



ST COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Te Kura O Hato Karama



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE :

Term 3, Week 9, Thursday 19th September 2019

Welcome back to Week 9

We have had a number of exciting things happening in our school over the last few weeks and we welcome home our AIMS Athletes who all participated with heaps of energy and commitment. I would like to acknowledge all those people who contributed to making this a very successful week for our students - thank you.

A reminder that you can register your children into summer sports, available at SCCS on our web site under sport and follow the registration process. The codes that we support with are Lacrosse, Basketball and Hockey. If you need any

more information about sporting opportunities, please do not hesitate to contact our Schools Sports Coordinator - Te Oko Peterson.

Please be aware that our senior school is on camp next week (from Tuesday - Friday). Therefore our before and after school road patrollers will all be at camp. We ask if you could please help with our road and crossing safety as our senior children will not be on duty. A reminder that the drop off zone in front of the school is available for before and after school for this use. Note that the front of the church is NOT a drop off and pick up zone as this is hazardous to our students.

School driveway - The back driveway of school needs your "safe driving safety skills" awareness. Please pay attention to pedestrians crossing in front of the old church (often these are children). Our new car park which has just been completed is only for staff parking at this

early stage. It is not a drop off zone or extra parking space for parent vehicles.

Thank you for your patience and understanding with pick-up and drop-off areas.

God Bless
Gareth Duncan
Principal



Here are a few photos from Aims Games! Watch this space



Key dates:

- 16th - 20th September - Conservation week
- 20th September - PTFA Kiwiana Quiz Night
- 20th September - Waikato Gymfest - Yr 2-6
- 22nd September - School and Parish Sunday Mass
- 24th September - Team 4 Camp
- 27th September - End of Term Mass and PTFA mufti day

HOST FAMILIES REQUIRED FOR JAPANESE STUDENTS

Change of Contact Details

In October Junior High School students from Japan are being welcomed to St Columba's School. We are looking for families with children living at home who would enjoy the experience of hosting a student for the 16 nights they are in New Zealand. They will be here from the 13th until the 29th of October, 2019. Students require their own room and three meals a day. Japanese children enjoy relating to younger children. If your children are very young you are still able to apply to participate. Families may only host one Japanese student. Support is provided for families; this includes 24 hour emergency coverage. Translation services are also available.



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Catholic Character News

SCHOOL/PARISH MASS

THIS SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 10.00AM

The Sunday Mass is where we come together to celebrate our Catholic faith, to refresh and renew our spiritual strength, and most importantly, to give thanks and praise to our generous God. Taking an hour out of our week is a small sacrifice for such a great reward. While we would love to see students at Mass every Sunday, we do expect all students to attend the once a term School Masses.



Please be at the church by 9.45am (allow time for parking). Children can meet their teachers at the front of the church and sit with them, or if they prefer, they can sit with their family. Students can wear mufti. After Mass we'd love it if you could stay for a chat and a cuppa.

BAKE-SALE FOR KIRIBATI



As an outcome of our inquiry this term into Social Justice issues, Rimu class has decided to hold a bake-sale at the school/parish Mass this Sunday to raise money for the people of Kiribati. This island nation is being severely affected by rising sea levels and changing weather patterns. Our goal is to raise \$200 to send to Kiribati via Caritas, who will use the money to plant mangrove trees and strengthen sea walls.



Items will be on sale after Mass - so please bring along some cash if you want some home-baked goodies.

(If you would like to contribute to the fund-raising effort by donating home-baking, you can drop it off to Rimu class on Friday, or bring it to Mass.)

ST VINCENT DE PAUL VINNIES SERVING OTHERS

ICE BUCKET CHALLENGE - RIDING FOR THE DISABLED


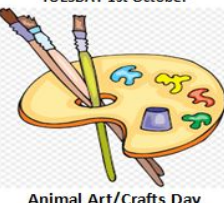
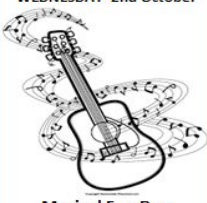






Tomorrow (Friday) after lunch, the St Vincent de Paul Vinnies' will be participating in an ice-bucket challenge - 27 students and 3 teachers will be 'iced'. Voting closed today. All proceeds are going to the Vinnies' chosen charity, Riding for the Disabled.

