



St Francis Xavier Catholic School

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

No.9 Thursday 20th June 2019

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

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Last night, the newly elected and appointed Board members met for the first time. They were joined by the outgoing Board and those returning. As a school community we wish them all well in their governance of our school and congratulate them on their willingness to put their names forward for consideration by you, our voting parents.

Last night was also an opportunity to thank the outgoing Board members for their contributions over the past few years. They have worked collegially and have been real assets to the development and vision of St Francis Xavier Catholic School.

I therefore wish to thank publicly Mr Guy McGregor and Mr Joe Crowley, Mr Aaron Crawford, Mr Dohl dela Cruz and Mrs Jacqui Hori-Hoult for their three years of dedication. We have been truly blessed to have had such an experienced and skilled Board of Trustees.



ROAD SAFETY

As you are aware, there was a tragic accident on Kamo Rd last week when a child from Whau Valley School attempted to cross the road. Our sincere thoughts and prayers are extended to the whanau of the child, his friends and teachers at this very sad time.

This is a timely reminder of the fragility of life and the need for us all to be conscious that children make spur of the moment decisions that can have dire consequences. It is a time for us, as adults, to reflect on the way we approach the school for pickups in the Parish car park, remind our children that they are not to go to Vege Twins after school without parent supervision and when cycling or scootering to school the correct protective equipment such as a helmet is worn. We can also model good road safety behaviour by **always** crossing on the pedestrian crossings on Percy Street. Your support would be very much appreciated.

SICKNESS

The winter bugs have returned and this week we have had a significant number of children with upset stomachs and various other illnesses. Please encourage your children to wash their hands and **if your child is sick then please don't send him or her to school**. If you are contacted by the office staff to collect your child then please do so as soon as you are able.



Craig McKernan
Principal

Family Worker

Our family worker, Shelley Crawford, who works with families from our school and Pompallier Catholic College, is available on Ph: 021 028 33587. You may contact her directly or leave a message at the school office that will be passed on to Shelley.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This Sunday's Readings: (The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ)

Genesis 14: 18-20; 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26; Luke 9: 11-17

Thought for the week:

'Do your best and let Jesus do the rest.'

Our focus in Religious Education is on the Church Strand.

***Yr 1 focus is Belonging.**

We belong to and participate and celebrate in communities such as our family, our school and our parish. The Church is a community of Christ's followers or disciples called together by the Holy Spirit to carry on Christ's mission in life today.

***Yr 2 focus is Gathering, Celebrating, Living God's Presence.**

Our local parish as it gathers, celebrates, lives and prays as a community, is a part of the Church which Jesus founded and is a sign which brings about God's presence and love in the world. Belonging to a parish is both a privilege and a responsibility.

***Yr 3&4 focus is Called to be like Jesus.**

The Scriptures record how Jesus called his disciples and apostles to follow him. Those who have been initiated into the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist are also called to carry on the mission of Jesus. They do this by worshipping God and serving and loving others and always acting with tika and pono.

***Yr 5&6 focus is The Church Celebrates.**

Central to the life of the Church is worship of God through prayer, proclamation of the Word and celebration of sacraments. Central to this worship is the weekly celebration of the Eucharist on the Lord's Day.

Sacramental Programme

Please pray this week for the children preparing for their First Communion on Sunday 23 June at 10am, having been confirmed on Wednesday (19th June.)

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.

Bring a Can Mufti Day

Our next mufti day is on the last day of Term 2, Friday 5th July. Please bring an item(s) of non-perishable food. These food items will be donated on your behalf to Soul Food, who feed people in need, and also St Vincent de Paul, who help make food parcels that are given out to those in our community who are in need.

Classes Attending a Tuesday Mass at 9:00

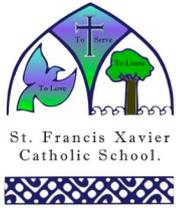
If you are able to, you are welcome to come and join your child's class when they attend Mass on a Tuesday morning.

Yours in Christ

Maria Wilson

DRS – Director of Religious Studies

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



St. Francis Xavier Catholic School
Board of Trustees Elections 2019
Declaration of Parent and Staff Election Results

Parent Representatives votes:

Susan Howell	87
Steve Macmillan	101
Mathew McKenzie	70
Maz Schlaff	69
Naushaba Todd-Jones	80
Matthew van den Bosch	84
Paul Yovich	78
Invalid votes	6

I hereby declare the following duly elected:-

Susan Howell
Steve Macmillan
Naushaba Todd-Jones
Matthew van den Bosch
Paul Yovich

Staff Representative:

As there was only 1 nomination received I hereby declare:
Jacqui Taylor as the Staff Representative.

Deborah Rudolph
Returning Officer

Triadic Parent-Teacher-Student Interviews
WED 3RD JULY AND THUR 4TH JULY

1.30 – 6.00pm

Interviews will be 15 minute intervals and parents and children are encouraged to attend.

Classes will end at the earlier time of 1.15pm on these days.

Appointments can be made online.

Go to: www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Enter the booking code: **epxjz** (lowercase)

Follow the instructions.

If you have any problems or need help booking an appointment please contact the school office.

*We welcome these students who have started
at our school recently,*

*Saira Aby, Felix Andrae-van den Bosch and
Senushi Fernando*



STUDENT ABSENCE

Please make sure you contact the **office** if your child is going to be absent, not just the classroom teacher as sometimes they too are away unwell.

