



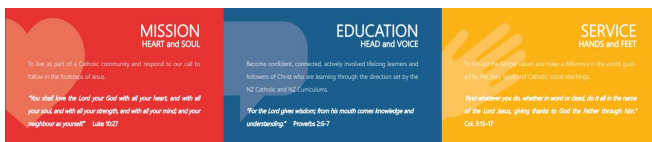
ST COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Te Kura O Hato Karama

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE :

Welcome back to Week 7 of Term 4!

Kia Ora Koutou



I would like to take this opportunity to thank the PTFA, SCCS children, parents and teachers for the fabulous efforts for our first Gala in 16 years. We raised \$10,000 on the night - thank you to everyone who contributed and thank you for bringing family members and friends with you to support our Gala.

The PTFA have already put the fundraising to good use. \$4500 will be used to cover the cost of the Swim Safe Programme for all children, this means no cost to any families for swimming this term; another \$7000 has been contributed to technology resources. The PTFA are currently researching the cost to install a

cycle/scooter track in and around the school field. We can't thank the PTFA enough for their continued support of our school and the fundraising they do to support classroom programmes, resources and the curriculum.

This term our focus has been "Service to Others". The children have all had the experience of authentic learning and what it has meant to us all as we look at the true virtue of giving and being able to support others.

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, Term 4 is always a busy term. Please read through the newsletter and make a note of any important dates. You are invited to a variety of end of year celebrations in the proceeding weeks, these will be occasions that provide me with the opportunity to thank you all for your commitment to our school and also take the time to showcase our children.

God Bless,
Gareth Duncan - Principal

Mark your calendars:

- Whanau Night - a celebration of the talents developing at SCCS. Along with our Kapa Haka Groups will be a performance from our Filipino children and Community - **Wed 5th December**
- SCCS Sports prizegiving - **Thursday 6th December at 6pm** in the Hall. This is an event that celebrates the efforts of all our athletes who have contributed to SCCS (and Saints) sports teams this year.
- Classroom certificate assembly - **Monday 17th December at 1.30pm**
- End of Term Mass - **Thursday 20th December** at 11am. Our farewell to the Year 8's.

The Hits Toy Run is here at SCCS for 2018 and our school has been invited to be involved!

The Toy Bus will be here (week 8 – next week) on Friday, December 7th 2018 @ 11am



“Ever since starting The Hits Toy Run, we’ve gone from collecting 6,000 toys to well over 10,000 for St Vincent De Paul which is distributed to families in need and kids in time for Christmas, with the end result that every family in the Waikato receives a present on Christmas Day.” Please consider how you might be able to help us with the Toy Run; adults and children can donate any new or pre-loved toys to the cause. Vehicles and staff from Vinnies and The Hits will be collecting from various locations.

Our school and students can bring a present for the Toy Run for Friday the 7th of December 2018, at 11am.

Many thanks from, Tawa and all SCCS students

Merry Christmas from all of us, the Vinnies and the team at The Hits!

[Kōwhiri Whānau](#)

- Advent starts - **Monday 3rd December**
- PTFA Meeting - **Monday 3rd December** at 7pm in the Staffroom
- NWPS Athletics - Porritt Stadium **Tuesday 4th December**
- Whaanau Night **5th December** at 6pm
- Yr 8's Rainbows End Trip - **Friday 7th December**
- Volunteers Morning tea thank you - **11th December @ 10:45am** in the Hall.
- Mufti Day **Wednesday 12th December** - PTFA

- Carols and Picnic Evening - **Wednesday 12th December 5:00pm** start and Carols at 6pm in the Church.
- Yr 8 Retreat - **Friday 14th December**
- Pizza Day - **14th December**
- Reports go home - **14th December**
- Mission Day Team 4 - **Wednesday 19th December**
- Meet your 2019 teacher - **19th December**
- End of Term Mass - **Thursday 20th December at 11am**
- Last day of school - **20th December**

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Term 1 - Monday 4th Feb - Friday 12th April
Term 2 - Monday 29th April - Friday 5th July
Term 3 - Monday 22nd July - Friday 27th Sept
Term 4 - Monday 14th Oct - Thursday 19 Dec

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We would like to clarify with parents that SCCS is not a school that welcomes mobile phones as part of the learning programme, nor do we see the importance of phones being at school during the day. We are collecting all phones from your children at the moment to ensure safety and to stop the use of them during the breaks. Please note that children do not need a phone at school and have full access to the school phone from the office at any time. We would like all parents to support this rule.

