



# St Peter Chanel Catholic School

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## Newsletter

7th September 2023



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Everybody is a son or daughter of God. God is a god of people. We learn about Him through our interactions with others.

### This week's Bible Quote

#### 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Matthew 18:20



### Important Dates



**Mālō e lelei!** This week is Tongan Language Week.

#### SEPTEMBER

Thurs 7th	Mass 12.15pm
Mon 11th	Māori Language Week Keeping Ourselves Safe Police Visits
Tues 12th	SHINE Group visit Awatere Retirement Home
Wed 13th	Waikato Full Primary Speech Finals
Fri 15th	R.E. Māori Spirituality Course for Teachers
Tues 19th	Yr 7/8 Technology
Wed 20th	Waikato Full Primary Cross Country
Thurs 21st	Mass 12.15 Postponement Date WFP Cross Country
Fri 22nd	Last Day Term 3

### Mission Statement

The students at St Peter Chanel School will receive a comprehensive education with a special emphasis on their Catholic faith development.

### School Vision

Whole Education. Whole Person.  
We want our students to be:  
Followers of Christ, Thinkers,  
Contributors, Communicators,  
Self Managers

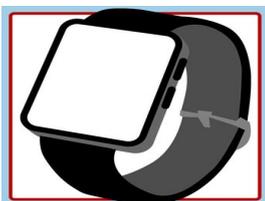
## School Spirit Cup

This week's recipients of the School Spirit Cup are Madison Richards, Dianne Urrea and Emily Aitken. Madison, Dianne and Emily have taken on the role of Activity Leaders. Their brief is to meet with students who wish to organise an activity for the other students. Our leaders assist with and advise on the presentation of the proposal, the organisation, promotion, criteria, judging and operation. Madison and Emily have written up templates and flow charts which assist the organisers. We thank them for their efficiency, enthusiasm, time, effort and leadership.



## Smart Watches Cellular Feature

Some children have cellular smart watches which allows them to make and receive calls without the need for a phone. This feature is not necessary at school and we ask parents to set the watch so calls cannot be made between the hours of 9.00am - 3.00pm. If students need to contact home we allow them to use the school phone. We have had students contacting their parents to say they are sick and need to come home - the teacher or admin staff have not been informed.



## North West Cross Country

On Tuesday our school braved the weather to take on all the other bigger schools at the annual Hamilton North West Cross Country Interschool competition. This event is for the top 8 to 11 year old cross country runners from each school. This year we took a smaller team -20 students- which became even smaller on the day due to sickness and injury.

Our team and supporters were amazing with everybody giving their all. One of the many highlights came at the end of the day when the results were announced and we found that we had come 3rd overall, only 5 points off being second!

Congratulations to all of our runners and again, thanks to all of the families that provided, marshalling, transport, and support.

**Results 3rd Place Overall :  
St Peter Chanel Catholic School**

**8 year old boys:  
3rd place Beau Rickman**

**9 year old boys:  
3rd place Levi Richards**

**11 year old girls:  
3rd place Indi Simmonds**

**11 year old boys:  
1st place Heath Martin**



## Professional Development for Staff

To ensure we provide the best possible education for our students, staff are involved in regular and on-going professional development. Over the next few weeks a number of staff will be withdrawn from their class so they can participate in further opportunities.

### Junior Team

On Wednesday 6th September our junior team worked for the day on planning and developing oral resources for their students. The focus was to reflect on the research that states, “Reading and writing float on a sea of talk”, (Barnes 1976). Barnes recommends that teachers learn how to use talk to allow students to explore unknown social or cognitive territory in order to make meaning that is significant to their personal needs and crucial to their learning.

### Religious Education-Understanding Māori Spirituality

The majority of our teachers will be attending the above titled professional development course next Friday 15th and Saturday 16th September. The classes will be covered by relief teachers.

