casual Clothes Day



Sausage Sizzle this Friday

Friday 4th April

The Friday Sausage Sizzle is back for 2025. This weeks funds raised will go to the Missions Sisters helping in Myanmar after the earthquake. \$3.00 a sausage or 2 for \$5.00



Winter Uniform

From the beginning of Term 2, students may wear their winter uniform. The official changeover for all students to their winter uniform is Monday, 12th May.

Our uniform shop has most winter uniform items in stock, and we have a stock of 2nd hand uniforms. The school would welcome donations of any surplus uniform items to boost our pre-loved stock. Many families appreciate the opportunity to obtain good used clothing.

The uniform shop will be open from 10 am — 2 pm on Monday 14th April. (First Monday of the school holidays)



Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open on the first Monday (14th April) of the school holidays, for anyone who wishes to purchase uniform items for Term 2. The shop will be open from 10pm - 2.00 pm.

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



The Board of Trustees held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, 25th March. The business discussed included:

- The Principal's and Finance Reports
- End of 2024 Data 83.28% students achieving at or above in Maths. 80.84% achieving at or above in Reading. 72.47% achieving at or above in Writing.
- Approval of the school's Strategic Plan (replaces Charter). The plan is available on the school website for all those who are interested
- Approval of the school's Annual Implementation Plan, which is also available on the website
- Approval of the Analysis of Variance Report documentation for the auditor
- AIMs Games policy discussion. The Board supports the registration of Year 7/8 individuals and teams for 2025 under the guidelines outlined in the school policy
- School Van Policy in draft form
- Teacher Only Days the Minister of Education has advised that schools may have 2 teacher-only days to address the new maths and literacy programmes.
 SPC staff are joining other Catholic schools on Monday, 19th May and Friday, 15th August.
- Board went 'into committee' to discuss a parent's complaint about a student's behaviour

Board members: Derek Burrough (Presiding Chair), Philip Monahan, Marcus Hall, Bec Silverton, Joel Rowse, Father Raj, Jacquie Rozario, Daniella Connolly (staff rep.), Nick Quinn



Hamilton North West Interschool Swimming Sports

Yesterday, a keen and enthusiastic team of 19 swimmers from the middle and senior team proudly represented our school at the Hamilton North West Interschool Swimming Sports, with great success. Congratulations to all of the students who took part and to the parents who both helped and supported. We are still waiting for the confirmed places to come through but here are the unofficial results.

Open Boys medley: 1st Jesse Jepson 3rd Daexen Westleigh Open Girls medley: 3rd Tilly Silverton

9 year Girls freestyle: 3rd Ivy Patchett 10 year Boys freestyle: 3rd Levi Richards 10 year Girls freestyle: 3rd Tilly Silverton

8 year Boys backstroke: 3rd Caleb Jepson 8 year Girls backstroke: 1st Kayla Rowse 9 year Boys backstroke: 2nd Tīare Henderson 3rd Jake McPherson 10 year Boys backstroke: 3rd Jack Hepi

Open Boys freestyle:1st Jesse JepsonOpen Girls freestyle:3rd Lucy Chaimontree

Backstroke Open Boys: 3rd: Jack Hepi

8 year old relay: 2nd Mason Seward Caleb Jepson Islah Mills Kayla Rowse

9 year old relay: 3rd Jake McPherson Phoenix Stone Ivy Patchett Cassey Flores

Open relay: 2nd Daexen Westleigh Jesse Jepson Lucy Chaimontree Tilly Silverton We are still waiting to see what the overall placing for our school was, but with results like this, it will be worth the wait.



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

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 Raj Office & Residence: 86 Clarkin Rd Hamilton, 3214 Ph: 07 855 6214 Email: parishhc@cdh.org.nz Website: holycross.cdh.org.nz Office: St Joseph's 86 Clarkin Rd Hours:

Wednesday Thursday Friday 9.00-12.00 9.00-4.00 2.00-4.00



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) **Teacher Only Day 19th May** Public Holidays – school closed King's Birthday– 2nd June Matariki – 20th June (during term break) **Teacher Only Day Friday 15th August** Labour Day – Mon. 27th October



Absences

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

Email: <u>admin@spc.ac.nz</u> 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



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 contract the school office for enrolment contracts: admin@spc.ac.nz



Yummy Stickers

Yummy stickers

Our school is collecting yummy stickers from the apples or bags. Once you have got them, bring them to Room 8 or the office If you give the Yummy stickers to Mrs Murphy we will have credit to buy sport gear for our school.

By Nathan Rowse





St John's enrolments open online on Tuesday 8 April this year, and close on Wednesday 2 July. All enrolment information is on St John's website