St Columba's Kids Club Holiday Programme

8:00am—5:30pm daily. Morning & afternoon tea provided. Bring your own lunch/drink bottle.

Book in before **Monday 16th September 2019** and qualify for early bird prices below.

-Theme for the 2 weeks is planned around "ANIMALS"-

<p>MONDAY 30th Sept 2019</p>  <p>Petting Zoo/Pony Rides \$45/\$50</p>	<p>TUESDAY 1st October</p>  <p>Animal Art/Crafts Day \$35/\$40</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY 2nd October</p>  <p>Musical Fun Day \$40/\$45</p>	<p>THURSDAY 3rd October</p>  <p>Movies @ Hoyts Metro (leave 9am return by 2.30) \$50/\$55</p>	<p>FRIDAY 4th October</p>  <p>Furry Friends/Fun Day (Come dressed up) \$35/\$40</p>
<p>MONDAY 7th October 2019</p>  <p>Animal Games Day \$35/\$40</p>	<p>TUESDAY 8th October</p>  <p>"BARK NZ" visit \$40/\$45</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY 9th October</p>  <p>Animal Jamming (Music) \$35/\$40</p>	<p>THURSDAY 10th October</p>  <p>Movies @ Hoyts Metro (leave 9am return by 2.30pm) \$50/\$55</p>	<p>FRIDAY 11th October</p>  <p>Party Animal Day (Come dressed up) \$35/\$40</p>

These are just some of the fun filled activities we will be doing. There are many more arts, crafts, sports, baking and games planned each day & we are **OSCAR APPROVED!!!!**

Contact: Deb Honey & Kerryn McCarthy **Mobile: 021 586 633**

Enrolment forms at the St Columba's School office or at Kids Club.



"Kiwiana" QUIZ NIGHT!

Friday, 20th September 2019
Te Manawa, the school hall
> 7pm until late!

SPOT Prizes!
2019 Chiefs jersey up for grabs!

BYO drinks and table snacks
A small selection of soft drinks will be available for purchase on the night. Cash only.

\$10 per seat
with no more than
10 people at any one table.

Team names can be entered via email to
ptfa@scca.school.nz
or you can drop your interest into
the School Office.








Urgent: Measles (Mītara)

**KIA HIWA RA, KIA HIWA RA
KIA KOKIRI, KIA MATĀRA WHĀNAU MA**

There is a **very large outbreak of measles** in Auckland hitting our Māori and Pacific Island communities and is now in the Waikato region. Measles can be **very serious** for all ages and it spreads very easily.

WHĀNAU we need to stop measles in its tracks!

PLEASE don't assume you are immune.

FREE, FREE, FREE, with 3 steps:

1. Ring your doctor to **CHECK** your whānau immunisation status
2. If you are not immune, **BOOK IN** to get the vaccine
3. **GET VACCINATED**

Patai / question?

Where do I go? Ring your doctor / GP (General practice) clinic. Another good place to ask questions is free phoning Healthline 0800 611 116.

What if I do not have a GP? Find one here:

- Pinnacle Midland's Health Network (Rotorua, Gisborne, Taranaki and Waikato district): www.itsmyhealth.co.nz/medical-centre/search
- Hauraki PHO (Hamilton, Tokoroa and Hauraki area): www.haurakipho.org.nz/practice-directory/
- National Hauora Coalition: www.nhc.maori.nz/waikato

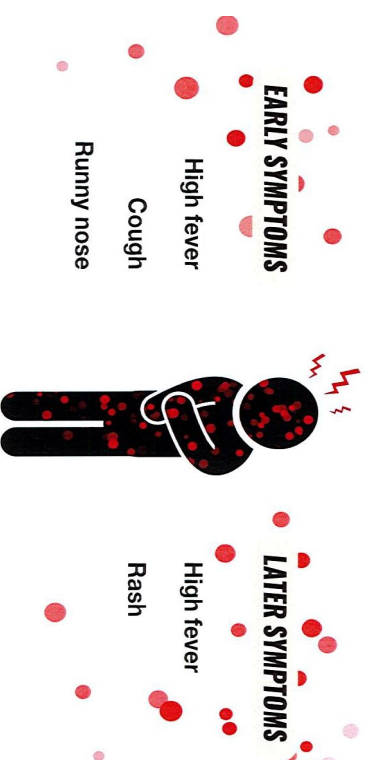
How much does it cost? It is **FREE**.