The email address for emailing your child's daily absence or any future absence through to the school is

absent@sfx.school.nz

You may also either call the school/ leave a message on Ph: 09 4371039, and/or call or text the school on 027 2784303.

Please note that if we do not hear from you we mark your child as truant.

Nits/Headlice and Treatment

These little critters are making their presence felt again. Our Public Health Nurse has advised us of a remedy they are recommending for the treatment of nits. Regular coconut oil mixed with white vinegar will coat the hair strand, making it difficult for lice and eggs to attach, and will heal wounds created by feeding lice. This mixture can be rubbed through the scalp and hair like a gel or put in a spray bottle and sprayed through hair strands. Quantities depend on hair length so experimentation may be required to get a mixture that suits you.

Regular combing is a MUST for at least a month. Often it appears that children are reinfected but the incubation period of each egg is seven days (and a mature louse can lay eggs for 30 days) so if you miss a single egg it can hatch into a nymph seven days later and reinfest the hair.

PTFA News

Good afternoon families,

Thank you to those who attended last week's meeting and presentation by Nick Vun on Anxiety Management. Nick spoke about what anxiety is, how we can identify it and what strategies we can use to manage it. We are super grateful to him for sharing his knowledge and experience. It was a very interesting and informative evening.

Our sausage sizzle leader, Pip Dickson, is on the look out for more 'Sizzlettes' and 'Sizzlads'. If you can spare 3 hours, one Wednesday per month, please get in touch. Pip's number is (021) 705517. Your time is greatly appreciated!

We are hosting a special information evening for our school community on **Thursday 29th August** (Week 6, Term 3). At this event, **Lyn Smith from the Catholic Institute** in Auckland will be giving a presentation on **'Encounter Christ in the Here and Now'**. Both Mr McKernan and Mrs J highly recommend Lyn as an entertaining speaker and endorse the topic she will be speaking about. Please mark your diaries now!

Thanks for your support everyone.

God Bless,
Serena Ross
PTFA Chairperson

John-Henry Westen presentation – FREE EVENT/BYO LUNCH/Q&A

One-day forum discussing how to navigate the serious challenges young people face today, and how encountering Christ helps us to flourish and leads to true freedom. When: Saturday 6th July, 10am to 3pm. Where: Ellerslie Event Centre, Great Northern Theatre, 100 Ascot Ave, Remuera, Auckland.

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. **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.

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Children's Medication

If your child requires any form of medication to be administered at school during school hours please **do not** send the medication in with your child. A parent or caregiver must complete a form at the office allowing our staff members to administer the medication.



Northland District Health Board have advised us that Northland has now had nine confirmed cases of measles this year, with six of those cases occurring in the last two weeks.

They are asking schools to do everything they can to lessen the impact of measles on their community.

The most effective way is to ensure as many students as possible are up to date with their MMR vaccinations.

Thank you to those parents who have responded to requests sent out for this information.

Measles in Northland schools

Please vaccinate your child or young person if they have not had one measles (MMR) vaccine. It is free at your general practice.

Students in a class with someone who has measles may be asked to stay home for up to two weeks, if they have had no MMR vaccinations.

Students with one or more MMR vaccinations can still attend school.

Check your child's immunisation records in their Well Child/Tamariki Ora book or ring your general practice.

Anyone believing they have been exposed to measles or exhibiting symptoms should not go to the ED or after hours' clinic or GP.

Instead call Healthline free on **0800 611 116** for advice and information from a trusted registered nurse, anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Symptoms:

cough, runny nose, fever, sore red eyes, then a rash.

www.northlanddhb.org.nz

NORTHLAND DISTRICT
HEALTH BOARD

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SCHOOL EVENTS

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

JUNE

23rd	10am	Whanau Mass - Rimu Whanau (Rooms 9, 21, 22 and 23)
24th		Yr 5 & Yr 6 attending Matariki at Pompallier Catholic College
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 (Booking code: epxjz)
4th	1.30-6pm	Triadic (Parent/Teacher/Child) Interviews - classes will end at the earlier time of 1.15pm (Booking code: epxjz)
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, Craft afternoon](#) 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/1FAIpQLSftIo->

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

Saturday 22nd June, 6:30pm

3 Course Meal, Cash Bar, Auction, Formal attire

To purchase tickets - phone 021 920 499 or
email: ptfa@pompallier.school.nz

Gold Sponsor  (M&A Partner)

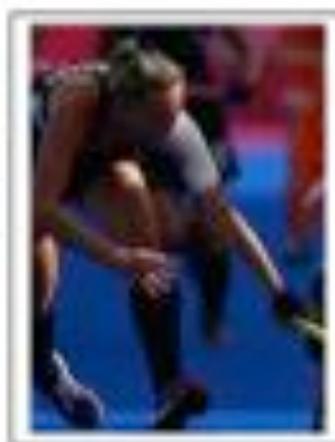
Raising funds for a multi-sport playing surface

Dinner Speakers...



Ady McKenzie
Pompallier Head Girl
NZ elite Triathlete/runner
Auckland Marathon winner (twice)
1st woman - SkyTower Firefighter Star
Climb (2018 & 2019)
2nd Woman LLS Firefighter Star Climb
(2018, Seattle USA)

Alana Millington
New Zealand Hockey Stick Star
London Olympian



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tickets