

St Pius X Catholic School

Te Kura O Hato Paea

Newsletter Week 11 Term 1

Holy Thursday 14th April 2022



Principal's Message

Tena koutou katoa.

Last day of Term 1 and if you are anything like the staff, you will be looking forward to the Easter Break.

I hope not too many of you will be working and that you do get to celebrate the Easter Church ceremonies and also have a break with your families. You will see below the times for the Easter ceremonies in our parish.

As you know we are now in orange and I have included information in this newsletter on what that would look like when the children return to school. Parents may now attend the Easter liturgies assembly in the Church at 2.00pm today, we ask that you wear a mask, it will also still be live streamed.

We will be welcoming the children back on Tuesday 3rd of May and not the Monday as this is a staff development day.

Parent Interviews: Thursday 19th May, this will be a half day for students. Details for booking times will be available in Week 1 of Term 2.

Finally, I want to wish you Easter Blessings, if you are travelling, safe travels and if you are staying home, may this time be a relaxing and sacred time with family.

Ma te Atua e Maanaki

Jane Rutherford

Holy Week Timetable:

As we are now at orange level, there is no restriction on numbers.

Thurs 14th April	Mass of the Lord's Supper	7.00pm Mass
Friday 15th April	Good Friday Liturgy	3.00pm
Saturday 1th April	Easter Vigil	7.00pm Mass
Sunday 17th April	Easter Sunday	9.00am Mass 11.00am Mass



In addition we will have the Walk of Witness beginning 10.00am Good Friday at St Pius X and finishing at Hamilton South Baptist with Hot Cross Buns.

God Bless

Fr Danny



Moving to Orange

The decision to move to Orange has been made on public health advice and reflects that we are moving past the peak of cases and our health system is able to cope. We are seeing that cases are declining due to high levels of vaccination and natural immunity after infection.

I wanted to give you an update on what the move to Orange means for our school.

At Orange, face masks are no longer required at school. However public health advice is that masks continue to be strongly encouraged when indoors. Wearing a mask is a key health measure that slows the spread of COVID-19 in indoor settings. For that reason, we ask that visitors to the school, including parents and whānau, wear a mask whenever they are indoors on school grounds.

We also ask that your child (if they are Year 4+) continues to bring a mask to school every day. There may be times that we'll ask them to wear a mask, too – for example, when we are having an assembly or singing as a whole school. If there are a high number of cases at school or in the community, we may ask that masks are worn in classrooms for a time.

Of course teachers and students are free to wear a mask in class at all times, it is important that they feel safe at school.

At Orange, students aged 12 and above are still required to wear a face mask on school or public transport.

We will continue to keep all the other health measures in place at school that we know slow the spread of COVID-19. These include ensuring our indoor spaces are well-ventilated, maintaining good hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette, appropriate physical distancing whenever we can and, most importantly, staying home if we are sick.

We are looking forward to a few less restrictions and returning to school life that is a bit closer to normal.

Jane Rutherford



Winter Uniform When children return they will be required to wear winter uniform. Please ensure all items are named. (We have some second-hand uniforms here, we just ask for a small donation if you wish to take something for your child).

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

St Pius X jackets and beanies are an optional extra. Please make sure your children have adequate wet weather gear. Contact Direct Group for uniform requirements on 07 847 6664 or click on the following link

<http://directgroup.co.nz/site/>



What's Happening



What's happening on your Board of Trustees

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

- ⇒ Received Annual Accounts
- ⇒ Approved 2022 budget
- ⇒ Received the February Assessment Report
- ⇒ Rolled over the Performance Management Policy
- ⇒ Rolled over the Privacy Statement
- ⇒ Rolled over the Governance Policy
- ⇒ Received an overview of the Kia Kaha (anti-bullying programme)
- ⇒ Gave approval for planning for the senior camp

St Pius X School Board

Casual vacancy for a parent representative

A casual vacancy has occurred on the school board for an elected parent representative.

The board has decided to fill the vacancy by selection.

If 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Request for a by-election should be sent to:

Presiding member: Mr Brendon Muir (Chairperson)

St Pius X School Board of Trustees

57 Pine Ave

Melville

Hamilton

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By: 12th May 2022

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https://www.stpius.school.nz/1/file_sets/20-school-holiday-programmes

Or you can go to our website—
www.stpius.school.nz and click on **School Holiday Programmes**.



*Happy Birthday from everyone at
St Pius X*

Holiday Birthdays

*Eben, Andrea, Luku, Rheeze, Rocket,
Marcel, Luku, Stanley, Jeslin & Siona*