### Australasian Literacy Summit

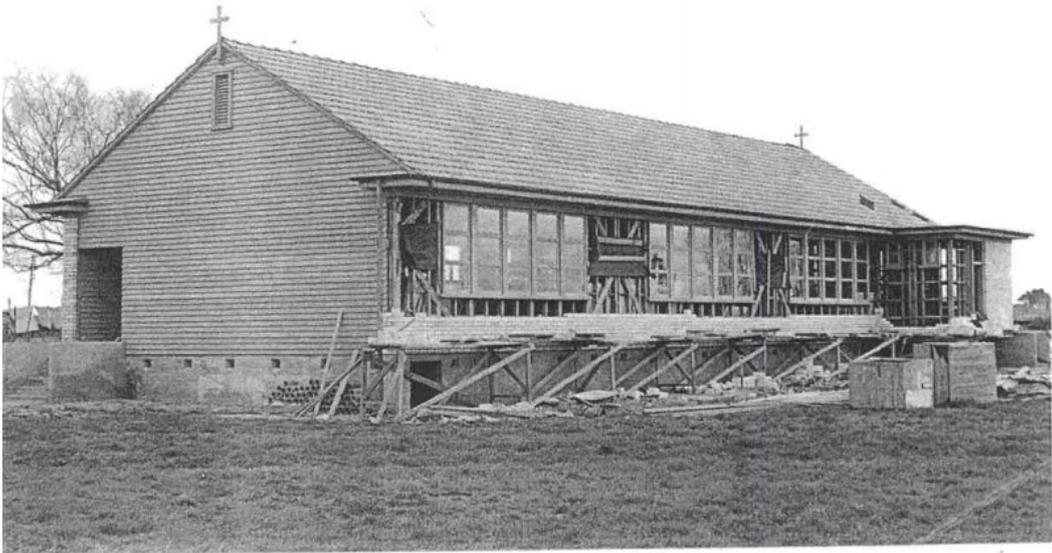
On Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th September we have 5 staff members attending the Australasian Literacy Summit. This is an international event with internationally renowned key-note speakers. Our staff have been approached by the organisers to run a workshop relating to Writer’s Toolbox.



## School History

In 1954 a Parish was established in the area of Te Rapa, and parishioners attended Mass in the Beerescourt Hall. Also in 1954, the school/church was constructed. In February 1955, when the construction was completed, the school/church was opened and was dedicated to Saint Peter Chanel (canonised a Saint in 1954). The building was used as a church during the weekends, and a school on Monday to Friday. It consisted of 3 rooms separated by folding doors, the altar was positioned behind another set of folding doors at the end of the building. Every Friday the doors were opened the doors, and desks were moved to the far end while chairs were used for Mass. This arrangement lasted for around ten years until the parish church was built.

Blake McFarlane Year 8



## Winter Illness

There are a lot of colds and flu bugs around at present, to keep our students and staff safe, please keep your children home if they are unwell.



## Absences

If your child is away or is going to be late, it is vital you contact the school office and let them know.

Email: [admin@spc.ac.nz](mailto:admin@spc.ac.nz) or text: 022 156 6171 or Ph. (07) 849 3734 and leave a message. Please give the reason for the absence as the Ministry of Education collects this data.



## School Offering

The students in our school are very fortunate to be able to attend a weekly Mass. As the school uses the church so frequently, at no cost, we have decided to have a gold coin collection at the first Mass of each month. The collection will be given to the parish as a contribution towards the cost of heating, lighting and cleaning. We are teaching our children to recognise there is a cost to everything and we have a responsibility as community members to contribute.

## Newsletter

The newsletter is available every Thursday to view on our website. A link is also on our Facebook page, and as from this week every parent will be also emailed a copy of the weekly newsletter. Can you please contact the school office if you have changed your email address, so we can update it on our system. We will no longer be distributing paper copies of the newsletter, but there will be some paper copies available in the school office.



## Kea Kids News

Two of our Room 8 students, Adah Brown and Charlotte Currie, won the opportunity to ask the Prime Minister Chris Hipkins questions for Kea Kids News. Below is the link to the video, it is well worth a watch. Well done girls.

[Kea Kids News: Prime Minister Chris Hipkins is in the Kea Kids hotseat](#)

## School Dates 2023

Term 3 – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Fri. 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept.

