

# St Pius X Catholic School

## Te Kura O Hato Paea

### Newsletter #14



To Learn Love  
To Learn Wisdom  
The Way We Are

Thursday 27th May 2021

Week 4 Term 2



#### Principal's Message

Tena koutou katoa. Nga mihi nui kia koutou.

Greetings on this very crisp morning, it is a sign that winter is almost upon us. Just a reminder that children are now expected to wear their full winter uniform. Please make sure their uniform is named including socks. The end of the day, particularly in the junior school can be chaotic when children are looking for their socks.



On the liturgical calendar this Monday is the Feast of The Visitation, Mary visiting her cousin and friend Elizabeth to tell her the news that she had been asked by God to be the mother of Jesus. (Luke 1:39-56) We will be attending Mass for this Feast day at 9.00am. All welcome.

The children are busy preparing for Cross Country which is on the 9th of June. Races start at 11.00am and there will be a sausage sizzle at 12.00. This is being run by the Friends of the school.

Yesterday we farewelled a St Pius parishioner Ngahaia Maxwell, know to us as Whaea Huia. Whaea Huia has supported our school for many years. In the early days she taught our girls to Karanga and often assisted us by calling on visitors to our school. Most of our students however would remember her as the trainer of the altar servers. Whaea was a perfectionist so consequently the St Pius altar servers were renowned for their expertise in this area. A wonderful friend to the school and she will be missed. Rest in Peace Whaea Huia.

Manaaki te Atua

Jane Rutherford

#### Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary May 31



"Mary visits her cousin Elizabeth  
Dear Mary, even though you were pregnant, you rushed to go to help your cousin Elizabeth who needed more help. Despite your cousin being older, she knelt before you calling you "Blessed among women", honored that the Mother of God would visit her. Dear Mother, teach me to love like you, and remind me and the whole world how much you love us; how much God the Father and Jesus the Son love us."

## May 2021

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
					1	2
			27	28 Vision & Hearing 9am	29	30
31						

## June 2021

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Cross Country	10	11	12	13 Confirmation
14	15	16	17	18 NO SCHOOL Teacher Only day	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 School Photos	29	30				

# What's Happening

## World Maths Day

Earlier this month the Year 2 to 8 students took part in World Maths Day on the Mathletics website. World Maths day saw our students put their maths skills to the test on the Mathletics Live Maths battlefield. They played against students from more than 9,000 schools in 127 countries around the world.

Here are our results;

### Year Group results

Year	NZ placing	World placing
2	7 <sup>th</sup>	290 <sup>th</sup>
3	12 <sup>th</sup>	240 <sup>th</sup>
4	30 <sup>th</sup>	411 <sup>th</sup>
5	2 <sup>nd</sup>	64 <sup>th</sup>
6	10 <sup>th</sup>	153 <sup>rd</sup>
7	3 <sup>rd</sup>	54 <sup>th</sup>
8	2 <sup>nd</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>

### Best Individual students

These students were ranked number 1 in their Year group at St Pius X. Also included is their NZ and World ranking based on the days results.

Year	Name	NZ placing	World placing
2	Matthew Chong	42 <sup>nd</sup>	2815 <sup>th</sup>
3	Rhys Longid	13 <sup>th</sup>	319 <sup>th</sup>
4	Sarah Park	142 <sup>nd</sup>	1967 <sup>th</sup>
5	Teesha Uyami	12 <sup>th</sup>	126 <sup>th</sup>
6	Micah Duran	48 <sup>th</sup>	525 <sup>th</sup>
7	Mbali Kwenda	16 <sup>th</sup>	229 <sup>th</sup>
8	David Ranjo	18 <sup>th</sup>	98 <sup>th</sup>

## 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.

- Accepted the audited accounts.
- received a report on the Mathematics curriculum.
- received an update on the staff professional development that is taking place in the school from the principal.
- received notice of upcoming Teacher Only Days.
- received feedback from an STA training session.
- received the initial planning for the Years 7 and 8 camp.



## This Weeks' Birthdays

May  
 23rd—Jaron—Piwakawaka  
 25th—Tawhiri—Tara iti  
 26th—Katelyn—Hoiho  
 28th—Chelsey—Piwakawaka & Taylor—Tara iti

Happy Birthday from everyone at St Pius X

## MONARCH MARCHING TEAM

Marching is about about team work, making life-long friendships, discipline & building self confidence!!

We are now recruiting!!

Age 5-7 years (intro)

Age 7- 12 years (under 12's)

If your interested please contact

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19th June 2021  
 2-4pm  
 @ Vardon School