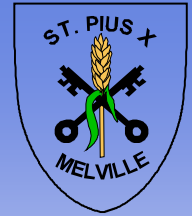


# St Pius X Catholic School

## Te Kura O Hato Paea



### Newsletter Week 6 Term 3

Thursday 1st September 2022

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#### MISSION STATEMENT

To Learn Love  
To Learn Wisdom  
The Way We Are



#### Principal's Message

Tena Koutou Katoa,

Welcome to the first day of spring and long may this wonderful weather last.

A huge thank you to our sports coaches, Tracey Vanxay, Katrina Sonntag, Shayle Moana-Jenkins and Tina Ngamanu. We had an extraordinary number of students wanting to play netball this year and, as in other years, we have a school hockey team. Thank you to our coaches, without you our students would have missed out. You are all a blessing to our school thank you.

Just a reminder we have our Father's Day assembly tomorrow afternoon in the Church 2:10pm it will be great to see lots of Dads there.

Jump Jam: We have entered a team this year into this competition it will be held at St Peters College Cambridge. Tickets are available from Ticketek.

We have had four new entrants start over the past two weeks and we wish them every blessing as they start their school journey.

Ma te Atua Maanaki  
Jane Rutherford



Jaeden, Kean, Xander, Ezekiel

#### Important Dates—September

2nd	Father's Day Assembly (church)
10th	Jump Jam Comp.
16th	Friends of the School cup of tea
18th	First Communion

## School Banking

If you want your child to join the First Credit Union, there are forms at the office. Banking is collected from the school every Wednesday



## Term 3

**F**ather's Day Assembly is TOMORROW 2nd September. We would love to see our Dads there! The Assembly starts at 2.10pm and is in the Church.

**T**erm 3 Finishes on Friday 30th September and Term 4 starts on Monday 17th October

**FREE CHAIRS**—We have several chairs we are giving away. We need to find homes for them as soon as possible. First in first served!!



## Friends of the School

# Coffee cake and CONVERSATION

THE FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

invite parents/caregivers & whanau of St Pius X learners to meet with other parents over coffee/tea and home baking

Friday 16 September 8:45-10:00am  
Staff Room



EVERYONE IS INVITED

SPECIAL WELCOME TO NEW PARENTS/CAREGIVERS



End-of-Term ½-Price-Sale! ¶

¶  
Get 4 lessons for the price of 2 when you ¶  
Sign up for UKULELE or GUITAR with: ¶

**MUSIQHUB**  
PLAY SMART

Just contact Carl for more info... ¶  
[carl.watkins@musiqhub.co.nz](mailto:carl.watkins@musiqhub.co.nz) ¶  
027-388-9558 ¶

## 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:

- Welcome the new members
- Elected the presiding member
- Reviewed two quotes for furniture
- Received and discussed the mid-year assessment report from the principal.
- Viewed the school's Emergency Plan.
- Renewed the Curriculum, Classroom Release & Enrolment of International Students policies.
- Received information about the HPV vaccine.

## Birthdays

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

*Happy Birthday from  
everyone at St Pius X*

### September

2nd—Wesley-James—

Piwakawaka &

Jeona—Kea A

3rd—Max & Ava—Tara iti

4th—Chele—Kea B

5th—Liam—Tara iti

6th—Aron—Karearea &

David—Piwakawaka

7th—Noah—Kea A





## A SNAPSHOT OF ST PIUSX (ONAM CELEBRATIONS)

Onam is a celebration in Kerala, no matter caste or religion. Our TuT Onam celebration at school started with a quick slide presentation explaining Kerala to our classmates. During Onam, we made a pookalam which is a flower design on the ground; we all had fun arranging the flower petals. Looking around at everybody's faces, we could see lots of smiles. After that, we went out for a game to connect with family and friends because Onam is a celebration where we spend time with our friends. We played tug of war and musical chairs. Then Ain, Catherine, Siona and Zelen danced. The dance was for everybody to enjoy their time watching others perform. Lastly, we had an Onam Sadya, which is rice and multiple curries on a banana leaf. We used plates for our Banana leaves. We also had a traditional dessert called payasam, which everybody loved. Our day ended well after the bell, but everybody enjoyed it.

Written by Ain and Siona





# A SNAPSHOT OF ST PIUSX

## Catholic Intermediate Cross Country at Kihikihi

Yesterday, eight of our Year 7 and 8 students competed in the Catholic Intermediate Cross Country at Kihikihi Domain. The course was longer and harder than everyone expected but our students ran well and enjoyed a new experience. We also heard how our students showed values of perseverance, determination, kindness and empathy. Thanks too to Amanda Warburton and Samantha Anderson-Miller for transporting and supervising. Without parental support like this we are unable to participate in these extra activities. Well done Team!

