



St Francis Xavier Catholic School

To Love, To Learn and To Serve
Kia Aroha, Kia Akona, Kia Aro Atu

No.8 Thursday 6th June 2019

Tena koutou katoa. Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends of the school,



This Sunday is Pentecost Sunday. Over the last few weeks the children and their teachers have been learning about the power of the Holy Spirit, and the place the Spirit has in our lives. Here are some of the comments from our students:

"The Holy Spirit helps me make good choices."

"The Holy Spirit lives inside me and guides me."

"Jesus promised He would send the Holy Spirit, and he did!"

"Peer mediators show the gifts of the Holy Spirit."

As I move around the different classes, I am really impressed at the knowledge and understanding our

children have of the Holy Spirit. Pope Francis challenges us to invite the Holy Spirit into our hearts and minds.

The Catholic online site, Cruz reports:

"Celebrating Mass May 20 in St. Peter's Basilica, the Pope said the Bible, especially the Acts of the Apostles, makes it clear that the Holy Spirit brings a real power to change individuals and the church.

"The Spirit frees hearts chained by fear," the Pope said in his homily. *"To those content with half measures he inspires whole-hearted generosity. He opens hearts that are closed."*

"He impels the comfortable to go out and serve," the Pope continued. *"He drives the self-satisfied to set out in new directions. He makes the lukewarm thrill to new dreams. That is what it means to change hearts."*

To me, the Pope's words sum up the energy and renewing force of the Holy Spirit perfectly. Have a blessed Pentecost everyone.

Glenys Jakicevich - Deputy Principal

Elections close at noon tomorrow, Friday 7th June 2019



As advised by the New Zealand School Trustee Association yesterday, NZ Post will now ensure they scan the envelopes but if you wish to cast your vote by mailing it in, you must post it no later than today, Thursday 6th June to ensure your vote is counted and valid. For all others please bring the voting form enclosed in the envelope you were sent and place in the ballot box located on the school office counter. Votes will be counted on Thursday 13th June and results declared in the afternoon for the new Board to take office on 14th June 2019.

Board of Trustees Elections 2019 Timeline

*Nominations closed 12pm on 24th May

*Voting papers issued 29th May

*Voting closes 12pm on 7th June

*Votes counted and results declared 13th June

*Board take office 14th June 2019

Deborah Rudolph
Returning Officer
St. Francis Xavier Catholic School

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This Sunday's Readings:(Pentecost Sunday)

Acts 2:1-11, Romans 8:8-17; John 14:15-16, 23-26

Thought for the week:

'Too much complaining leaves little time for doing.'

Catholic Schools Day

We celebrated a wonderful Catholic Schools Day last Tuesday. It was made even more special by having St Joseph's Catholic School from Dargaville join us in our celebration of the Eucharist and whanau activities. The rain did not put a dampener on the day!

Mufti Day

Our next mufti day this term is tomorrow, Friday 07 June, for Epilepsy (NZ) – please bring a gold coin donation if wearing mufti. The children may choose to wear something purple, in recognition of Epilepsy NZ.

A Thank You Note from Sr Rachel Myriam (Luxford)

"Dear Craig, Staff, Parents and Students of St Francis Xavier,

It was a pleasure for me to spend time at the school during my last home holidays, thank you again for your warm welcome.

On behalf of ACAY Missions Philippines Inc. thank you for contributing to the work we do to offer a second chance to youth at risk and their families through the recent mufti-day.

Keeping you all in prayer and entrusting once again our mission to your prayers."

Sr Rachel Luxford.

Classes Attending a Tuesday Mass at 9:00

If you are able to, you are welcome to come and join your child's class when they attend Mass on a Tuesday morning. See timetable on right.

Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus School Mass

You are warmly invited to come and join us in celebrating the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, on **Friday 28th June at 1:30pm**, with a Mass.

Pastoral Care Basket

A reminder about our Pastoral Care basket that is situated underneath the statue of Mary, in the school office area. Non-perishable food items placed in this basket goes towards a family in need, in our community.

Yours in Christ,

Mrs Maria Wilson

DRS - Director of Religious Studies

Kauri Room 2 Room 3	11th June	Yr 1 Yr 3 & 4	Mrs Barber Whaea Sammie
Karaka Room 20 Room 17 Room 7	18th June	Yr 5 & 6 Yr 3 & 4 Yr 1	Mrs Wendt Whaea Rose Miss Wellington
Karaka Room 18 Room 19	25th June	Yr 5 & 6 Yr 3 & 4	Mrs Bassett Ms Malone
Rimu Room 21 Room 22 Room 23 Room 9	2nd July	Yr 2 Yr 5 & 6 Yr 3 & 4 Yr 1	Whaea Jacqui Mrs Hepi Mr Werder Ms Saunders

Kiwi North Presentation and African Drumming Show - \$2 per event

If you have not yet paid the subsidised cost of \$2 per child to attend these events please send your money in as soon as possible. We have received only half the expected amount to cover costs. Thank you.

