



# POMPALLIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



### OUR VISION

To grow Christ-centred individuals who are inspired to be passionate, connected, life-long learners.

### OUR MISSION

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Atawhai  
Mercy



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Aroha  
Love

### Special points of interest:



- Teacher Only Day Friday 3rd June
- Marcellin Day - wear yellow Wednesday 8th June
- Book in your conference session on Skool Loop or give Maree a call in the office.
- Mid year reports live on Seesaw Monday 27th June
- 3 way conferencing with no usual classes Wednesday 29th June. Teachers will be meeting with whanau

### Greetings, Kia Ora, Talofa, Bula Vinaka, Konnichi wa, Dobrodošli, Sawa dee, Failte

We are almost halfway through term two and have had great opportunities to connect as school, whanau and parish. Our first being our Whanau hui and then Family Mass. It is so nice to hear our tamariki excited to share their learning with you at the Whanau hui. Thank you for keeping whanaungatanga at the forefront! Working together nurtures the relationship between learning and wellbeing. It was so nice to see our whanau at Family Mass and be able to celebrate Father Larry's birthday too! Thank you for supporting the faith journey of your child. Further in the newsletter you will see photos of our Father Patrick Littlewood Award which went to our wonderful altar servers Devante, Ryan and Rihari. They are truly dedicated to their roles in the church and school and it was lovely to present this during Family Mass.

### THREE WAY CONFERENCES

As we head to the end of the term, we meet again for our three way conferences on **Wednesday 29th June**. Please note that our usual classroom lessons will not be happening as teachers meet with whanau throughout the day. You will find bookings on the Skool Loop app. Choose the teacher name and then select your preferred time. These meetings will be focussed on the mid-year report which will be published on Monday 27th June on Seesaw. As we discussed at our whanau hui, all learning posted on Seesaw is linked to the midterm report. Keep interacting with your child's Seesaw learning so you can share in their achievements too. If you are having trouble connecting let us know.

### Professional Development

As the term progresses you will see your child/ren's teachers out for days for release or professional development. This is an important part of our kaupapa at school to keep our teachers up to date with initiatives that fit with our school goals.

- Manaiakalani - focus on deeper thinking, using a range of text types such as books, videos, articles, documentaries.
- Kahui Ako - local curriculum development
- NZ Histories Curriculum - linking to our local curriculum development
- Positive Behaviour for Learning - building on our values and systems

Teachers are also gathering learning evidence for the reports consisting of group work, whole class and individual learning. See the posts on Seesaw for examples of learning shared.

### LEADERSHIP

It has been great to see our year 7 and 8 students heading out to educational experiences outside the classroom. Facebook has been a platform for you to see students leading in areas such as music, careers with the Navy, Science with the Geocamp, Mana Oho for the year 8 boys, Rugby Academy for year 7&8's, Ripa for year 5&6 and the Cenotaph to finish up learning about Anzac. It is really helpful to our students to have authentic learning opportunities. A huge thanks to our teachers for the paperwork that sits behind these adventures, and our whanau helpers too! It is a village approach that brings great experiences to our tamariki. Check out our recent Matariki art rotations too.

God bless

Kathryn Carey (Principal)

# DRS COLUMN

One of the next celebrations in our Church is Pentecost, one of the most important feast days of the year that concludes the Easter season and celebrates the beginning of the Church. The Catholic News Agency shares some facts with us about these feast days:

Here's what you need to know about the feast day:

## ***The timing and origins of Pentecost***

Pentecost always occurs 50 days after the death and resurrection of Jesus, and ten days after his ascension into heaven. Because Easter is a moveable feast without a fixed date, and Pentecost depends on the timing of Easter, Pentecost can fall anywhere between May 10 and June 13.

The timing of these feasts is also where Catholics get the concept of the Novena - nine days of prayer - because in Acts 1, Mary and the Apostles prayed together "continuously" for nine days after the Ascension leading up to Pentecost. Traditionally, **the Church prays the Novena** to the Holy Spirit in the days before Pentecost.

