

MISSION STATEMENT

To Excel in Education embracing the values and Teachings of the Catholic Faith.

Dear Parents, Caregivers, Pupils and Parishioners, Tena Koutou Nga matua o te kura.

Ahakoa he iti he pounamu (Although it is small it is a treasure)

During the long weekend I was blessed enough to be able to spend the time with my wee grandson "Max" who is 6 months old. How lucky I was to be able to spend this time with family; just laughing and celebrating the funny things that babies do and enjoying the company of family.

It really is true - the smallest things can sometimes be the greatest treasure.

Next Tuesday (3/11) is our Health Consultation Meeting. We are required by law to share our curriculum and allow parental/community voice so that we are meeting the needs of our students. This starts at 5.30pm at school. After this we will be sharing the outline for the "Pubertal Change Unit" that <u>all</u> of our Year 6 - 8 students will participate in this term. If you would like to know more, please attend or contact me.

Thanks to those parents who have managed to vote on what colour culottes our girls will wear. <u>Option 1</u> which was the Navy/White/Black check was a resounding winner. It was also clearly identified by students (girls) as their preferred choice. We will now ask Storys to proceed with ordering.

I hope you have managed to download the School App onto your phone. This really is a great way for us to communicate easily and quickly with parents. In the long term it would be great if all families had access to this App.

This term, also sees the start of our Curriculum Consultation - run by Board of Trustee members. Expect a phone call over the next week or so. This information will then be used to shape our future curriculum.

GO THE AB's!!!

Regards Craig Henderson Acting Principal

SPECIAL CHARACTER

All Saints Day – 1st November

All Saints' Day is a celebration of all Christian saints, particularly those who have no special feast days of their own, in many Roman Catholic, Anglican and Protestant churches. In many western churches it is annually held November 1 and in many eastern churches it is celebrated on the first Sunday after Pentecost. It is also known as All Hallows Tide, All-Hallomas, or All Hallows' Day. All Saints' Day is observed by Christians in many countries around the world. In countries such as Spain, Portugal and Mexico, offerings are made on this day. In countries such as Belgium, Hungary and Italy people bring flowers to the graves of dead relatives. In other parts of Europe, such as Austria, Croatia, Poland, and Romania, it is customary to light candles on top of visiting graves of deceased relatives. It is also observed in parts of Asia, such as the Philippines, where people visit graves of deceased relatives and clean or repair them. They also lay flowers on the graves and light candles. In France, church services in memory of all the saints are held on November 1 but by the evening the focus turns towards the dead. Cemeteries everywhere are crowded with people who come to clean and decorate family graves.

Quote for the Week

enjoy the little things in life for one day you'll look back and realize they were the big things

ALTAR SERVERS

For this week are Riley, Rebekah and George.

WELCOME

A special welcome to our school to new entrant **Aiden Hanham** who has joined the team in Room 1. We look forward to sharing Aiden's education journey with him.



BIRTHDAYS

Greta Minehan – 8 years old on the 26th.

WELL DONE ISOBEL

Congratulations to **Isobel Thomson** who recently competed at the North Island Interschool's pairs Mounted Games Championships. Isobel and her pair came <u>2nd in the juniors</u> only to be beaten by a senior

(who won H.O.Y this year) riding also in the juniors as they were a rider short. That senior rider also won the seniors with another pair. The following weekend Isobel rode at the NZMGA regional teams in HBMGA team two. Isobel's team came 6th in the A final out of 12.



<u>P.F.G. NEWS</u>

Dear Parents, Carers and Whanau,

I hope you have all recovered from the tense games of rugby we had to endure this weekend!

An important date for your diary - our **Garage Sale** for term 4 is back on, on the original date of **Saturday the 21st of November.** We realised that term 4 gets crazy, so we have decided we are going to stay with our original date. The PFG are looking to set up a Christmas raffle, a sausage and bacon butties stall, cake and fresh produce stall, and an anything goes white elephant stall.

