



Tena koutou katoa. Nga mihi nui kia koutou

Like you no doubt, I have been troubled, dismayed, and upset regarding the events of last Friday. In many ways we have lost our 'no one can touch us down here' view. The message we give to our students is, this will be a sad and tragic part of New Zealand history but it is what we do now that will make a difference for the future. It is for the families directly affected by this heinous act that we pray for. Our action now is to be mindful of racism in our society and say that it is not acceptable ever.

We are rich in our school with our different cultures Whilst our cultural evening on the 5th of April was planned long before this tragedy, it makes our cultural showcase—food and entertainment evening even more significant. Let's make this a time where we celebrate with each other, where we meet people who have children in your child's class, where we can celebrate who we are together. Using the words we have heard a lot in recent days "we are one".

Tomorrow many schools are dressing up in bright colours to raise money for Christchurch called 'colour my day'. We will not be doing this tomorrow as a number of classes will be off site at the ballet and it is easier to keep track of them while in uniform.

We will do this next Friday and we will send more information about this to you next week.

God Bless Jane Rutherford



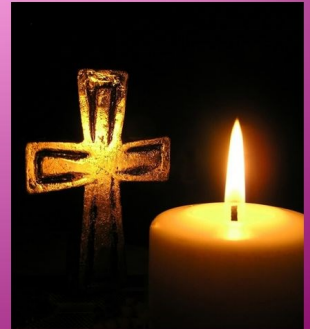
## Parent-Teacher Interviews

Thank you for getting your Parent Interview Forms back to us. Due to the great response we have had to this, we are running out of available spaces very quickly. We have tried to give you the times you have requested, but as the forms are still coming in, some of you will not get the time you have asked for. If the time you have been allocated does not suit you, please make arrangements with your child's teacher to organise another time.

Thank you.

### Lenten prayer

Dear God, During Lent help us to keep our eyes on Jesus. Help us to spend more time talking and listening to you. Help us to share what we have with others and be sorry for times we have done wrong.  
Amen

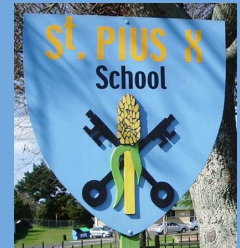


## Thursday 21st March , Newsletter #7

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# Calendar of Events

- March**    **23rd**    **Rosemary Garsed Presentation 3—4:30pm (Saturday)**
- 27th**    **Vision & Hearing Board Meeting**
- April**        **2nd**        **Parent Interviews**
- 5th**        **Social Community Picnic gathering 5pm—7.30pm**
- 12th**      **Last day of Term 1**



**Date Wednesday 27/03/2019    TIME 10.30 approx.  
Information Sheet on Vision and Hearing Checks in School**

Vision Hearing Technicians from Community and Southern Rural Health will be visiting our school. The objective of the test is to identify previously undetected vision and hearing defects.

**Which children are routinely checked?**

- Catch up screening for children who have not completed vision and hearing checks as part of their B4 School Check
- Children absent from previous visit, require retests or follow up
- In special circumstances, parents, teachers or others may request a vision or hearing check
- New immigrants
- All Year 7 student's vision only

**What tests are carried out?**

Ears

- Audiometry (hearing test)
- Tympanometry – middle ear function test (only carried out when hearing test is not within a normal range)

Eyes

Long distance vision tests – not a complete visual examination, but a simple screening test

*NB All of these checks are non-invasive, safe and should cause no discomfort.*

**The Vision Hearing Technician will:**

- Notify parents of all test results
- Enter results on Ministry of Education database (Enrol)

The Vision Hearing Technician will obtain personal details from the school ie; names, date of birth.

If the technician needs to contact parents or caregivers following the visit, addresses and phone numbers will also be required.

Our Service may share this information with other health professionals involved in the children's care.

If any parents/caregivers **do not** want their child to be checked, or their child is currently under specialist care for a vision or hearing defect, they should let the school know.

## Cultural Showcase: Shared Picnic and Performance

Friday 5 April

Come and celebrate the family traditions and cultural influences that make our school community so special. Share food and enjoy performances from students.

Your family can sign up to bring a dish to share or provide entertainment with music/dance.

### This community event needs you to make it happen!

The following opportunities are available:

**SHARED PICNIC:** Bring your favourite family dish to share - something culturally or traditionally significant to your family. Bring your dish ready to serve. Stay with your dish & serve it **-OR-** Leave your dish at the self-service table.

**PERFORMERS WANTED FROM OUR COMMUNITY:** Contribute to the entertainment with a 5 min showcase — Dance, Song, Poetry, Tribute, Martial Art, etc. For example, Bollywood, Riverdance, instrumental talent and more! There are no limits to the types of family-friendly entertainment!

**Please return this completed portion to the school office by 29 March or you can click [HERE](#) and fill it out online.**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Room: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent email address: \_\_\_\_\_

I am willing to contribute (please tick boxes)

ready to serve food dish to share

Name of dish: \_\_\_\_\_

live performance

Please give details: \_\_\_\_\_

other suggestions?

Please give details: \_\_\_\_\_



Your school account should have come home with your child today. If you haven't received an account, it means your account has been paid in full.

You can pay your account at the office by cash, eftpos or you can pay online. Online details: ASB 12-3152-0175049-01. If you pay online, can you please quote your customer No. which is unique to your family (below) and you can also include the name of your child/room.

### STATEMENT/TAX INVOICE

*Eldest student:* Mickey Mouse

*Home class: Room* 1A—Totara

*Account:* Mouse Family

*Customer No:* 12345

# Community Noticeboard

## WHAT KIND OF ADVENTURE ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?

Girls love adventure! It's a great way to make friends, build confidence, boost self-esteem and learn new skills.

Wanting Pippins  
5-6yrs  
enquire below

0800 22 22 92  
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Sacred Heart  
Girls' College  
HAMILTON

**Open Day is**  
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2019  
Parents/caregivers and students  
are invited to visit the school at  
11.00am-12.30pm or 1.30pm-  
3.00pm.

The Open Day Registration form can be completed by clicking on the link below:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1l-X--DY9LmHENcpbZNe\\_4cJ62e7algZwfrBQJrdnx6M/edit](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1l-X--DY9LmHENcpbZNe_4cJ62e7algZwfrBQJrdnx6M/edit)

For more information visit: [www.shgcham.school.nz](http://www.shgcham.school.nz)



St John's College Foundation

2019 Blue & Gold Luncheon FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
12.30PM THE NARROWS LANDING -  
TAMAHERE

Information: [foundation@stjohns-hamilton.school.nz](mailto:foundation@stjohns-hamilton.school.nz) or Phone 856-7091

## P.T.A. GARAGE SALE+

Saturday 30 March 2019



8.30am-Noon



Melville High School

Donations welcome and may be dropped off at the School Office  
Wednesday 27-Friday 29 March

## SMOOTHIES

DRINKS

Smoothies are a great option as a drink or a snack!

Try putting 1 cup of low fat milk, 3 heaped tablespoons of low fat yoghurt, a handful of ice & 1 handful of seasonal fruit into a blender. Mix thoroughly. Enjoy!



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## School Banking

First Credit Union provides a school banking service to all pupils at St Pius X School. Getting started is easy - just pick up an application pack from the school office, fill in the application form and return it to the school office. If your children are already doing school banking, remember that the school