What is the vaccine called? There is a good vaccination for measles called MMR.

Who should have the vaccine? Everyone between 12 months and 50 years old.

How many injections do I need? Having two doses of MMR is the best protection for your whānau against measles. The first dose is the most important one. The second dose can be given at 4 weeks or more after the first.

Measles Symptoms



If you or your whānau have symptoms or have been close to someone with measles please:

STAY at home and **CALL** your nurse, doctor, or Healthline (0800 611 166).

- Healthline has interpreters – say you'd like an interpreter.
- Call before going to a clinic or the hospital - protect others by not spreading measles if you are sick.

#MeaslesInWaikato
#immunise
#StayAtHome
#ProtectYourWhānau

Endorsed by:

Dr Richard Hoskins
Medical Officer of Health/Public Health Physician



Measles

Don't assume you are immune.

spreads easily and can
cause serious illness



TERM 4 - SUMMER UNIFORM

Term 4 is the start of our summer uniform, please see below for a list of required items and prices. All items apart from footwear are available from the office.

GIRLS SUMMER UNIFORM

Blue/Maroon check tunic Years 0-6

Blue/Maroon check skirt Years 7-8

Navy short sleeved polo shirt Years 0-6

White short sleeved blouse Years 7-8

Blue or Black Sandals

School sunhat

Sports T-Shirt

Sports shorts

BOYS SUMMER UNIFORM

Navy short sleeved polo shirt Years 0-8

Grey shorts – light weight Years 0-8

Brown or Black sandals

School sunhat

Sports T-Shirt

Sports shorts

Price List

Polo Shirts	\$25	PE Shirt	\$30
Senior Girls Blouse	\$35	Headbands	\$10
Tunics	\$80	Scrunchies	\$ 5
Skirts	\$70	Hats	\$12
Boys summer shorts	\$25	Polar Fleece	\$45

LOST PROPERTY

As it is the end of term, please remember to check the lost property box outside the office. There are a lot of uniforms, shoes, socks, lunch boxes and drink bottles that urgently need homes. If they belong to your child/ren please take them home. Thank you!



We are embarking on the following fundraising activities this term:

- Quiz night – 20th September. Our theme is 'Kiwiana' – come along and have a FUN night out!! BYO, Tickets \$10 each, these are on sale now.
- Entertainment Books - \$65 each loads of value for everyone. Pick up a flyer from the office with all the details you need to make a purchase.
- Honey - \$15 for 1kg container locally sourced, multiflora. Email ptfa@sccs.school.nz to order.
- Mufti Day - 27th September

Events/Planning groups we need support with :

- Team Discos – Term 4
- Grandparents Day -Term 4, Week 2, 25th October
- Gala Group - The event is: Term 4, Saturday 16th November

We are very lucky to have secured some wonderful sponsorship for our gala from the following businesses: **The Lawrenson Group, Leap, Cycle Time, River Riders. Waterworld, Inflatable World, Vilagrad Winery, Waikato Museum, Skyline Rotorua, North Beach.** A big thank you to these sponsors. We are still looking for other sponsors for the gala so if you have any links to businesses' or own a business that would like to donate or sponsor us in any way please get in touch with Gareth Duncan gareth@sccs.school.nz or Kelly Evans (ptfa@sccs.school.nz or 021840112)

A huge thank you to you all for the fundraising support. It is great for our parent community to know that we are putting money directly back into our children's learning and learning opportunities. PTFA are always looking for fresh new faces to come along and join us. We are a small but hardworking team that would welcome some new members to help share in some exciting fundraisers we have coming up over the next couple of terms in 2019.





