



POMPALLIER

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



OUR VISION

That every child is able to learn and take risks in a safe Christ-centered environment that focuses on family and community values.

OUR MISSION

Pompallier Catholic School is committed to the provision of quality education, inspired by the teachings of Jesus Christ. The Catholic Faith is expressed through the Mercy charism and values to make a positive difference in the community and environment. Pompallier Catholic School nurtures the development of each person's full growth, in a continuing tradition of excellence.

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Atawhai
Mercy



Tika
Integrity



Pono
Truth



Aroha
Love

- Due to Covid we have not been able to confirm any of our original plans. Keep an eye on the calendar and our updates on SeeSaw and Facebook.
- Thursday 23rd September - WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTOS
- Wednesday 29th September - Catholic Schools Day

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

I am writing this amongst our nationwide lockdown for Covid-19 thinking how quickly life can change. One minute we were planning weekly meetings and fitting in hectic school schedules, to then be locked down overnight. I feel so grateful to be living in NZ where we are working together as a nation to aim to shut down this terrible virus. Our teachers and tamariki have glided into online learning with your support. I am so very proud of our team. It is certainly a time to sit back and take time to reconnect with whanau. We lead such very busy lives! I hope you can take an opportunity to enjoy the quieter moments too.

These weeks have involved handing over school devices and hard packs to whanau. It has been lovely connecting with you. Those who have loved lockdown, and those who have not. We are such a diverse team, but together we make our situation work by supporting each other.

SCHOOL CHANGES AND UPDATES

Now that we are working within "Covid" times we have ongoing changes. We will work within the rulings that are given to us by the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Health. Please keep an eye on our school notices via Facebook, Skool Loop and SeeSaw to work with these changes.

Our students have planned some fun events, such as Pompallier Has Talent, but this may not be able to proceed. We will certainly let you know.

EDUCATION REVIEW OFFICE

This term we were to have our first meeting with our ERO partner Richard Leilua. Another planned event that is having to wait on Covid Levels. I will certainly let you know when we have an update with this visit.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS DAY

We celebrate Catholic Schools Day every three years and it is a wonderful opportunity to be proud of who we are, and what we represent. The theme this year is Tūrangawaewae: Catholic Schools - A Place to Stand. We will be joining (depending on Covid) with our sister schools from Waitaruke and Panguru. This year we plan to head over to Panguru on Wednesday 29th September and more information will follow as we approach this date. As you can imagine, putting plans in place and then changes according to Covid is ongoing, so thank you for your support.

ONLINE LEARNING

This lockdown, albeit sudden, has been a little easier with our smooth transition into online learning. The teachers have appreciated the support and guidance you have given your tamariki. It is a hugely busy time for our teachers with feedback and posts, marking and feedforward with learning for every student. They have done an amazing job during our lockdown time. Thank you to everyone for encouraging online learning!

Nga mihi nui from all of our staff.
God bless, Kathryn Carey (Principal)

DRS COLUMN

Each newsletter it is always a goal to share some snippet of Religious Education that helps support what we are doing in our classroom learning. I stumbled across this message shared from our previous DRS Phil Gunn and couldn't resist sharing it with you.

Thanks Phil!

“Humility and cats—Abridged from Fr Carlo’s Sermon

Jesus in today’s Gospel reminds us about humility. Speaking of humility, Cats are not known for this trait. In fact thousands of years ago cats were worshiped as gods. Apparently they have not forgotten this. The life of a cat revolves around what the cat wants to do: to eat, to stretch, to be petted, to sleep. Cats seem to be able to exult themselves and get away with it. They are perhaps the only animals to which the words of Jesus in today’s Gospel (Luke 14: 1, 7-14) do not apply.

For what Jesus tells His disciples is only by humbling ourselves that we can be exalted..

Now what is humility? And why is it that Jesus thinks it is so important?

Humility is the willingness to acknowledge our own limitations. Humility tells us that it is a benefit for us to own our weaknesses.

We actually take a step forward when we are able to say: I am not as patient as I need to be with my family; I am not as creative as someone else might be; I find it difficult to say I am sorry; I hold prejudices against certain people; I am not a good listener.

Through all these honest acknowledgements of our limitations, we can move towards the truth without devaluing ourselves.

Because honest humility allows us to acknowledge our weaknesses and at the same time realize that we remain people of goodness and dignity.

We might not be perfect, but we have value. We might not be able to do everything, but we have something to contribute. Humility allows us to claim the truth about ourselves.

But humility does not only influence the understanding of ourselves. It changes our view of others. For humility allows us to see the goodness of others and to treat them with reverence.