The name of the day itself is derived from the Greek word "pentecoste," meaning 50th.

## ***What happens at Pentecost?***

In the Christian tradition, Pentecost is the celebration of the person of the Holy Spirit coming upon the Apostles, Mary, and the first followers of Jesus, who were gathered together in the Upper Room.

A "strong, driving" wind filled the room where they were gathered, and tongues of fire came to rest on their heads, allowing them to speak in different languages so that they could understand each other. It was such a strange phenomenon that some people thought the Christians were just drunk - but Peter pointed

out that it was only the morning, and said the phenomenon was caused by the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit also gave the apostles the other gifts and fruits necessary to fulfill the great commission - to go out and preach the Gospel to all nations. It fulfills the New Testament promise from Christ (Luke 24:46-49) that the Apostles would be "clothed with power" before they would be sent out to spread the Gospel.

## ***Where's that in the bible?***

The main event of Pentecost (the strong driving wind and tongues of fire) takes place in **Acts 2:13**, though the events immediately following (Peter's homily, the baptism of thousands) continue through verse 41.

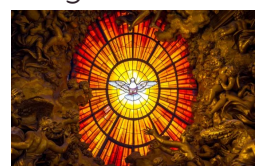
## ***Happy Birthday, Church***

It was right after Pentecost that Peter, inspired by the Holy Spirit, preached his first homily to non-believers, in which he opened the scriptures of the Old Testament, showing how the prophet Joel prophesied events and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

He also told the people that the Jesus they crucified is the Lord and was raised from the dead, which "cut them to the heart." When they asked what they should do, Peter exhorted them to repent of their sins and to be baptised. According to the account in Acts, about 3,000 people were baptised following Peter's sermon.

These traditions will be part of the teaching that our tamariki will be covering in the next few weeks.

Kathryn Carey



# FATHER PATRICK LITTLEWOOD AWARD

The smiles say it all! We are so proud of our three recipients of the Father Patrick Littlewood Award for service to the school and parish. These boys have continued as altar servers all through Covid and supported our school and parish with grace, reverence and service. Congratulations to these boys Devante, Ryan and Rihari. We are so very proud of you. Thank you for representing us with humility. You are wonderful role models of our faith and values. Thank you to the Littlewood Family who continue to sponsor this trophy engraving.



# PCS School Calendar



School Term Two Calendar						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30 Wk5 Yr 7&8 HPV Vacc BOT meeting	31	1	2 Newsletter Maths Lead Teachers at PCS	3 <b>TEACHER ONLY DAY (PB4L)</b>	4	5
6 Wk6 <b>QUEEN'S B'DAY</b>	7	8 Marcellin Service Day - wear yellow	9	10 Tui Mass Mana Oho Yr 8 boys Assembly	11	12
13 Wk7 Te Pou Theatre 9am	14	15 Spiritus Staff Professional Development	16 Spiritus Staff Professional Development	17 Mana Oho Yr 8 boys PCS SPEECH COMP	18	19
20 Wk8	21	22 Life Education Visit	23 Life Education Visit	24 <b>Matariki Public Holiday</b>	25	26
27 Wk9 FAR NORTH SPEECH COMP Yr 5/6 - 9.30am to 4.00pm	28 FAR NORTH SPEECH COMP Yr 7/8 - 9.30am to 4.00pm	29 <b>WHANAU 3 WAY CONFERENCE - NO CLASSROOM TEACHING 8AM-6PM</b>	30 WHANAU 3 WAY CONFERENCE CATCH UP? - 3PM-5PM	1 Newsletter Kea and Te Kahu Mass Mana Oho Yr 8 boys  Assembly	2	3
4 Wk10	5	6	7	8 Whole School Mass Mana Oho Yr 8 boys  Last Day of Term	9 School holidays start	10
Term Break						
25 First Day of Term 3	26	27	28	29	30	31
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