PTFA News

Dear Families,

Whilst we had a small turn out at our recent AGM in May, the meeting was a productive and successful one. I am delighted to announce that

Mrs Kate McKenzie will continue as Secretary and we welcome back Mrs Jo Walker as Treasurer. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our out-going Treasurer, Mrs Anne-Marie Franks, who made such an enormous contribution over the past 12 months and gave so generously of her time.

Our next meeting is next **Wednesday 12th June at 7pm** in the staffroom. Following a brief meeting, the PTFA Committee are thrilled to invite Mr Nick Vun (one of our school Dads) to give a presentation on Anxiety Management, with a special focus on children. Nick is an Occupational Therapist who has worked in a diverse range of fields, from Mental Health through to Traumatic Brain Injury, Pain Management and Paediatrics. Nick spoke to our school community five years ago and many of us still recall the valuable information he shared. We hope you will all join us for this presentation. Supper will be offered at the end of the evening. We look forward to welcoming you!



God Bless,

Serena Ross
Chairperson

We welcome these students who have started at our school this term,

Flynn Boykett, Julius and Terrence Busch, Sophie Chaplin-Hall,
Mira Chauhan, Oriana Coleman, Louis Hodgson Burkhardt Macrae,
Isla Keenan, Monty Klauss, Matthew and Sharon Muthurajah,
Karen Philip, Charlotte Russell, Deon Sibi, Xaviera Sainty, Layali Smith,
Hazel Xavier and Tanner Welch.



Student Success

One of our past pupils, Ben Hori-Elliott, is playing the lead role in the Whangarei Theatre company production of "Bugsy Malone." Ben plays Bugsy for the following shows 30th June Sunday 2pm performance 5th and 6th July 6 pm performance . Tickets available from Story Time or contact creativelynx@eznet.co.nz

Congratulations, Ben, and all the best for your performance.

Need a dental appointment for your child?
Call 0800MY TEETH (0800 6983384)



LOST PROPERTY

We seem to be fighting a losing battle with lost property. Yesterday I counted 30, **yes 30**, sweatshirts in the lost property box.

A small number of these sweatshirts are named, and they have been returned to students. The remainder have been redistributed to the second-hand uniform pool.

Please, please, please name all items of clothing. If you purchase an item from the PTFA second hand pool, **please remove the previous owner's name, and add the new owner's name.**



SECOND-HAND UNIFORMS

Do you need an extra uniform for the winter season?

Please fill out a request form at the office, our volunteers will deliver the uniforms to your child's class.

A donation can be given to office staff once uniforms have been supplied.

FREE PARENTING
HELPLINE
0800 568 856

all issues - all ages
9am - 9pm, 7 days a week
www.parenthelp.org.nz



ARRIVING AFTER 8.45AM

All children need to report to the school office if they arrive after school starts at 8.45am. Office staff will issue children with a late pass for the class teacher then electronically mark the child as present. **It's vital that children are here on time, ready to start the day before the 8.45am bell goes.**

STUDENTS LEAVING DURING CLASS TIME

BEFORE COLLECTING YOUR CHILD: ALL parents and caregivers must report to the school office and collect a pass if you are collecting your child early or taking your child out briefly for an appointment. Please have your child report back in at the office when they return after an appointment.

If you have arranged for someone else to collect your child during school hours, who would NOT normally do so, please contact the school well in advance of their arrival otherwise we will need to call you to verify this arrangement **BEFORE** releasing your child.

EMAIL ADDRESS for STUDENT ABSENCES

Please note we have an email address for emailing your child's daily absence or any future absence.

This email address is:

absent@sfx.school.nz

You may still call the school to leave a message on Ph: 094371039, and call or text the school mobile on Ph: 027 2784303.

Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

\$500

ASB
ONE STEP AHEAD

Lending criteria and terms apply to home loans. Fees may apply. Eligibility criteria: documentation of the facility agreement must be done by 30 June 2019; mention of this promotion must take place during the home loan application process to ensure eligibility. Only applicable to loans which are secured by residential owner-occupied property with a minimum of 20% equity required; excludes lending through brokers; Limited to one donation per customer. Donation will be made to chosen school on complete draw down of the home loan. For full eligibility criteria, exclusions and further details see <https://www.asb.co.nz/promotions/supporting-success-in-your-school.html>

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SCHOOL EVENTS

Dates and times for events are subject to change.
Please check this fortnightly newsletter for any changes.