The theologian Martin Buber was once asked a very common question: “Where is God?” Buber replied “God is found between people.” God is found in the relationships that bind us to one another

The proud person does not see how crucially we need one another. The person of humility does in fact recognize the need for relationships and therefore finds God “between us.”

Cats believe they are self-sufficient, that they can do it on their own. Christians know that they are not. They understand that God is to be found when we acknowledge our limitations and recognize our radical need for one another.

This fundamental insight is what makes love the highest of all Christian virtues. For love tells us that it is in our relationship to each other that we find God.

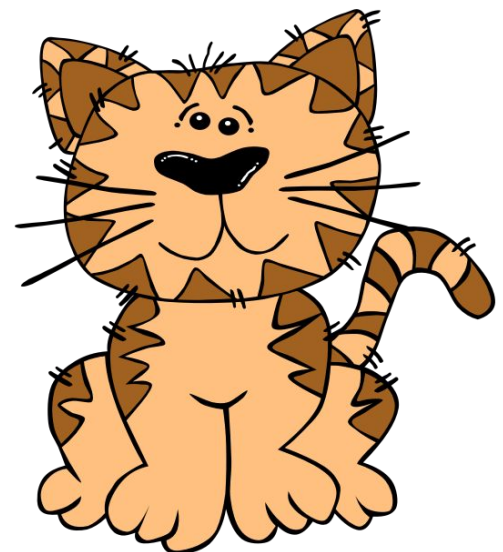
Love is, indeed, the only way to God.

Who will work only for God, it is only the humble

This is such a great message as we head towards the end of the term. May we work together to teach our tamariki to be humble. May we work on our humility towards each other and ourselves. What a wonderful place it would be for us all if our words and actions model humility!

God bless,

Kathryn Carey



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

Four locations, as follows:

Every Sunday 9am, KAITAIA

Every Sunday 3:30pm, MANGONUI

Every fourth Sunday of the month Mass, 11am, WAIHARARA

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

First Saturday of every month 4.30, AHIPARA

CHILD PROTECTION WEEK

5-11 SEPTEMBER 2021



HOW CAN WE ALL ENSURE OUR CHILDREN ARE PROTECTED?

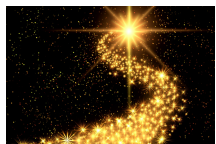
JOIN THE DIOCESE IN ITS GOAL

"A SAFE CHURCH FOR EVERYONE EVERY DAY"

KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE FROM HARM



'That every person has a value and dignity from his/her creation in the image and likeness of God'



Welcome



We would love to take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to our new students and their whanau..

We are taking enrolments so spread the word!

Kiwi	Crew, Denzel, Genevieve and Tanner
Pukeko	Jayden
Tui	Kenzie
Kakapo	Brooke
Te Kahu	Phoenixx-Jade

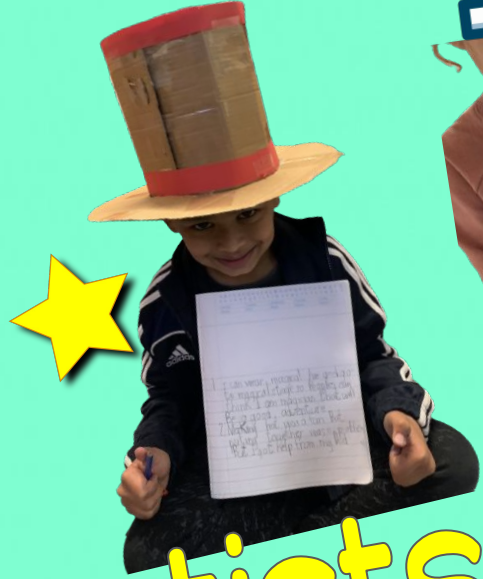
KIWI SUPERSTARS!