Along with all schools in New Zealand, we have a responsibility to act when bullying that occurs outside the school has a negative impact on the school's learning environment. This is a timely reminder that Instagram and other social media tools are not legally available to children under the age of 13yrs. There are excellent resources, guidelines and supports for parents through Netsafe: <https://www.netsafe.org.nz/> t

The 10 Communication Principles

A digital communication shouldn't:

- 1 disclose sensitive personal facts about an individual;
- 2 be threatening, intimidating, or menacing;
- 3 be grossly offensive to a reasonable person in the position of the affected individual;
- 4 be indecent or obscene;
- 5 be used to harass an individual;
- 6 make a false allegation;
- 7 contain a matter that is published in breach of confidence;
- 8 incite or encourage anyone to send a message to an individual for the purpose of causing harm to the individual;
- 9 incite or encourage an individual to commit suicide; or
- 10 denigrate an individual by reason of his or her colour, race, ethnic or national origins, religion, gender, sexual orientation or disability.



NEWS:
REMINDER.....

**SUMMER BUSINESS HOURS
OVER THE CHRISTMAS
BREAK 2018-2019**

DECEMBER 2018

Thursday 20th December 2018

OPEN 12.30-5.30pm

(12.30-2.45pm \$10 flat rate then ASC rates apply)
BOOK IN NOW TO SECURE YOUR SPACE!

Friday 21st December 2018

OPEN 8am-5.30pm

(\$35 per child per day, flat rate)
BOOK IN NOW TO SECURE YOUR SPACE!

Monday 24th Dec to Friday 28th Dec 2018

CLOSED

Monday 31st Dec to Friday 4th Jan 2019

CLOSED

Monday 7th Jan to Friday 11th Jan 2019

CLOSED

Monday 14th Jan to Friday 18th Jan 2019

CLOSED

JANUARY 2019 - HOLIDAY PROGRAMME DATES

**WEEK 1 - Monday 21st January 2019 to 25th
January 2019 OPEN 8am-5.30pm**

**WEEK 2 - Tuesday 29th January 2019 to 1st
February 2019 OPEN 8am-5.30pm**

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**TERM 1, 2019 - 1st week back at school - Monday
4th February 2019**

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be available from the office or Kids Club or you can
email Debs direct Kidsclub@sccs.school.nz
If you did attend our last Holiday Programme at Kids
Club then you will receive an email shortly direct
from Kids Club.

Donations:

Kids Club love fruit so if you have any fruit that is
extra and going to waste in your backyard this
summer then let us know, we enjoy extra fruit in the
hot weather.

General Kids Club reminders:

- Please remember to **text the Kids Club mobile 021 586633** if your children are going to be absent from their booked in session or plans change. This is very much appreciated for time reasons and for safety also.
- **Hats, Hats, Hats.....** Term 1 and Term 4, school and Kids Club rule (Sun Safety) all children must wear a sun hat during outside play during these terms. Any hat will do for Kids Club.
- **Full school uniform must be worn home each night** from school and Kids Club (with the exception of sporting or other school activities). This rule is a great one which we as Kids Club staff and some as parents love as this stops our lost property from growing so fast each afternoon and also helps save our parents time looking for shoes, dresses which have been left behind.
- Friendly reminder that our Kids Club accounts are to be paid weekly (unless an arrangement has been made with accounts at the school office). Any concerns about accounts can be emailed to kidsclub@sccs.school.nz or the accounts department at the school office account@sccs.school.nz

Kids Club are collecting the following items for our Summer Holiday Programme Craft days:

- Hummus/Dip size plastic lids (clean please)
- Plastic fruit n jelly cups (clean please)
- Small clean baby food glass jars

Holiday Programme reminder - January 2019 Summer Holiday Programme information is out now so get in quick to avoid missing out. Flyer attached. Enrolment forms available from Kids Club or email Deb at Kidsclub@sccs.school.nz .

IMPORTANT NOTICE :

All accounts are required to be paid and uptodate as we head towards the end of the school year. The school cannot afford to carry the debt of overdue accounts so please make every effort to clear your fees and Kids Club accounts as soon as possible. Putting an automatic payment in place may be the solution for you. Please contact Andrea in the office if you wish to discuss your account or make a payment arrangement. Ph. 07 847 9322 or email accounts@sccs.school.nz

Catholic Character News

WITH HEARTS BURNING

2018 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Join Bishop Steve, with your Generosity, to build a stronger Faith Community today

Dedicated to providing the financial support for the evangelisation of the Catholic Diocese of Hamilton



SUPPORT HIS APPEAL TODAY
bishopappeal.cdh.nz
fredr@cdh.org.nz
07 856 6989



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ADVENT IS COMING!

This Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent. Advent is observed for the month of December, in the lead-up to Christmas. The first Sunday in Advent marks the beginning of the Church's Liturgical Calendar.

The word "advent" comes from the Latin word "adventus", which means "coming" or "arrival". Advent is a time of waiting and preparing for the coming of Jesus. We prepare for the celebration of Christmas, the anniversary of the first coming of Jesus to us. We also prepare for him to come again at our death or at the end of time.



The Sunday readings in Advent reflect these themes of waiting, longing and hope for the coming of Jesus. The readings of the First Sunday of Advent look forward to the Second Coming of Jesus at the end of time. On the Second and Third Sundays the readings are about the role of John the Baptist who came to 'prepare the way of the Lord'. On the Fourth Sunday of Advent the Gospel is about the events which lead up to and follow the birth of Jesus.



The liturgical colour worn of Advent is purple but it is a time of joyful preparation rather than being a penitential season. Purple was once the colour of royalty and it is used in Advent to signify the coming of Christ and his kingdom.

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Every day during Advent our school will stop and pray The Angelus at 12:00pm. The Angelus is a traditional prayer that reminds us of the Annunciation, when the Angel Gabriel appeared to Mary to tell her that God had chosen her to be the mother of His Son and our Lord, Jesus Christ.

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; U'U – Wow what a wonderful community event! The children (& staff) put so much work into their fabulous stalls and they should all be very proud of what they achieved. Together we raised a whopping \$10,086!! The 2018 St Columba's gala was the first gala we have held here as a School since 2002, let's make Gala 2019 bigger & better!



Gdcbgcf – We would like to say a big THANK YOU to the following individuals and businesses that generously donated towards our gala: **7fUZYX' GJ[bgZA Y[UA JfY%\$'Fi U_i fUZH< @fHcHU'< Yd' @XZ7fYX]hl b]cb< Ua J]rcbž: `i \ `Yf'7 cblfUM]b[@XZCi f'D'UMW DfYgW cc'ž7\ Jda i b_gžGdYYXmi @ VY/ 'HnfYŽK YghYbX'D\ Ufa UMž @ZYgmY' A YUgž>i IU7cbgi `h]b['@XZ7\ YZF YUXmiA YUgž A U]JU>cbYgžA] Y/ '>J''6 ck `Yf/ 'H Y A UX' 6i MW Yf.** SCCS PTFA would like to extend their thanks to all the staff of SCCS (teachers, administration, leadership & support staff) for their support & help both in the lead-up and on the evening of the gala. Thanks also to the parents for supporting our School & the children for their hard work on their stalls.

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- \$4,500 - for Swimsafe sessions for all children at SCCS
- \$7000 - for technology resourcing
- \$1000 - sponsorship for 2 breakfast sessions this year

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- Mufti Day 12th December
- Carols Evening 12th December – Bring along the family and a picnic dinner and enjoy Christmas carols with our children in the Church after your picnic. A great community event to celebrate the coming of Christmas and the end of the year.
- Pizza Day – Friday 14th December. Notices will come home closer to the time. These can be ordered on individual dates or paid for in advance. Pizza orders must be in by Wednesday 3pm, before the date. No late orders can be taken.
- My Vitabag reusable produce bags – Order forms are on Facebook and in the School newsletter.
- Nothing Naughty Protein Bars – Order forms are on Facebook. Last order for the year so please

get your orders in by 14th December.

Next PTFA meeting is 3 December at 7pm in the staffroom. All purchases and contributions are voluntary, not compulsory. Thank you for supporting us and your children.

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ARE you interested in being a friend of the PTFA - you don't have time for meetings, but to be on a roster of supporting certain events would be just what might suit? Please fill in the form below and send to school with your child.