JUNE

6th		Kiwi North Presentation
7th		Board of Trustees Election Day - voting closes 12 noon
7th		Mufti Day - Epilepsy , please bring a gold coin donation
7th		Kiwi North Presentation
11th	9am	Kauri Rooms 2 and 3 attending Mass
12th	7pm	PTFA meeting - Nick Vun Presentation
12th		PTFA SAUSAGE SIZZLE \$2 (please place your order with the class teacher at the start of the day)
14th		New Board of Trustees take office
14th	1.30pm	School Assembly
18th	9am	Karaka Rooms 7, 17 and 20 attending Mass
18th	7pm	Board of Trustees Meeting
23rd	10am	Whanau Mass - Rimu Whanau (Rooms 9, 21, 22 and 23)
25th	9am	Karaka Rooms 18 and 19 attending Mass
28th	1.30pm	Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass School reports go home

JULY

2nd	9am	Rimu Rooms 9, 21, 22 and 23 attending Mass
3rd		PTFA SAUSAGE SIZZLE \$2 (please place your order with the class teacher at the start of the day)
3rd	1.30-6pm	Triadic (Parent/Teacher/Child) Interviews - classes will end at the earlier time of 1.15pm
4th	1.30-6pm	Triadic (Parent/Teacher/Child) Interviews - classes will end at the earlier time of 1.15pm
5th		Mufti Day - Bring a can. Please bring a can of non-perishable goods
5th	1.30pm	School Assembly
5th	2.50pm	Term 2 ends

All community notices may now be found on the school noticeboard
Holiday Programmes

Huanui College July 2019 School Holiday Programme

8th, 9th, and 12th July. 328 Ngunguru Road, Glenbervie. Programmes for ages 9 – 12 years (Year 5 - 7 students). 9am – 3pm. \$40 per child per day (refer to our website for more info). [Science/Ag, Sports & Adventure, Crafternoon](#)
See our website for full programme details and booking form

www.hc.school.nz Phone: 09-459-1930 Email: office@hc.school.nz

Safe Outdoors NZ Ltd presents "KIDS OUTDOORS - HUANUI" Holiday Programme

9th, 10th, 11th & 16th, 17th, 18th July. 9am – 3.30pm (early drop off / late pick up options available). Shuttle available from town (limited spaces). More details and to book: <https://safeoutdoors.co.nz/kids-outdoors-huanui-1>
From \$45 per child per day. Due to our winter break from the Limestone Rangers Programme, we will be running an Outdoor based programme in collaboration with Huanui College on the schools' extensive rural property.

Surf Programme

We are pleased to be once again offering our free holiday surf programme (please see form for eligibility) in the first week of the upcoming school holidays. We will provide the kids with warm wetsuits (or two) so they can enjoy the surfing! The link below will take you to all the information and booking form and please feel free to contact us with any questions.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSftlo-nSJ61luHkFrmFmaMXoJ9GWfZu3llquD8rVknYabKGpA/viewform>

Term Dates 2019

TERM 2

29th Apr to 5th Jul

TERM 3

22nd Jul to 27th Sept

TERM 4

14th Oct to 17th Dec*

***PLEASE NOTE OUR TERM END OF YEAR SCHOOL DATE IS TUESDAY THE 17TH DECEMBER AND NOT THE 18TH AS PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED.**



Pompallier Catholic College -
Parent, Teacher & Friends Association (PTFA)
P O Box 10-042, Te Mai, WHANGAREI 0143
Email: ptfa@pompallier.school.nz



Pompallier College PTFA Fundraising Dinner

- Sponsorship/Auction Items/Tickets -

The Pompallier College Parent, Teachers and Friends Association (PTFA) is organising an inaugural Pompallier College PTFA Fundraising Dinner, which is being held in the Pompallier College Hall on Saturday 22 June 2019.

This event forms the main fundraising opportunity for the PTFA with this year's fundraising going towards resurfacing the existing asphalt courts with a new synthetic multi-sport surface providing new outdoor opportunities for student and sporting activities.

To assist with this fundraising event, we are asking school families, local community and businesses if they can assist with any of the following options –

- **Auction Items** - Donation of goods or services to be auctioned on the night
- **Sponsor a Table** (\$100) - Signage and business cards on table acknowledging you as sponsor
- **Major Sponsor of event** (\$1000, \$750, \$500) - Acknowledgement on advertising and at event
- **Purchase of Dinner Tickets** (\$50pp) - For you as an individual or as a staff mid-winter outing

We very much appreciate your consideration of this request and sincerely hope that you can in some way be part of this event. If you are willing to support us, we will send an letter specific to your business, acknowledging your generous support.

Mark Going
Pompallier PTFA - Chair
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