

St Pius X Catholic School

Te Kura o Hato Paea

To Learn Love

To Learn Wisdom
The Way We Are



MISSION DAY



Thursday 1st November 2018, Newsletter 32

Tena koutou katoa. Nga mihi nui kia koutou

Congratulations to Mrs Garsed, students and staff for yet another successful Mission day. I will let you know how much we raised next week.

Congratulations to Madeline Vanxay-Chanpasit who is our Altrusa recipient this year. Madeline was chosen for her work as house leader and organiser of many school events this year.

I have enclosed information regarding the strike day later in the month.

God Bless

Jane Rutherford



All Saints Day Prayer
God our Father, by our Baptism, you made us your holy people and called us to share in the joy of your saints. By their help and example you guide us to live for others as Jesus taught us. May their prayers strengthen and comfort us as we follow Jesus to his promise of everlasting life. We make this prayer to you in His name. Amen

Day



Congratulations Kesha-Lee who participated in the 2018 Halberg Games.



Congratulations to Raewyn Brew. Raewyn was the recipient of our Grandparents' Duffy Day Award.

Thank you!

Very much Mr Brew for replacing the panel in our hall. We are extremely grateful for your generosity.



Calendar of Events

November

1st	<i>All Saints Day –School Mass 9am</i>
9th	<i>Creative day</i>
13th	<i>Teachers' Strike Day—School CLOSED</i>
14th	<i>Rooms 6/7 Mass</i>
15th	<i>Possible date for school athletics</i>
21st	<i>Class Mass Rooms 4&5</i>
26th	<i>Rainbows End Years 7&8</i>
28th –30th	<i>Middle school outdoor education Activities</i>
28th	<i>Junior School Mass</i>

December

3-7	<i>Years 7&8 School Camp</i>
4-6	<i>Junior School Outdoor camp</i>
12th	<i>Final School Mass 9am</i>
13th	<i>Prizegiving assembly 1:30 School Hall All welcome</i>
17th	<i>Whole School Liturgy and Farewell to Year 8's 6pm.</i>
18th	<i>Last day—school finishes 12noon.</i>

Notice of Strike Day

New Zealand's principals and primary teachers have just voted about what to do to get government action on the current crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers.

We're agreed - we can't in good conscience accept the Government's latest collective agreement offer because it does not begin to address the crisis.

We have therefore voted for an unprecedented second strike, to be held next month. There will be nationwide rolling strikes over a week, and our region will be striking on **Tuesday 13th November**.

Our school will be closed on that date. While we regret the inconvenience we know this will cause, we need to send a clear message to the Government that we are standing strong for our students.

Already children's education is suffering because of the difficulty in recruiting teachers and relievers, and we must take bold steps to turn this around. The Government recently announced a \$5.5 billion surplus, so there is no reason to make our children wait while the situation deteriorates further.

Through our union, NZEI Te Riu Roa, we are asking for:

- Smaller classes, so our children can get more one-on-one attention
- More resources and staffing to adequately support children with additional learning needs – this will benefit all children because teachers will be free to spend more one-on-one time with every student
- A significant increase in teachers' salaries so that they are properly valued for their qualifications and responsibilities, and as a country we can recruit and retain teachers.

We appreciate your continued support on this important issue. For more information, please go to

<http://campaigns.nzei.org.nz/time/> or talk with your child's teacher.

What's happening on your Board of Trustees.....

Last night the BOT had their regular monthly meeting. Here is a short summary of the decisions they made on your behalf.

- Renewed the Protected Disclosure policy for another year without change.
- Ratified the General Regulation policy with changes as per the meeting minutes.
- The BOT was presented with a report on the Social Sciences curriculum.
- The BOT reviewed the Years action plan.

The details of this years Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) programmes was presented to the Board.

The Bot agreed that the RAMS forms for the EOTC programmes will be passed onto the Boards Health and Safety sub committee for approval.

This year's **Lugton's Round the Bridges** is on Sunday 18 November. Enter a school team of at least 10 runners and be in to win one of 5 \$200 sports vouchers.

Register online at www.roundthebridges.co.nz for the Grassroots Kids Challenge and also download your training programme.



Lugton's ROUND THE BRIDGES
1KM - 2KM - 6KM - 12KM

2KM KIDS CHALLENGE

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TRAINING PROGRAMME

SUNDAY 18 NOV

Mon 27 days to go Start	Tue 26 days to go 10 min walk or run	Wed 25 days to go Dance to 3 of your favourite songs	Thu 24 days to go Rope skipping 80 skips	 Have a rest	Sat 22 days to go Bike, skate or scoot for 20 mins	Sun 21 days to go Have a rest
Mon 20 days to go Do star jumps to your favourite song	Tue 19 days to go 15 min run or walk	Wed 18 days to go Relax	Thu 17 days to go Bike, skate or scoot for 20 mins	Fri 16 days to go 5 min walk, 5 min run and 5 min skip	Sat 15 days to go Have a break	Sun 14 days to go Go to a local park and kick a ball around
Mon 13 days to go Dance to 3 of your favourite songs	Tue 12 days to go Bike, skate or scoot for 20 mins	Wed 11 days to go Do star jumps to your favourite song	Thu 10 days to go 18 min walk or run	Fri 9 days to go Have a rest. Eat well	Sat 8 days to go Go to a local park and kick a ball around	
Mon 6 days to go Bike, skate or scoot for 20 mins	Tue 5 days to go 20 min run or walk	Wed 4 days to go Dance to 3 of your favourite songs		Fri 2 days to go 14 min walk or run	Sat tomorrow! Have a good nights sleep	

ROUNDTHEBRIDGES.CO.NZ