authors



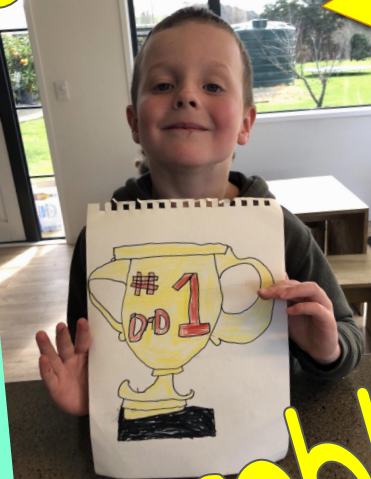
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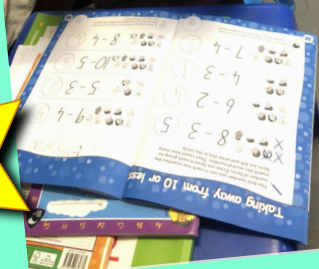
scientists



creativity

problem solvers

solvers

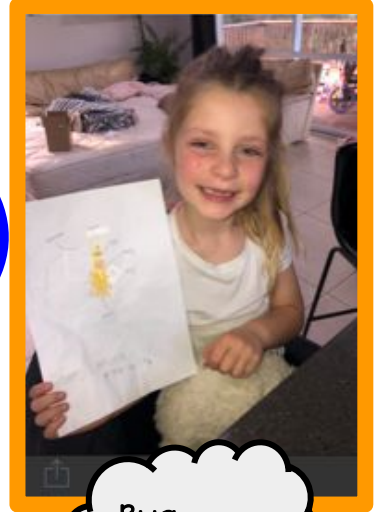


bed makers

Pukeko have been super star learners! We have been busy being creative, getting outdoors, playing, writing, reading online, and having lots of fun. Our families are doing an amazing job teaching us at home!



Measuring with our feet.



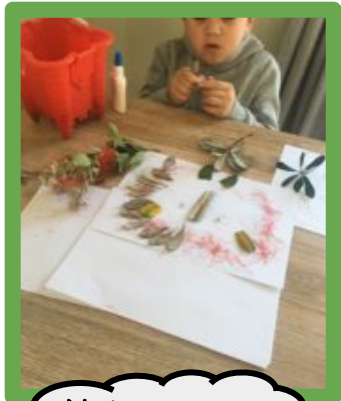
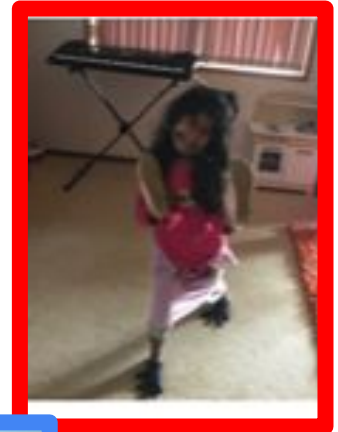
Bug hunting!



Alphabet Hunt



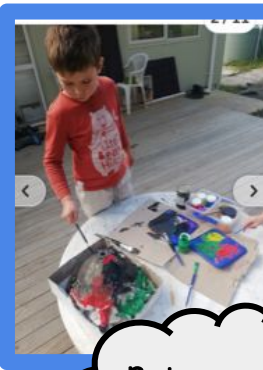
Wacky wednesday!



Nature art.



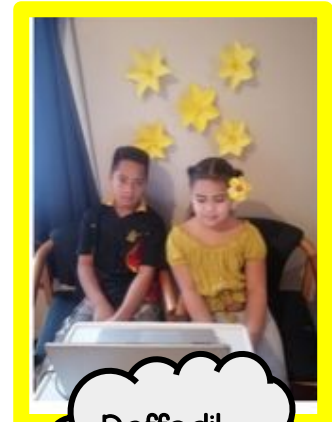
Learning with dough



Being artists!



Make your bed challenge



Daffodil day.



Playing games with our whanau



Using our 5 senses



Practicing our writing

KEA

students have been hard at work this week...



Creating beautiful works of art

Writing, reading and practising maths



Building and inventing

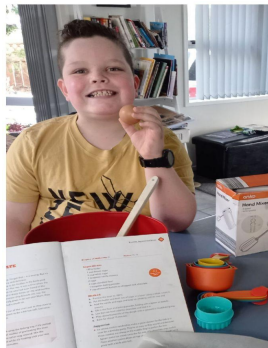


Exploring our local flora and fauna



Baking delicious treats!

Tui Class Master Chef - Dessert Challenge



Butterscotch Pudding



Tui class have been very busy and productive with their learning from home. We have enjoyed our class online class meets, and we are reading a novel called "Skink Gully" at the end of session. We had lots of fun with our dessert challenge this week, with some students producing some amazing desserts! Mrs Ryken and Mrs Carey joined in the fun, as well. We had great whanau judges. There is a surprise draw winner from the student entries, of some yummy things from Wild Nekta! Well done to everyone that took part in the challenge. There is a new challenge next week!

Kakapo



Snippets from kakapo class online learning. Daffodil Day creations, prayer reflection areas and Paralympics sports. Kakapo are designing team outfits, games, Olympic stadiums and more while learning about the Paralympics. They have researched and practiced spelling, calculated maths problems and created masterpieces. All doing a wonderful job of online learning. Ka pai to mahi Kakapo!