Our Team	Opposition	Result
BASKETBALL Saints Gold Wk 7	vs Maeroa Raptors	Lost 37 - 65
Wk 8	No Game	
Saints Blue Wk 7	vs Berkley Lightning	Won 32 - 31
Wk 8	No Game	
Saints Green Wk 7	vs MIS Celtics	Won 41 - 27
Wk 8	No Game	
Yr 5/6 SC Pythons Wk 7	vs Te Ao Marama Warriors	Lost 14 - 25
Wk 8	vs Te Totara Thunder	Lost 20 - 49
Yr 3/4 SC Knights Wk 7	vs Insoll Ballers	Won 37 - 15
Wk 8	vs TOA Aces	Lost

Waikato Representative Touch 2019/2020 Registrations are U10 - U14 grades are open on the Waikato touch website.

To register visit <http://www.waikatotouch.co.nz/Registrations-1/Under-10s-14s>

There is one skill session & two trial sessions.

Skill Session - Wednesday 25th September / Flagstaff Park / 5.30pm

Trial Day #1 - Sunday 29th September / Swarbrick Park / 10am - 12pm

Trial Day #2 - Sunday 13th October / Swarbrick Park / 10am - 12pm

****Please note the difference for Skills Session & Trials.**

2019 Term 4 Sports: Sports on offer next term are listed below. More details and information are on our website, under the Sports Tab.

To register <https://www.stcolumbas.school.nz/1050/forms/10-2019-term-4-rego-form/submissions/new>

Registrations close Friday 27th September. (As some team registrations are due by the end of this term). If you have any problems with forms or have any questions, please contact me by email: teoko.peterson@gmail.com or by phone : 021-686-932.

Please note: Team entries depend on having enough interested players and parent support. Without a coach or manager, we cannot enter teams. Any offers of help is greatly appreciated.

Sports	Yr. Group	Day	Time	Venue	Start Date	Finish Date	Cost
		Tues: Yr 7-8			October: Tues 15th	December: Tues 3rd	

Basketball	Yr 1 - 8	Wed: Yr 3-4 Thur: Yr 1-2 Fri: Yr 5-6	Frm 4pm	Ymca or The Peak	Wed 16th Thurs 17th Fri 18th	Wed 4th Thurs 5th Fri 6th	\$45
Touch	Yr 1 - 8	Thursday	Frm 3.45pm	Swarbrick Park	Thurs 24 Oct	Thurs 28th Nov	\$25
Volleyball	Yr 5 - 8	Thursday	Between 4pm - 6pm	The Peak	Thurs 21st Nov	Thurs 12 Dec	\$15
Cricket *1	Yr 3 - 6	Fri - Yr 1 - 5 Sat - Yr 5-6	Fri - Evening Sat - Morn	City Wide	Fri 25th Oct Sat 26th Oct	Fri 6th Dec Sat 7th Dec	\$20
Summer Hockey	Yr 3 - 8	Monday	Afternoon	Gallagher Turf	Mon 14th Oct	Mon 2nd Dec	\$25
Lacrosse	Yr 7-8 Girls	Saturday	Afternoon	Tamahere Park	Sat 26th Oct	Sat 7th Dec	\$30
Social Netball *2	Yr 7 - 8	Monday	Afternoon	TBC	TBC		

*1: Cricket: Year 3-5 play variations of Kiwi Cricket on Friday nights. Year 5&6 play Hard Ball cricket on Saturday.

*2: Social Netball: There is no Spring netball this year but a social competition. Our Hamilton Catholic schools will run social games playing each other.

PTFA HONEY FUNDRAISER

St Columba's Catholic School PTFA is selling honey as a fundraiser. Grab yourself a bargain and support our fundraising efforts.

The honey is locally sourced in the Waikato from an export approved supplier.

It is a liquid multi-flora honey, commercially tested and packed.

Price: \$15 for 1kg container

Please place your order by emailing ptfa@sccs.school.nz

Bank account for online payments go to **St Columba's PTFA**

02-0312-0046673-00

Your order will be available from the school office once payment is confirmed.

Kelly Evans
PTFA CHAIR