This calendar gives you an idea of what is coming up during the term. Put the dates somewhere important to remember them. Dates can change at times, so please check notices on SeeSaw and Facebook as the newsletter is monthly. If there are last minute changes we will notify you by See Saw or our school Facebook page and update our free app Skool Loop. Make sure you contact Maree in the office to ensure your details are up-to-date. \* **Please note all events are pending the current Covid-19 levels.**

# OTHER NEWS AND NOTICES

## ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

### Mass Times

Our **Week Day Mass (Covid dependent)**

At 9.15am Wednesday and Friday in KAITAIA

### Weekend Mass

Locations, as follows:

Every Saturday at 6pm and Sunday 9am, KAITAIA

Every Sunday 3:30pm, MANGONU I

Every second and third Sunday of the month 11am, AWANUI



## Communication

If your child is absent from school, please remember to get in touch to let us know why.

You can contact us via

- SeeSaw
- Skool Loop
- call or text 021 867 615
- email

[office@pompallierprimary.school.nz](mailto:office@pompallierprimary.school.nz)

If there is a change to your usual after school arrangements (e.g. no bus, after school care, etc), please contact the school office by 2.00pm at the latest.



WELCOME TO

## REDWOOD HOUSE

ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE SILVERSTREAM  
BOARDING HOSTEL

### Welcome

As your son comes to the end of his primary school years, you will be looking for his next academic home. St Patrick's College Silverstream is a place that he can call exactly that - home. We warmly invite you to consider Silverstream for your son's secondary education, and to consider our boarding school as a place for him to grow into a young man of great potential.



### The College

St Patrick's College, Silverstream is a boys' school of excellence in Upper Hutt, Wellington. The College is founded on Catholic and Marist values and traditions where students develop knowledge, skills, attitudes and values which enable them to become compassionate, just and successful citizens.



### Redwood House

Redwood House is our boarding hostel and is based on the College values of Faith, Unity, Courage, Support, and Humility. We aim to provide our young men with opportunities to live these values on a daily basis. With high expectations, structured routines, supportive study routines and fun bonding activities, Redwood House is the beating heart of what our College stands for.



### For more information

Please visit our College website on [www.stream.school.nz/boarding/](http://www.stream.school.nz/boarding/) for more information.

If you have any other questions, please email Sam Dean, the Director of Boarding, on [deans@stream.school.nz](mailto:deans@stream.school.nz)



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Mahi tahi i Te Karaiti  
To inspire and nurture leaders of  
learning and excellence

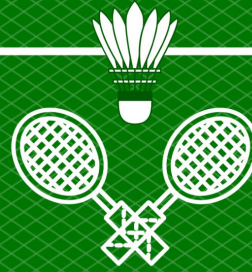


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## JUNIOR BADMINTON

JUNIOR BADMINTON AT  
KAITAIA COLLEGE

AGES 7 TO 18

6PM TO 7.30PM

EVERY TUESDAY  
IN TERM TIME

Contact David 027 283 7777  
or Clev 027 279 3122

## Dakota and her horse Misty at RDA



Dakota attends RDA once a week to spend time with her horse "Misty". Dakota is growing in confidence with her riding and is learning how to care for her horse Misty too. She can even do some tricks on Misty! We are so grateful to the RDA for this wonderful resource in our community.

Well done Dakota!

Photos shared by Dakota's Mum who takes her each week. Thanks for sharing with us all!

# PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY...



Dallas was our Principal for the day recently. Students get their names in a hat at each assembly and go in a draw for Principal for the Day (P4D). This is based on modelling our school values. Dallas was a wonderful support to our kura on his P4D duty! Dallas shared these ideas during his time as Principal:

- I know how hard the Principal works (I promise that's what he said)
- It was nice to be just me with the Principal in the office
- If I was a Principal I would like to teach music to the students.

