Ss Peter and Paul School

Term 2 Week 8

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OUR WEBSITE

PARENT WEBSITE

Kia ora Parents and Caregivers,

We are delighted to welcome you back to Term 2 and hope you had a wonderful Easter holiday with your families. We trust that the school holidays provided a time for rest, reflection, and meaningful moments with those you love.

Welcome to Term 2

We begin Term 2 with a strong focus on our school community, learning, and the wellbeing of our children. This term includes **Mission Week**, **Redwood Week**, **Mackillop Week**, **Williams Week**, **Rata Week**, **Nikau Week**, and **Matariki**, ensuring a balanced and vibrant term for our tamariki.

Learning Conferences

Learning Conferences will be held on Friday, 24 April. These conferences provide an opportunity for meaningful conversations about your child's learning, progress, and next steps.

We ask that parents attended online meetings with their child's teacher. This allows students to share their learning and reflect on their progress in a supportive environment. Booking details will be shared closer to the date.

We also ask that parents attend conferences in person if they are able to do so, as this supports strong partnerships between home and school.

Mission Week

Mission Week is a time to celebrate our Catholic faith and the mission of our school community. This week will include prayer, reflection, and opportunities for our children to connect with their faith and with one another.

Health Consultations

Health consultations will be held on Friday, 24 April. These consultations provide an opportunity for parents to discuss their child's health, development, and any concerns they may have. We encourage parents to make use of these valuable opportunities to support their child's wellbeing.

PTA Mission Week Cake Stall

The PTA will be hosting a cake stall during Mission Week. This is a great way to support our school community and enjoy some delicious treats. We look forward to seeing many of our families attending, supporting, and enjoying this fun event.

Parent Helpers

This year, we are seeking volunteers for parent helper roles. If you are interested in supporting our school community, please let your child's teacher know.

SPECIAL CHARACTER

Year 6 Pop Rock

Year 6 Pop Rock has been busy practicing for our first show of the year. Thank you to those who were able to join us on the Friday afternoon.

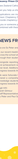
Introduction Day

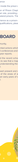
Introduction Day with Hailey Sculthorp, Wednesday 30 July at Ss Peter and Paul School, Hamilton.

Hailey is a Christian author and speaker, a journalist specialising in Catholic and Christian stories, and a mum of three. She is the Director of Hope and Life Ministries, and the Mother of Mercy and of Lourdes the pilgrimage of Hope and Life Ministries. Hailey's work spans books, podcasts, and pilgrimages, with a deep passion for sharing the Gospel and supporting families in their faith journey.

Hailey's most recent book, *Mother of Mercy, Mother of Lourdes*, explores Marian spirituality and the Catholic life of prayer. Her work is rooted in hope, truth, and the mission to help people encounter God in ordinary life.

Aaron Ellis Band Guest of the Association Mass, Tuesday 19 August, 9.00am





MESSAGES FROM OUR NZ BISHOPS

Bishop Judge of Catholic Education Aotearoa New Zealand and Bishop Steven Lowe Hamon

Bishop Steven Lowe Hamon and Bishop Stephen Lowe Hamon have been appointed as the Episcopal Vicars for Catholic Education and Catholic Schools. Bishop Steven Lowe Hamon will be responsible for Catholic Education Aotearoa New Zealand, and Bishop Stephen Lowe Hamon will be responsible for Catholic Schools. Bishop Steven Lowe Hamon will be based in Wellington, and Bishop Stephen Lowe Hamon will be based in Auckland. Bishop Stephen Lowe Hamon will also be the Episcopal Vicar for Pasifika Ministries, and Bishop Steven Lowe Hamon will be the Episcopal Vicar for Ministry to Young People and Vocations.

Bishop Stephen Lowe Hamon is a native of Samoa, and was ordained a priest in Samoa in 1994. He was first ordained a bishop in Samoa in 2004, and was appointed Bishop of Auckland in 2014. Bishop Steven Lowe Hamon is a native of Samoa, and was ordained a priest in Samoa in 1994. He was ordained a bishop in Samoa in 2004, and was appointed Bishop of Wellington in 2014.

Bishop Stephen Lowe Hamon and Bishop Steven Lowe Hamon are cousins, and are the nephews of Bishop Pio Tamai, who was the first native Samoan bishop, and who was the bishop who ordained Bishop Stephen Lowe Hamon and Bishop Steven Lowe Hamon to the episcopacy.

Bishop Stephen Lowe Hamon and Bishop Steven Lowe Hamon are also cousins of Bishop Peter Tagi,