Return slip

Name:.....
 Childs Name:.....
 Contact details:
 Mobile.....
 Email address:.....
 I am more than happy to help with: (please tick)

- Pizzas
- Juice selling on a lunch day
- Quiz Night planning
- School Disco support
- Gala 2019

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SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS AND HOURS

The school office will be open on the following days for all enquiries i.e. enrolments and school uniform purchases :

**Tuesday 29th January 2019
 Wednesday 30th January 2019 and
 Thursday 31st January 2019**



RESULTS : TEAM 4 WEEK 5-6

BASKETBALL	Opposition	Results
Saints Gold Wk 5	vs KBC Clippers	Lost 12 - 66
Wk 6	vs Peachgrove Slam dunkers	Won 40 - 36
Saints Blue Wk 5	vs Whakawatea Kotiro	Lost 22 - 40
Wk 6	vs SDA Thunder	Lost 30 - 39
Saints Green Wk 5	vs Peachgrove Lay-Up Kings	Won 35 - 24
Wk 6	vs Ngahinapouri Warriors	Won 39 - 20
Yr 5/6 SC Pythons Wk 5	vs Puketaha Strikers	Lost 29 - 42
Wk 6	vs Vardon Lakers	Won 29 - 22
Yr 3/4 SC Knights Wk 5	vs Frankton Warriors	Lost 21 - 29
Wk 6	vs Puketaha	Won 35 - 31
TOUCH		
Yr 1/2 SC Bobcats Wk 5	vs Southwell Speedy	
Wk 6	vs Free Flow	
Yr 3/4 SC Puma Wk 5	vs Te Rapa All Sorts	
Wk 6	vs Whitora Wehi	
Yr 5/6 SC Lynx Wk 5	vs Mixed U10	Won
Wk 6	vs Frankton Falcons	Lost
Yr 5/6 SC Cougar Wk 5	vs Crawshaw Black	Won 11 - 1
Wk 6	vs Forest Lake Taniwha	Won 5 - 3

SPRING NETBALL		
Yr 3 SC Ferns Wk 5	vs Hukanui Ferns	Won 19 - 3
Wk 6	vs Frankton Stormers	Won 11 - 1
Yr 5 SC Kiwi Wk 5	vs Hukanui Shooters	Lost
Wk 6	vs Frankton Blue	
Yr 6 SC Magic Wk 5	vs HNS Goals	Won 16 - 8
Wk 6	vs St Joseph's	Won 22 - 2
Yr 8 SC Gold Wk 5	vs Fairfield Yellow	Won
Wk 6	vs Southwell Diamonds	Lost 15 - 21
LACROSSE		
Saints Thunder Wk 5	vs Peachgrove Pandas	Won 17 - 1
Wk 6	vs CMS Leopard	Won 16 - 4

Saints United 2019 Basketball Trials



Trials are for all 2019 Yr 7 & 8 students wanting to play basketball. This trial is for students keen to trial for the Saints A/Gold Basketball team. Trials are not compulsory & students are still able to play if they choose not to trial. Yr 7 & 8 players on Tuesday afternoon at either YMCA or Fraser High.

Trials information

Date: Monday 10th December

Time: 4:00 - 5:00pm

Where: St John's College, Gym

If students are keen to trial please register by sending an email or text with : Child's name & parent contact details. Email

teoko.peterson@gmail.com or ph: 021-686-932.

Congratulations to our students who have been selected for the Waikato U15 Basketball Squad.
Carter Hamlin, Devantae Te Moni-Rua, Coeyn Lockington, Dylan Hau



Over the next week I will be updating the website with Term 1, 2019 Sports and will open registrations. Here are some sports available next year.

Sport	Age Grade	Day	Venue
Basketball	All ages	Tues—Fri	Ymca or Fraser
Touch	All Ages	Thursday	Swarbrick Park
Cricket	All ages	Friday or Sat	City Wide
Softball	Yr. 5- 8	Sat	Resthills Park
T Ball	Yr. 1 - 4	Sat Morning	Resthills Park

St Columbas Catholic School

2018 SPORTS PIZEGIVING



Recognising our awesome sports community.

DATE: THURSDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2018

TIME: 6.00PM

VENUE: TE MANAWA, SCHOOL HALL

ALL PLAYERS & FAMILY WELCOME

Awards presentation will be followed by a shared meal. Please bring a small plate for the table.

To gauge interest in this evening, please let us know if you can attend.
Text "SPG with number attending" to 021-686-932.







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Parent By- Election results

School Name : **St Columba's Catholic School**

Board of Trustees By-Election Declaration of Parent By-Election Results

Parent representatives votes:

Name	Votes
Peters, Richard	69
Sutton, Richard	19
Invalid Votes	14

I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Name
Peters, Richard

Pauline Haydon
Returning Officer