Thanks for your help Dallas, what a wonderful Principal you were! Mrs Carey

## POMPALLIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

### PTFA

Come along and join in with the PTFA (Parent Teacher and Friends Association).

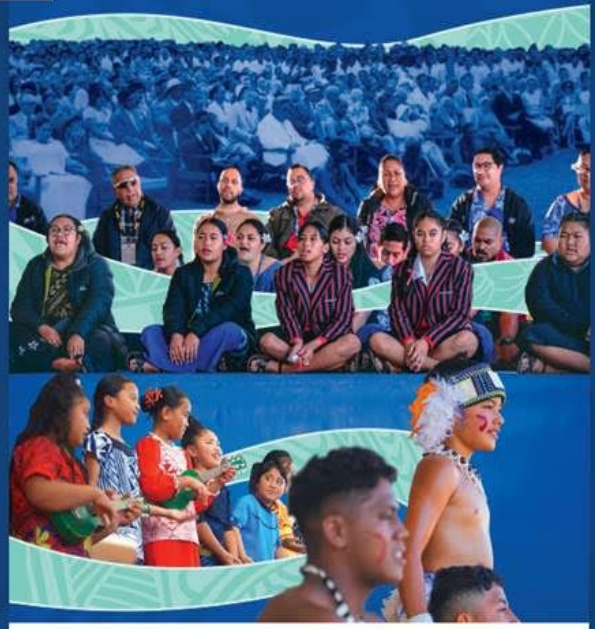
As whanau of the school our PTFA co-ordinates fun activities, school gala, and other fundraisers for the students to enjoy extra things such as sports equipment, stationery and more.

A great way to connect with others and meet whanau from the school.

If you would like to be involved, please contact Michelle Haines  
Ph: 022 3450141 or the school office

29, 04  
MAY JUN

Gagana Samoa  
Samoa Language Week



"Fa'aānuā le folauga i le va'a o tautai"

CONTINUE THE VOYAGE WITH COMPETENT WAY FINDERS OF THE OCEAN

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# JUNIOR SCHOOL

# Kiwi



Father Larry is special because he puts the sign of the cross on our foreheads. Peni.  
 Father Larry sings the songs to us. Quin.  
 Father Larry is special because it's his birthday tomorrow. MaKareto.  
 Father Larry is special because he has the best songs. Kiana.  
 Father Larry does lots of things like saying prayers. Derrick.  
 Father Larry owns the church and takes care of the school, we all have to respect and help him. Phoenix.  
 Father Larry is special because he says prayers. Oscar.  
 Father Larry is special because he is nice to us. Asha.  
 Father Larry is very good at helping me and teaching me the songs. Elisa.  
 Father Larry is special because he goes to church, and he lets us in and out of the church. Rosie.  
 Father Larry, I love you very much. Willow.

## Happy Birthday!

Celebrating our amazing Father Larry!! We are so pleased to have you as our priest.



# Pukeko

We are always learning in lots of different ways! We move our bodies, use materials, learn with our friends, and share ideas with each other.



# JUNIOR SCHOOL

## Piwakawaka

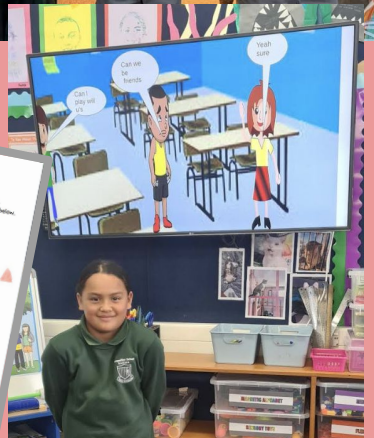
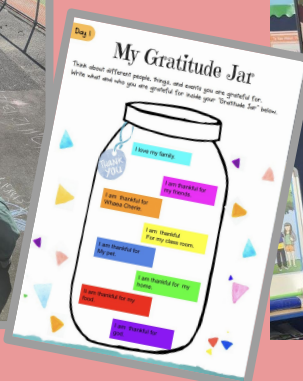


Piwakawaka has spent the term settling into school life and getting used to all of the changes! They are doing so well!