Term 4 – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Oct - Wed. 20<sup>th</sup> December

**Teacher Only Day Monday 24th April**

Labour Day – Mon. 23<sup>rd</sup> October

## Lunch Orders

Our school works with local company who provide lunch orders to over 30 schools in Hamilton. **Lunches are available Friday only at St Peter Chanel.**

Lunch orders are back again for another year with more menu options and continued focus on selling healthy school lunch food at reasonable prices.

Check our website for more information on how it works and what's on offer this year.



## HPV Immunisation

The Public Health Nurses will be at school on **November 1<sup>st</sup> 2023** to provide dose 2 of the HPV immunisation for the Year 8 students who parents/caregivers consented earlier in the year. If your child is absent there will be a catch up planned within 3 weeks.

If parents have any queries or changes contact the **PHN Amy Grace 021315648**, [amy.grace@waikatodhb.health.nz](mailto:amy.grace@waikatodhb.health.nz).

## School Banking

There have been changes made to joining First Credit Union. If you wish your child to join the First Credit Union, application forms can be collected from the school office. Once you have completed the forms you will need to go into the First Credit Union in Collingwood Street, to complete your School Banking application. The bank books will be cleared from the green box every Wednesday morning.



## Mass Times

### St Peter Chanel

Tuesday 9.00am

Thursday 9.00am Liturgy with Communion

Thursday 12.15pm. - School Mass  
Parent & caregivers are welcome to attend.

Saturday 5.00pm

### St Joseph's

Wednesday 9.00am Liturgy with Communion

Friday 9.00am Sunday 9.00am

Donations to Parish of the Holy Cross:  
One off Donations: Foyer envelope. Or bank: 02-0454-0000400-000 Automatic Payments: Contact office

Parish Priest: Fr Stuart Young Office & Residence: 86 Clarkin Rd Hamilton,

# Yummy Stickers

Mrs Murphy Room 7 teacher is collecting yummy stickers for the school. Please collect your stickers and either take them to Mrs Murphy in Room 7 or drop them to the school office.

me Minister Chris Hipkins is in the Kea

**EAT YUMMY APPLES FOR NEW SPORTS GEAR FOR YOUR SCHOOL!**

Collect the stickers from Yummy Apples and cut-outs from 1.5kg bags of Yummy Apples for your school's share of sports gear worth **\$200,000**

**RUNS THROUGH TO END OF TERM 3**  
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## Fundraiser

**WHEN:** 8th - 9:30am-4:30pm, 9th - 10am - 4pm, 10th - 10am - 3pm. September, 2023

**WHERE:** Te Rapa Race course  
Ken Browne Drive, Hamilton

All proceeds go to New Zealand Red Cross in their mission to help improve the vulnerable lives of people here in New Zealand, and overseas.

 [redcross.org.nz](http://redcross.org.nz)

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RIPEKA WHERO AOTEAROA

# SPORT

2023 St Peter Chanel Sports Club Newsletter Term 3 Week 8

## REGISTRATIONS CLOSE TOMORROW!

Registrations for Term 4 sports *close tomorrow!*

We are offering:

**NEW! Basketball Yr 1-8**

Inline Hockey Yr 3-8 only

Spring Netball Yr 3-8 only

**NEW! Hockey at Marian School Yr 1-6 only (register on our SPC website)**

Water Polo Yr 7-8 only

Touch Yr 1-8

Splash Polo Yr 3-6 only

Go to <https://www.spc.ac.nz/471/pages/102-sports-at-spc>

## WEET-BIX KIDS TRYATHLON!

Our school group is registered for the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon in Hamilton on Sunday 10th December.

To register your child, click on the following link, scroll down to *How to enter a TRYathlete* and select *C) Joining Your School Group*.



