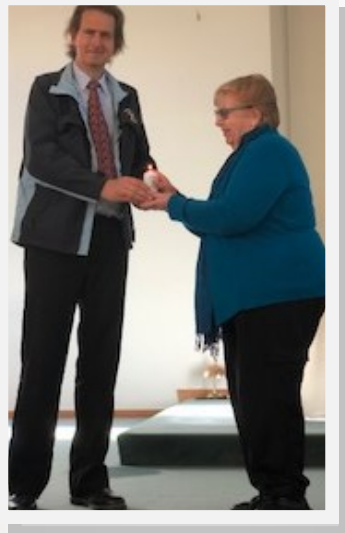
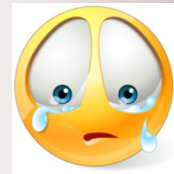




End of Term Activities
Year 8 verses Teachers Netball Match.
Teachers victorious!!

Mrs Dunford's Farewell



← School Disco →





Tena koutou katoa. Nga mihi nui kia koutou
Suddenly the end of the term is upon us. Thank you
for your continued support for your children and the
teachers.

The school disco was very successful. We have
some skilled dancers thanks to Footsteps.

A big thank you to Mrs Vanxay and all the staff for ensuring everything
from student participation to the BBQ went well.

Winter Uniform: Term 2 Children will be expected to wear winter
uniform see below for requirements.

Friends of the School: Early notice: Last year we had a very
enthusiastic group of parents who got together to raise funds for our
playgrounds, with excellent results. We are wanting to get this group
together again this year to look at fundraising and social ideas for our
school community. Please watch out in next term's newsletter for a date
for this meeting. It would be great to have a few more parents join this
group.

Keep an eye out for a Mother's Day Raffle when we get back in term
two.

Wishing you a safe holiday and we will see you on Monday 30th April
2018.

Jane Rutherford



In the Midst of Winter

Lord:

*In the midst of Winter, when the days
are cold and wind can pierce remind us
of the warmth of your love.*

*In the midst of Winter, when days are
short, dawn comes late, and dusk arrives
early remind us that in the darkness
your light still shines.*

*In the midst of Winter, when the flow-
ers of spring still lie hidden in the earth,
when leaves are off the trees, and the
world can seem bleak remind us that
Easter was but a short time ago.*

*And when in our lives we feel as if we
are experiencing a season of winter,
reach out to us with the power of your
resurrection so that we may feel the
warmth of your love and see your light
that alone can take away the darkness
of our soul.*

Winter Uniform Requirements

Parents, please ensure your children are in correct school uniform.

All children are expected to be in **Winter Uniform** for Term 2.

- Long hair is to be tied back tidily with dark blue or black hair ties or clips.
- **NO** bracelets, anklets or long sparkly earrings are to be worn. *This is a safety issue.*
- Black sneakers with splashes of colour **ARE NOT** part of our uniform.

These are some examples of the types of shoes we would like to see all our students wearing.



Girls

Tunic
Royal blue long sleeved polo shirt
Royal blue zip tunic sweatshirt
Grey socks with royal blue stripes
Black, flat, plain shoes
Black bike shorts

Boys

Grey shorts
Royal blue long sleeved polo shirt
Royal blue zip tunic sweatshirt
Grey socks with royal blue stripes
Black, flat, plain shoes



IMPORTANT NOTICE

To Report an Absence

From the beginning of Term 2, we will no longer be using the School App to report absences. You can now go directly to our website, <http://www.stpius.school.nz/>, click on absences and fill out the details.

Welcome to St Pius	<h3>Absences</h3> <p>Required fields are marked with an asterisk (*)</p> <p>* Your Name <input type="text"/></p> <p>* Child's Name <input type="text"/></p> <p>* Reason for Absence <input type="text"/></p> <p><small>For example - sickness, holidays, appointment etc.</small></p> <p>* Start date 12 April 2018</p> <p>* End date 12 April 2018</p>
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Complaints Procedure	
Catholic Character Review	

.....you can also ring the school (07) 843 6554 to report your child's absence.