Kea has had an amazing term so far with lots of positive engagement in learning. They are especially enjoying using our STEM boxes to support their learning and developing their digital fluency through a variety of digital learning activities.

## Kea



## TU

Tui Class have completed some great mahi related to our Jeannie Baker author study. As part of our learning we have completed word frames to collect vocab and unpack big ideas within the stories we have read together.

We are also learning about collage, and how to use this in different ways. Jeannie Baker uses amazing collages to illustrate her books. Sometimes she can take two weeks to produce one piece of artwork for a book illustration!

We took several sessions to complete our Pink Shirt Day posters, which highlight key messages about how to treat others.



Jeannie Baker mahi

## KAKAPO

### Te Ahu Museum and The War Memorial

Kakapo Class had a great visit to the Te Ahu Museum and to the War Memorial.

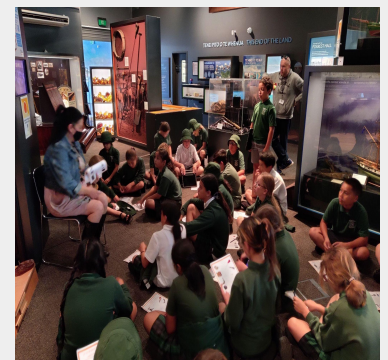
We have been doing work for ANZAC DAY and our poetry unit (writing).

Our inquiry unit is on ANTARCTICA, reading is journal based activities, PE

is volleyball, art has been watercolour pauas and RE has been

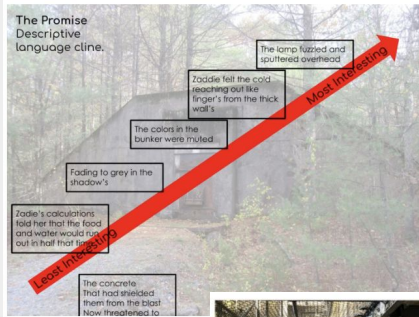
about Jesus. Mainly about FORGIVENESS. Our math unit has

been about Perimeter, Area and Temperature.



# SENIOR SCHOOL

## TE KAHU



Ugh yuck this place is disgusting I don't deserve to be here look at it. This bed is so uncomfortable and everywhere I look I see a bud or some dead creature on the ground. I don't even get any privacy there isn't a walls around the toilet so I have wait until others look away. I don't even get go anywhere just sit here and be bored. I'd rather be in a coma then here. When we go to have lunch I am always get scared someone is going to hurt me. This place is prison.

Te Kahu has been focusing a lot on developing their literacy learning over the past two weeks. The students are unpacking a large range of texts to understand the impact that language features can have on the mood and atmosphere of a text. Check out some of their fantastic mahi!

## SPORT



Last Friday our years 5-8 girls got to participate in a Rippa Rugby session with Bodean from Northland Rugby. They had so much fun and enjoyed getting out on the field.

Rugby Academy has started for our Senior Students run by Josh who is a part of Northland Rugby. We loved seeing you all out on the field giving rugby a go!



# Geo Noho 2022

## Tuhura Papatuanuku

During week 4 six lucky year 7 & 8 students had the privilege of attending the 2022 Geo Noho held at Waimanoni Marae. The students got to work alongside scientists all the way from GNS in Wellington as well as other students and Iwi representatives. The tamariki learned so much about our whenua and how the different rock formations were formed. They also got to carry out a range of science experiments testing water clarity and finding out how we can help protect our planet.



What a fabulous celebration we had recently celebrating Father Larry's birthday. It was such a fun Mass with aroha and whakawhanaungatanga flowing! Fr Larry spoke about our "mission" together to support the faith journey of your children. Thank you to those that came along to join us. The children had a wonderful time joining in on the celebrations too!

