

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We hope this message finds you well and warm in this winter term. It was great to see our students smiling faces back at school today. Please find below a couple of important notices and upcoming dates for your calendar as we head into term 3.

Literacy Learning

As we wrap up our persuasive writing and debating, we will move into a unit of work on descriptive writing and Narratives. Our reading comprehension focus this term will be looking at articles about New Zealand's history of immigration and this year's upcoming elections.

Maths Learning

Our math learning for the first half of the term will be about algebra. We encourage you to discuss this at home with your child and ask them to show you what they have been doing in class.

Religious Education

The liturgical year will be our focus at the start of term 3 as we learn about ordinary time and the assumption of Mary. We will then move on to learning all about the history of our Catholic Church.

IMPORTANT DATES

Feast Day Mass - Thursday 20th July, whole school event.

SHC Performing Arts Roadshow - Wednesday 26th July, out of school trip.

Matariki Celebration Day - Thursday 27th July, whole school event.

Gardasil Vaccination 2nd Dose - Tuesday 15th August.

Learning Conferences - Wednesday 6th September & Thursday 14th September.

Science Roadshow - Thursday 7th September. This is an out of school trip.

Production Casting & Rehearsals - We will be staging a production as part of our drama programme with a performance date in term 4. Students will be invited to put their hands up for a speaking part, non speaking part or backstage/arts department/technical assistant role. Please take some time to discuss with your daughter the way in which they would like to participate. A school production is very relaxed and an excellent way for students to have a go at something new. Our productions are always great fun and we aim to have a matinee performance for the school and an evening performance for families.

As always, thank you for your continued support and please do not hesitate to call in to see us should you have any questions or send us an email through admin@stpeterpaul.school.nz if you would like us to call you.

Ngā mihi nui,

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