

Ss Peter & Paul School

Newsletter

Kia ora Parents and Caregivers,

from the Principal

Many thanks for all your support during this most unusual of terms where together, we managed our way through the Levels and back to a feeling of normality again. It has certainly been a time of learning and reflection for us all. I can't speak highly enough of the way that our staff and students have responded to the challenges and flexibility needed for distance learning and the ease with which they have settled back into school again. I wish them a well deserved break over the next two weeks and hope that this time goes well for all our parent community too.

Reporting to parents

On Friday students will bring home an interim progress report. As previously mentioned, the period of distance learning has meant we have adapted the way we approach this report, especially with such close proximity to the learning conferences. It will provide summary statements of progress, make links to the learning conference conversations and to examples of rich learning tasks that students will bring home to share with you. I particularly enjoy reading the students' personal voice coming through in the section on areas of strength and interest across the curriculum. Their insights into themselves as learners and as individuals, particularly in relation to our school values, have been an absolute pleasure to read.

Ngā mihi

Kay Tester

Special Character

Ss Peter and Paul Feast Day

Thank you to all the families who joined us in celebrating the Feast of Saint Peter and Saint Paul. It was great to share this special occasion with you. After celebrating Mass with Father Patrick, students enjoyed showing their classroom to their whanau. Following lunch, students buddied up with another class to spend some time building relationships, playing games or doing some arts and crafts. Here is a photo of the day.





On **Friday 3 July** the last day of school there will be a school Mufti Day where students can wear their own choice of clothing. This will be a gold coin donation. We are collecting and donating the money for our Parish's refugee fund.

Tuesday 30 June 2020

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Last day of Term 2 Friday 3 July **School finishes** 2.50pm

Preference Certificates

Parents wishing to apply to Catholic Schools & Colleges, certificate signing is at the SSPP Parish Wed 1 July 3pm-5pm or 630-730pm. Baptism certificates of children or parents must be brought along for obtaining approval of preference.





SCHOOL UPDATTES



All lost property will be on display in the walkway/ tunnel area on Thursday this week. If you are missing any items please come and have a look through. Thank you.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

- Sushi & Subway delivered to Ss Peter & Paul School weekly
- It's simple; all you need to do is register a www.lunchonline.co.nz
- Register an account
- Add member/s including your child's nam school and classroom
- Make a payment so you have funds in you account before you order
- Select your lunch and place an order





CROSS COUNTRY

Thanks to all those parents who were able to join us for this event at Hutt Rec on a day that can only be described as glorious on the weather front. Once again it was pleasing to see the effort made by all students as they took part in the competitive or participation event. A special thanks to Clare Molenaar who stepped in to take the role of starter for us.

A list of those who qualified has been posted on the school sports' board.

The Zone event is on 4 August, Interzone 18 August and Regionals 8 September.

Congratulations to Year group winners in our competitive event:

Arnika Lahood, Jane Doyle, Stanley Campbell, Georgia Sparrow, Samuel Li, Connie Reed, Samuel McGrath and Olive Hall.

SWIMMING

Thanks to those who supported our successful trials on 19 June especially Angela Moriarty, Michelle Ruocco and Nicola Taylor who took charge of timing with support from Year 8. Our team has been notified but no events identified as yet as there is some discussion on how Zone and Interzone events will operate in Term 3 as a number of schools did not complete swimming events in Term 1 and 2.

BASKETBALL

Netball, Miniball and Tiniball have been busy with grading games preparing for a full on season next term when Year 3.4 will also start their netball.

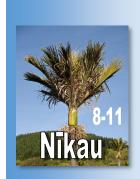
We will also have a Waterpolo team in action with Year 5,6 during Term 3.

Excess Uniform Items

Families over the last year have kindly donated school uniform items to be used as spare clothing. We do however, have quite an excess now and would like to offer these to our school community. Items will be set up in Room 16 (sKids before/after school care) on Friday 3 July from 8.30am-2.15pm. Our community supporting our families.







Since being back at school our focus in art has been on observational drawing. Room 9 looked especially at Nikau Trees. We had noticed one growing in our neighbours garden and spent an afternoon outside sketching parts of this tree. We also walked around our school block and counted 14 other Nikau palms in our neighbourhood. Here are our sketches.









Next we looked at a painting by Heather Wilson that shows part of a Nikau Tree. We looked at the colours she had used, how she shaded, and what she had done to make her painting look so real. Then Mrs Cumming gave us pastels and black paper and look what we did!

We think they are super impressive and look amazing on our wall.





















The students in the Pohutukawa area have created some fabulous artwork linked to their learning in Religious Education.

Stained Glass Windows.....The students selected images and symbols that represented their faith and place here in the Hutt Valley to create their designs.











Photography Art....

The students combined a lot of different skills to create these images. They had to reflect on what faith -whakapono, hope - tūmanako and love - aroha means to them and how it is present in their lives. They then had to use different digital technology skills and devices to take photos of objects that represented faith, hope and love and digitally manipulate them to fit into the arrows to create meaning in their artwork.















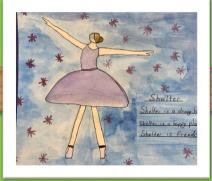
We have been looking at shelter as part of our inquiry, art and our writing. We have been discussing the difference between man-made and natural shelters as well as looking at emotional, physical, and spiritual shelters. Part of this was writing poetry and completing a piece of art using watercolours. Here are some of our shelter poems and the artwork we completed to go with them.













PTA EVENTS



PTA Facebook Page

Keep up with all the latest school community and fundraising events by joining the PTA Facebook page



<u>click here</u> to join PTA Facebook



Entertainment Book

Entertainment has gone 100% digital, this year there are no physical books available to purchase.

All new memberships are valid for 12 months from date of activation rather than 1 June as in previous years.

Your support is gratefully appreciated. Click on the link to purchase your copy.

Click here to order your copy

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Absences

parents/caregivers call between 7.30-9.00am extn 1 if your child will be absent or late

Information for u

for up to date school activities and cancellations use extn 2

Thank you for your ongoing support
Mā te Atua koutou e manaaki, e tiaki hoki
May God bless and care for you
Kind regards *Kay Tester - Principal*



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School Policy & Procedures

Login details are on the Parent Portal under About Us

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etap@school parent portal etap@school app

(forgot your password contact Lisa in the school office)