So what we need from you is anything you think we can sell at our garage sale. Plants, preserves, jams and pickles, kids toys that are no longer needed, vases, bowls, books, clothes etc. What we cannot accept is anything electrical or broken. So please take a good look around and if you have anything that you no longer use, or that you think we will be able to sell, then please drop it off at school. We will gladly put a price on it and sell it at the Garage Sale.

We are only days away from getting our recipe books. As soon as we have them, we will let you know, and that there will be a copy of the book here at reception for you to take a look at before you order.

As always, we are looking for new members to join our team. We meet once a month, and our next meeting will take place on Monday the 9th November at 7pm here at school. We would love to see you there.

Go the All Blacks. Here's hoping we can win the world cup and beat the Ozzies on Sunday!

Kind regards Jacqui Mabin

THE VALUE OF RESPONSIBILITY

Responsibility is "Taking ownership of our thinking and our actions." This week's children living the value of Responsibility are **Pryce Chamberlain, Jemma Nesbit, Jonty Kohleis and Cameron Harrison.**



<u>SNAP AWARD</u>

Awarded to students who include other students in their activities. Well done to **Emily Peters** who is this week's winner.

SPORTS NOTICES

Miniball Draw for Friday

Dynamites vs Waipuk Warriors 3.30 Memorial Hall All Stars vs Otane All Stars 5.10 Memorial Hall Rockets vs Waipawa Swish 5.00 Stadium Suns vs Argyll 4.00 Stadium

* From now on, instead of publishing sports draws in the school newsletter, we ask that you check out all sports draws on our new School Website. However we will notify parents of any changes.

C.H.B Junior Cycle Series

Race 1 is this <u>Sunday 1st</u> starting at Terrace School (Registration forms at the school office)

<u>C.H.B. A & P SHOW</u> Thurs 12th – Sat 14th November

Competitions for children at the Show this year include:

- * Cooking Section (Decorated Gingerbread People)
- * Novelty Section (Decorated Show Hats)
- * Photography (Rural Life in NZ, Fences, My Favourite Animal)

* Sand Saucer (Must include a rose)

Further information and entry forms are available at the school office.

WANTED

An old white sheet to be dyed and used in a child's art. Please let Shelley Fuller know if you can help with this.

SCHOOL BANKING IS TOMORROW

COMING EVENTS

Nov:

- 3rd Health Curriculum Consultation 5.30pm
- 8th School Mass
- 9th PFG Meeting 6.30pm
- 21st School Garage Sale
- Dec:
- 10th End of Year Mass
 - Year 8 Dinner
- 15th School Prizegiving
- 16th Last day of Term 4

Room 1

The purpose for writing our stories is so that they can be shared with an audience. The following stories are about what we did during Labour Weekend.

Labour Weekend

In the Labour Weekend I went to Nan and Pop's house and the hot park. I went to the park and we went to the pools and the waves went on and I surfed on the waves.

By Sophie Fuller

Labour Weekend

On Labour Weekend me and Connor went up to sunrise and something happened! "No Connor, no Connor," but he didn't listen to me and I got angry, so, so angry with him when he jumped on the mountain goat. He fell off the mountain goat and hurt his bum!

By Pipi Churchward

Labour Weekend

In the Labour Weekend Annie and Cath came to stay but they had to stay for 3 nights. On the 2nd day we went to the horse cross country. Penny didn't win but at the end she was the sweatiest horse!

By Alfie Kuklinski

Labour Weekend

On the Labour Weekend we went to Brier's house and it was getting hot so Desmond put up the sprinkler. Jo said, "Brier go and get the girls and you an iceblock to eat for lunch." We all said, "yum, the iceblocks are yum." Our iceblocks were green.

By Rylee Hodgetts.

This term we are celebrating ourselves as Artists. We have been learning how to make prints from drawings of ourselves.



