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TERM DATES

Term 1
Wed 2 Feb - Thu 14 Apr

Term 2
Mon 2 May - Fri 8 Jul

Term 3
Mon 25 Jul - Fri 30 Sep

EVENTS

Ambrose Golf Day
Sun 27 March



From the Principals Desk...

Kia Ora Koutou.

I often reflect on many aspects. As I sit here reflecting on how we are navigating our way through the current situation, working for the Common Good comes to my mind. The concept of Common Good means working for the good of all - **he painga mā te katoa**. Respecting the rights and responsibilities of all people. As you all know our personal actions have an impact on our wider community. As a Catholic School Community it is fundamental that we continue to work hard to promote the common good. In doing so, when we make decisions, we should choose to consider the good of all. No one should miss out on the opportunity to grow and fulfil their potential. Each and every person deserves to have what they need to flourish and be safe. Once again I say thank you for your support, communication and common sense approach currently and am proud to see us working for the common good as a community.

Covid update: This week we have been averaging 35 children away each day. We currently have 12 children isolating as Household Contacts and 6 active cases of covid. We also have other illnesses not linked to covid. I continue to be thankful of the communication I am receiving from whanau isolating. We continue to ask you to keep children home if they are unwell, as parents wear

masks while onsite at school, sanitise and ventilate spaces as much as you can.

I will update you with any further information relating to the recent mandate changes, vaccine passes and gatherings as soon as I receive confirmed details from the Ministry of Education.

Sacramental Programmes: Please read Jodie's details relating to children registering for the New Plymouth Parishes Sacramental programme. If you have registered earlier my advice is to register again as there are new personnel who may have missed prior registrations.

Thank you: I want to pass on my thanks to all parents who this term have coached or supported our children during the cricket season. I am very grateful for your support and in taking this role on allowing our children to be a part of a team and experience team sport, learn new skills and develop resilience. Thank you.

Thank you: The staff and I would like to pass on our thanks for supporting our Teacher Only Day on Friday. Working with Dr Christine Braid from Massey University was incredibly informative and inspiring. Our focus was unpacking a scope and sequence when teaching basic fundamentals or writing. Dr Braid is back onsite Tuesday working with our

children and modeling processes to our staff.

Congratulations: Congratulations to all children who will be taking part in their final games of cricket this weekend. We have been fortunate to be in a position for our cricket season to go ahead. I am really proud of all the children who joined an SJB team this year. **A special congratulations to our SJB Bruce's. They have qualified top of their pool in the Div 2 Super Smash competition and will play Vogeltown Primary in a top of the table finals clash. All the best team, enjoy the occasion and play hard.**

Golf Day Sponsors: I want to once again pass on my thanks to the following businesses for their support of our SJB Ambrose Golf Day. I truly do value your support. Our major fundraiser is going to be another great day. **Thank you also to Taranaki Steelformers and the Back whanau who are our 2022 Major sponsor.** We have 26 teams registered to play this weekend. Thank you also to our Community Group who have been working hard behind the scenes to keep this event going.



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THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION MARCH 2022 A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges:

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD 25th March

The Annunciation of the Lord celebrates the appearance of the Angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary to announce the impending birth of Christ. Mary does not understand the announcement but has faith and accepts God's trust in her and the difficult journey ahead. How often do we need to have faith and trust even though we may not completely understand? The Church recognises Mary's courage in this feast.



3rd Week of Lent 2022: 'Called to be Peacemakers':

This week the CARITAS theme is **'Waiting in hope - Te Tatari i roto i te Tūmanako'** and we are asked to remember those who have been affected by wars. The countries of Ukraine and Russia are of course in the front of our minds at the moment, but we also need to remember there are wars happening in many places around the world. This week Caritas and Pope Francis would like us to remember the people in the Holy Land and in the Holy City, where war has been happening for many many years. Do you know what is happening in Israel, Gaza and the West Bank?

Later this year, Catholic schools around New Zealand will take part in **Mufti Mania** and support a school in the Holy Land. Find out more [here](#).

MuftiMania

Prayer for Ukraine

Lord, oh the Great and Almighty,
Protect our beloved Ukraine,
Bless her with freedom and light
of your holy rays.

With learning and knowledge enlighten
us, your children small,
In love pure and everlasting.
Let us, oh Lord, grow.

We pray, oh Lord Almighty,
protect our beloved Ukraine.
Grant our people and country
All your kindness and grace.

Bless us with freedom, bless us with wisdom,
Guide us into a kind world,
Bless us, oh Lord, with good fortune
Forever and evermore.

However, this Friday on the Annunciation of our Lord, Pope Francis has asked us to pray especially for the people of Ukraine. **"Prayer for Ukraine"** is a hymn composed in 1885, during a time when Ukrainian language was suppressed by the government of Imperial Russia. The text is by poet Oleksandr Konynsky and the music by composer Mykola Lysenko. It is used as a hymn by the various churches in Ukraine, including the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church and the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, and became a spiritual anthem for Ukraine.