Tēna Koutou Katoa,

We are a community based, non-profit, public Enviro-Kindergarten, Providing for tamariki and whānau of Muriwhenua for over 60 years...

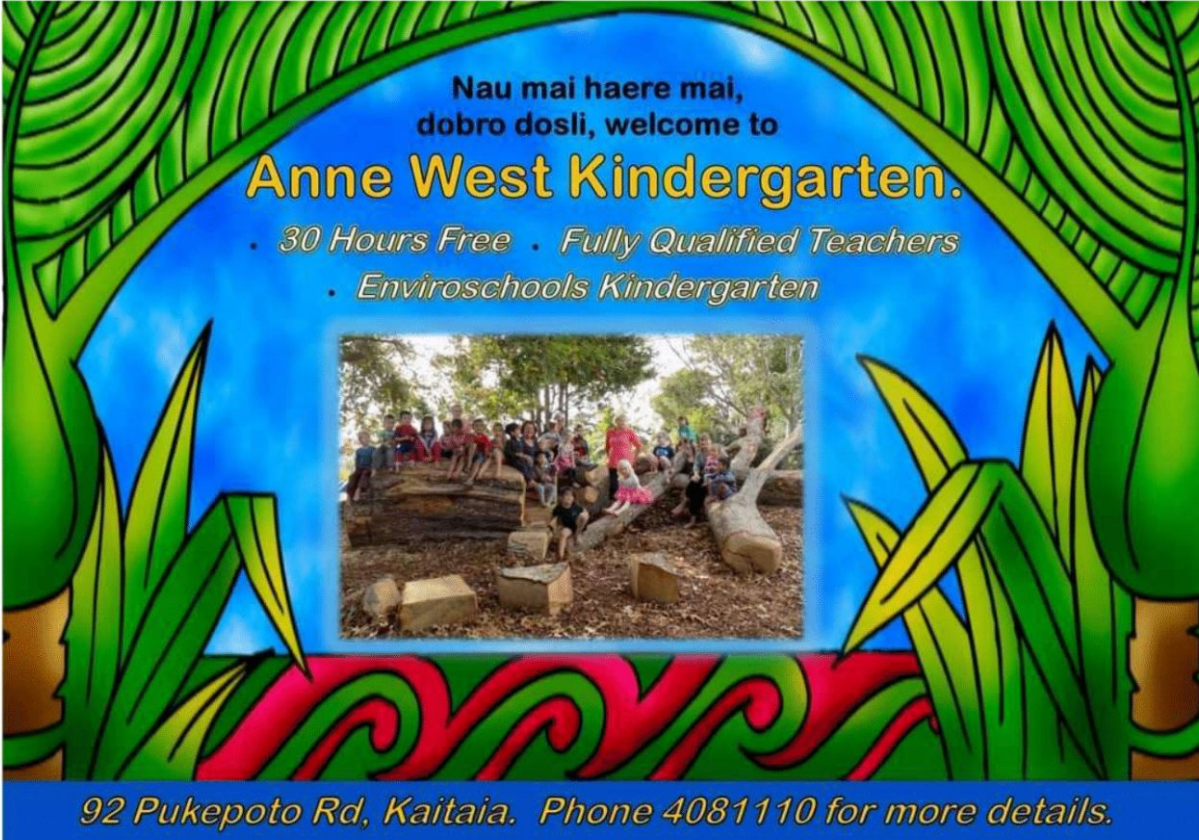
We currently have spaces for tamariki aged 2 to 6 years old...8.30 am to 2.30 pm each day totally FEES FREE...

Come and visit us anytime and see if we feel right for you....it's all about those feels...we understand that 😊

We are supported by KidsCan with all our kai, morning teas and cooked lunches each day 😊 Plus rain jackets and shoes ❤️ We grow kai with the tamariki all year to share and send home too 😊

We are open now all year (during school holidays too)