# FAMILY MASS





## **Samoan Language Week**

**Our Samoan community blessed us with a stunning performance this week.**

**Fa'afetai! We absolutely loved it!**

Head lice are very common in the community and we have noticed that some students in the school have head lice at the moment.

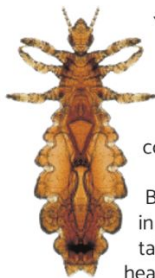
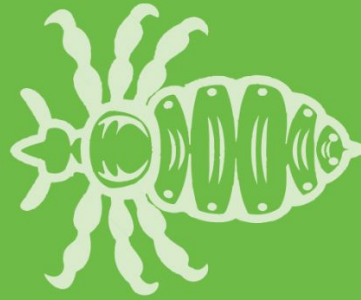
Please read this Information Sheet. It is important that you check your child's hair, and treat for head lice if required, to help prevent head lice spreading.

Check the hair of every member of the household. If you find live head lice on anyone, treat them as well. Do not treat everyone "just in case".

It is a good idea to wash hair ties and hair brushes but you do not need to wash bedding or pillows.

Please contact your child's teacher or the school office if you need a lice comb or product for treatment.

# LICE are not NICE



## YUCK. HOW DID MY CHILD GET LICE/NITS?

Head lice cannot hop, jump, swim, or fly – they spread strictly through direct contact.

Basically, schoolkids spend a lot of time in close contact with each other, and lice take the opportunity to move from one head to the next. They can also temporarily live on combs, hairbrushes, hats, hair ties, and even cushions or soft furniture. **Getting lice has nothing to do with hygiene** – you could be washing your child's hair every night, and they can still get lice.

Head lice are happy on any head, whether the hair is long, short, young, old, clean, or dirty.



## WHAT ARE LICE?

Head lice are small insects that live on humans' heads and feed on small amounts of blood. Adult head lice lay eggs (often called nits) on the hair, usually within 5 mm of the scalp.



Lice are specialised to live on human heads and can only live for a short time away from one. They don't live anywhere else on the body, or on any other animals.

Head lice are hard to see because they are small, can hide in the hair, and come in various shades of brown and grey. Adult head lice are 1-3 mm long, and the eggs/nits are usually pale in colour and about a millimetre in size.

## TREATMENT



Does your child or someone in your family have lice? Never fear!

The best method for getting rid of lice is **combing**. You must be sure to have a proper comb: fine-toothed, metal, with long teeth is best **The COMB is KEY!**

### FOLLOW THESE STEPS

- 1 Comb through hair with a regular comb or brush, to remove any tangles.
- 2 Cover the dry hair with conditioner from roots to tips.
- 3 Separate hair into small sections, then comb from root to tip with the metal, fine-toothed lice comb. Deposit any lice or eggs that are dislodged into a bowl of hot, soapy water.
- 4 Comb each section of hair twice.
- 5 Repeat these steps every 2-3 days, until you haven't found any lice or eggs for 10 days.

### TIPS

- Comb under a bright light if you can – it's easier to spot the little creatures!
- Head lice shampoos and lotions are available from your chemist, but you must follow the instructions carefully. Some lice have become resistant to these chemicals due to overuse.
- NEVER use harsh chemicals, such as fly spray, flea spray, or kerosene, on your child's head. It's unnecessary and can cause serious harm!

## PREVENTION



Don't share hats, brushes/combs, or other personal items.



Brush hair regularly. Brushing or combing can remove head lice before they have a chance to lay eggs and settle in.



Tie up long hair to help prevent lice from spreading.



Don't hang hats, coats, and scarves too close together at school.



Check your child's hair at least once a week, especially if you know lice have been detected on others in the classroom.



Put pillows, bed linens, and stuffed animals in the dryer on high heat for 30 minutes to kill lice and eggs.



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