This is a translation of the lyrics. The hymn can be heard at this link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XxcNuaH4qrY&t=1s>

Check out the simple actions outlined in the Action Plan for this week. Take the challenge to complete some of these.

PRAY INOI	LIVE NOHOIA I TE AO	DO ME PĒNEI	FIND KIMIHI	CREATE WAIHANGATIA
Take time just to sit and listen and spend time with God.	Follow St Teresa of Calcutta's wise words: 'A life not lived for others is not a life.'	Every day this week choose your words wisely to bring joy and hope to others.	Find out more about recent events in the Holy Land by searching the Internet.	Make a space in your class or your room at home and display quotes of hope and inspiration.

Here are some Week 3 activities you could do at home. If you would like more ideas, click on this link and explore the Caritas website. [Caritas: Lent 2022.](#)

In week 10, we will be completing a Caritas Lenten Challenge at school. More information about this will come out early next week.

IMPORTANT: First Reconciliation / Holy Communion 2022:

If you are planning for your child to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation / First Communion this year, please read the message from our Young Families Minister below. As there has been a change of personnel in our Parish Office, we suggest you re-register your child, even if you thought you did this last year, to ensure that she has your child's registration on file.

Reconciliation and First Communion Programme 2022 Registration Form

The Catholic Parish of New Plymouth is now taking registrations for these Sacramental programmes. While we have not set firm dates due to the disruption that Covid is causing in our school communities, we are hoping to deliver the Reconciliation programme in term two. If you have children who are seven years or older who you wish to register for these programmes can you please fill in the online form that is attached in the link below. Please have these registrations in **by 14th April** – which is the last day of term one. We also require a copy of your child's Baptism certificate. This can be scanned and emailed to youngfamilyminister@catholicparishnp.nz or dropped into the parish office. Please email me if you have any further questions before completing the form. I am looking forward to guiding your child on the next step in their faith journey. God Bless you and your families always. Karen Maclean – Young Families Minister <https://forms.gle/qAFvp6gb4WxiS8a87>

Our School Core Values

Love

Resilience

Co-operation

Service



In Nga Kakano we have been learning about Jesus and how he lived his life. We had a dress up day where we dressed like Jesus and then created some pictures of what Jesus would have worn; a girdle, tunic, mantle and sandals.



JESUS

His Only Son, Our Lord

HEHU KARAITI



*Jesus is my friend and role model.
We see him in creation, others and ourselves
and we try to be like him every day.
Jesus in our hearts forever.*

Class Mass

Attending Mass is important for supporting the RE program in classrooms. We invite and encourage you to attend these Masses where possible. However, the 100 person limit, vaccine passes, masks, hand sanitising and social distancing practises apply as outlined in the church foyer and [NP Catholic Parish Website](https://www.npcatholicparish.org.nz/).

Week 9	Wednesday 30th March	Rimu & Karaka
Week 10	Wednesday 6th April	Kawakawa, Koromiko, Puriri
Week 11	Wednesday 13th April	Totara / Kauri

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DRAMA

Stage Centre is New Plymouth's longest running drama school for children. We are excited to be starting two brand new classes for 6 - 8yrs and 9-12 yr olds in term 2. This is a fantastic opportunity for any students interested in drama or the performing arts.

I would love to hear from you.

Please contact Loren on 021 02855256 or loren.stagecentrenp@gmail.com



JUNIOR RUGBY

JUNIOR REGISTRATIONS CAN BE COMPLETED ONLINE AT
WWW.SPORTY.CO.NZ/VIEWFORM/176223

The season will start in Term 2.
Team shorts and socks can be purchased from Kingsway Menswear.

Grade	Year of birth	Weight limit
U6	2016/2017	None
U7	2015	None
U8	2014	40kgs
U9	2013	45kgs
U10	2012	50kgs
U11	2011	55kgs
U11 RESTRICTED	2009/2010	55kgs
U11 OPEN	2009/2010	None

For more information contact:
Darryn Jones | Tukapa Junior Rugby Convenor Mobile 027 801 1729

If unable to register online there will be a registration day Wednesday 23 March 3.30pm-5.30pm



TARANAKI DARTS
JUNIORS AND YOUTHS

MUSTER NIGHT

Friday April 1st 2022 @ 6:30pm
WAIMEA BOWLING CLUB

AGES 9 - 17

\$3 ENTRY FEE

Darts is a unique activity where both skill and mathematical ability are required. We are starting up a Juniors and Youths section at our club to not only help teach the aspects of darts, but also help out with the maths required.

If you do not have any equipment, we will have some you can use on the night. So why not bring a friend and come and see what it is all about.

Bell Block Rugby Club

Muster Days 27th March and 2nd April
2-3pm both days please register your
interest at sporty.co.nz for the
upcoming season.

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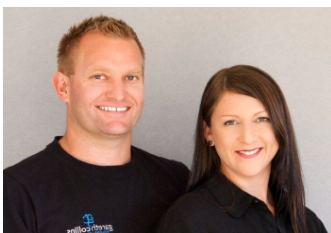
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