Nau mai haere mai...come and check us out 😊



Nau mai haere mai,
dobro dosli, welcome to
Anne West Kindergarten.
• 30 Hours Free • Fully Qualified Teachers
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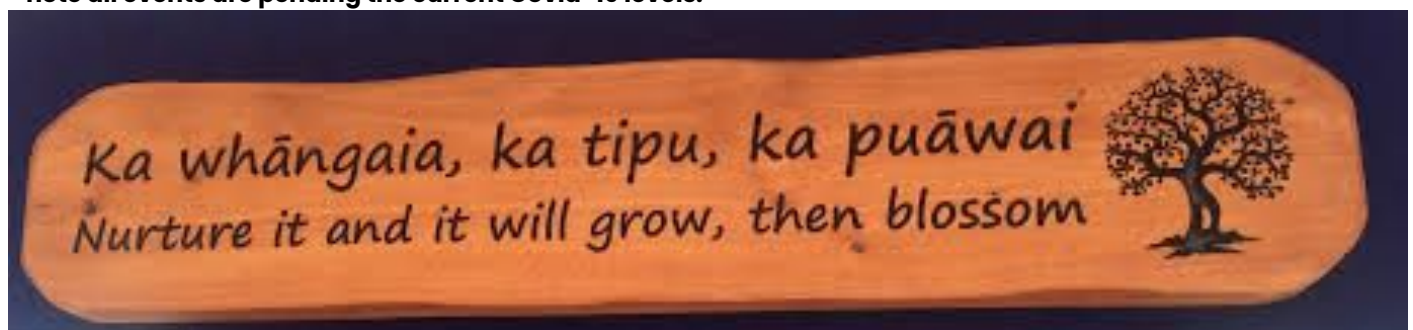
92 Pukepoto Rd, Kaitaia. Phone 4081110 for more details.

PCS School Calendar



School Term Three Calendar						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
16 Wk4 Sir Peter Blake Award	17	18 Covid-19 Level 4 lockdown nationwide	19 Zones 1 Country	20 TeKahu Mass Assembly	21 CAMP QUIZ NIGHT	22 James Taryn Layton FAMILY MASS
23 Wk5 Covid-19	24	25 Level 4 lockdown nationwide	26 Maths lead teachers at PCS	27 Daffodil Day Pukeroo Mass	28	29 Raidon Ryan Kurt
30 Wk6 Covid-19 Level 4 lockdown	31	1 SEPT	2	3 Kakapo Mass Assembly	4 Covid-19 Level 3 lockdown	5 Taryn Kataraina Nathan
6 Wk7 Covid-19 Level 3 lockdown	7 PCS HAS TALENT	8 BIRTH OF MARY	9 NZ PLAYHOUSE CANCELLED	10 TEACHER ONLY DAY - RE RETREAT - NGA PARIRAU CANCELLED	11	12 Raidon Rihari Connor
13 Wk8	14	15	16 MK MOVIE DAY CANCELLED	17 Tui Mass Assembly FAR NORTH X COUNTRY CANCELLED	18	19 Taryn Liam Piri
20 Wk9	21	22	23 Whole School Photos	24 Kea Mass	25	26 James Rihari Connor PCS MASS COVID DEPENDENT
27 Wk10	28	29 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS DAY - Dependent on Covid	30	1 Oct Aubert Day (wear red) invite grandparents Assembly Dependent on Covid levels	2	3 Taryn Rihari Layton

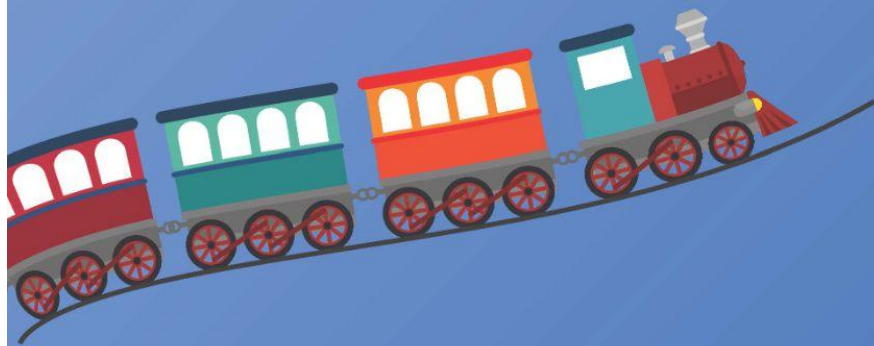
This calendar gives you an idea of what is coming up during the term. Put the dates somewhere important to remember them. Dates can change at times, so please check notices on SeeSaw and Facebook as the newsletter is monthly. If there are last minute changes we will notify you by See Saw or our school 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.**



Have you downloaded our school app yet?



Our school app ensures excellent and reliable communication between our school and parents at all times!



Full Speed Ahead!

Helpful Features:

- Parent-teacher interviews
- Push-notifications
- Absentee reporting
- Notices
- Calendar
- Permission slips
- Newsletters
- Contact tracing
- School contacts



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