<https://raceroster.com/events/2023/79102/hamilton-sanitarium-weet-bix-kids-tryathlon>

## WE NEED MORE PLAYERS!

We need some more players for both our Yr 5/6 Splash Polo (formerly Flippa Ball) and Yr 7/8 Water Polo teams. Go online and check it out at <https://www.spc.ac.nz/471/pages/102-sports-at-spc>

For more details contact our coaches:

Splash Polo - Nicole Bradbury, [nicole.bradbury@hcc.govt.nz](mailto:nicole.bradbury@hcc.govt.nz)

Water Polo - Sarah Quinn, [quinnlandscaping@xtra.co.nz](mailto:quinnlandscaping@xtra.co.nz)



# UPCOMING SPORTING EVENTS

- ✓ Karapiro 100K Flyer, 14 October 2023  
<https://eventpromotions.co.nz/events-karapiro-100k-flyer/>
- ✓ City to Surf: Tauranga-Mt Maunganui, 5 November 2023  
<https://citytosurf2023.eventdesq.com/>
- ✓ Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon: Hamilton, 10 December 2023  
<https://tryathlon.co.nz>
- ✓ Rotorua Off-Road Trail Run/Walk: Rotorua, 3 March 2024  
<https://eventpromotions.co.nz/rotorua-off-road-trail-run-walk/>
- ✓ Long Course Weekend NZ: Waikato, 12 - 14 April 2024  
<https://www.lcwnewzealand.com/>

## Saints United Basketball - Term 4

📍 Hamilton Lake, Hamilton

### ACTIVITY DETAILS

📍 YMCA 36 Pembroke Street | 36 Pembroke Street, Hamilton Lake, Hamilton

💰 From \$57.00 per season

👤 Run by Saints United Sports

Year 7 and 8 students enrolled at St Joseph's, St Peter Chanel, Marian, St Pius and St Columba's Catholic schools are invited to play for these Saints United Basketball teams. Some teams may be expected to play competitive Basketball in a higher grade than what our individual schools can offer.

Combining has brought together more players which has ensured all those that want to play a sport has the ability to do so.

Teams are a mix of the schools so please be prepared to have players from other school in your team. There is no guarantee you will know everyone in your team. Where its possible we will try to unsure there are at last 2 members from each school to help with the need of car sharing etc but with the vast increase in interest we have experienced in term one we cannot guarantee it.

Teams require a Manager and a Coach to be registered. Please bear this in mind when registering your child. Without parent help these sports cannot go ahead and will be cancelled and passed on to clubs.

If your child played in term 3 please register your child in the same team.

### START AND FINISH TIMES

BOOKINGS CLOSE - 15th September NO PLAYERS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE

### CONTACT DETAILS

📧 Get in touch with Saints United Sports

[Discover other activities for Saints United Sports](#)

✉ Send email

☎ Click for phone



📍 YMCA 36 Pembroke Street | 36 Pembroke Street, Hamilton Lake, Hamilton

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY SKILL CAMPS

WWW.NETBALLHAMILTON.ORG.NZ



**Poipoia**  
te Manawa



## September/October School Holiday Skill Camps!

The time has come for the September/October School Holiday skill camps!

Everyone is welcome, regardless of your Centre affiliation or skill level.

Year 3-4 (1 day camps \$50 per day) - Tuesday 26th September and/or Tuesday 3rd October

Year 5-6 (1 day camps \$50 per day) - Tuesday 26th September and/or Tuesday 3rd October

Year 7-8 (2 day camp \$100) - Wednesday 27th September and Thursday 28th September

Under 14 & 16 (2 day camp \$100) - Wednesday 4th October and Thursday 5th October

The camps run from 9:00am until 3:00pm each day and will be held at the Hamilton City Netball Centre.

For further information and to register, <https://netballhamilton.org.nz/poipoia-te-manawa>

**Aoife Fyall**

**Junior Co-ordinator**

07 847 4007

[junior@netballhamilton.org.nz](mailto:junior@netballhamilton.org.nz)



# Saints United



## New Sport for Term 4



### Lacrosse



- Year 7 & 8 Girls only
  - Games played on a Saturday afternoon at Tamahere Park, Hamilton.
  - Fee per child is \$35 to play (TBC)
  - Sticks provided by Saints United. If you want goggles, you will need to purchase your own (not compulsory at this age)
  - Games are 6 aside. Maximum of 10 players in a team.
  - Register your interest via the following link <https://enrolmy.com/saints-united/book-now/12-Girls-Lacrosse>
  - **Registrations close Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September.**
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# EVERYONE WELCOME

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