Board of Trustees News

The St Pius X School Board of Trustees (BOT) is a group of elected parents, staff, and community members whose role is to govern the school and set its strategic direction. We want to strengthen ties between the school community and the BOT; we encourage you to engage with us as we set the direction of the school on an ongoing basis. The chairperson Brendon Muir can be contacted at brendon@spike.net.nz.

Highlights of the last meeting on the 28th of March:

We discussed the overall organization of the BOT following Jane and Brendon attending a training course on Effective Governance.

It was agreed that each month a member of the BOT will write a small BOT News section for the newsletter to keep the community better informed of what is discussed at each BOT meeting.

Plans for an upgraded Admin Block entrance/frontage, and more importantly, a new Junior block to replace Rooms 1 and 2 was presented. The plans have been well received with various improvements suggested by teachers. All going well, construction will begin in July this year.

Antony Easto presented plans for the 2018 senior camp.

A full DRAFT copy of the meeting minutes is available on the wall in the foyer of the office for you to view. The next BOT meeting will be on 23 May 2018 at 7pm in the school staffroom.

Have a safe and relaxing holiday break!

2018 Term Dates for St Pius X Catholic School

Term 2	Monday 30 April	Friday 6 July
Term 3	Monday 23 July	Friday 28 September
Term 4	Monday 15 October	Monday 17 December

School Holiday Programmes

Go to our website <http://www.stpius.school.nz/> and click on *Holiday Programmes* for a list of School Holiday Programmes available.

Mons Frank Marriott with Team's couple, Kevin and Faye Noonan

**On mission to the Catholic Diocese of Hamilton
to promote the 'Teams' marriage enrichment groups**

24-28 April 2018

"Teams" is a worldwide movement to help couples strengthen their marriage, family and spiritual life based around a monthly shared meal and Scripture reflection. It is suitable for couples where either both or one spouse is Catholic.

At Bishop Steve's invitation, Monsignor Frank Marriott and a married couple from Australia will be presenting information evenings about bringing "Teams" into the Diocese of Hamilton.

Time: Thursday 26th April 7 - 8:30 pm

Place: Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary, [494 Grey St, Hamilton](#)



School Banking

First Credit Union banking at St Pius X School is each Thursday.

Starter Packs are available from the school office.

It is good to encourage our children to save a little each week



St John's College

INFORMATION EVENING

To be held in the College Gymnasium on Tuesday 15th May 2018 at 6.00pm. Parents prospective students are invited to attend our Information evening for new enrolments for 2019. There will be an opportunity to view the school facilities and meet with the Principal and Staff.

For more information: Phone (07) 856 7091 or

Email principal@stjohns-hamilton.school.nz

BREAKFAST IDEAS

SMOOTHIE

Feijoa season is coming - try this Feijoa Smoothie for a yummy breakfast. Serves 2-3

Blend:

- 1 banana - peeled and sliced
- 4 feijoas - peeled and chopped
- Small handful of spinach leaves
- Ice cubes
- 1 cup yoghurt
- ½ cup low fat milk



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BREAKFAST IDEAS

EGG CASINGS

- 12 slices wholegrain bread
- 4 eggs
- 3 Tbsp. low fat milk
- 1/2 onion - finely chopped
- Optional extras: grated cheese, or your favourite vegetables

Preheat oven to 200°C Flatten bread with rolling pin and place into a lightly greased muffin tray.

Whisk egg and milk. Gently mix in onion and any extras then pour evenly into each case. Bake for 15mins until eggs are cooked!



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Do your children love to sing?

Come and sing with the Tron Songster's Children's Choir!

We are a community choir of boys and girls aged 8-13 years old, directed by experienced music teachers Hannah Bryant and Maria Colvin and...We are looking for new singers to join us in Term 2!. Choristers have a fun and educational experience, sing a range of musical styles, and work towards a public concert to end the term. Rehearsals at St Aidans Anglican Church, Claudelands. Friday afternoons 4.00-5.15pm during term time. Afternoon tea is included. \$95 for a 9 week term (plus a concert performance) beginning May 2018. Auditions will be held at St Aidan's Church in the first week of May. For an audition time or more information: Email hannahgrace.bryant@gmail.com or call 0212069604.