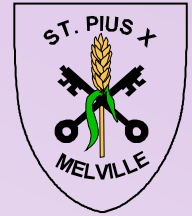


St Pius X Catholic School

Te Kura O Hato Paea



Newsletter Week 7 Term 1
Wednesday 15th March 2023

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MISSION STATEMENT

To Learn Love
To Learn Wisdom
The Way We Are

Principal's Message

Tena Koutou Katoa,

Tomorrow Thursday 16th our teachers and myself will be striking. As you would have heard, it is not what we want to do but must do to be heard. Our children need a quality education and we want to give that to them. To ensure this can happen the government needs to carefully look at; funding, resourcing for high needs learners, paying teachers what they are worth, exploring how they can ensure that teaching and principalship both remain an attractive career choice and how they can ensure there is parity between conditions for Primary and Secondary. To give some context to this statement, a new teacher earns just over \$1.50 more than the minimum wage, and that is after four years of study. Not only are we fighting for decent pay and conditions, we are fighting for the future.

Cultural Night. Reminder that we have to have numbers for the performances by Friday 17th March. This helps us plan the evening. Entries for performances will not be taken on the night.

Parent Interviews are next Wednesday 22nd March. You will be required to book a time through Skool Loop. Details on how to do this are on the following page. If you have difficulty with your bookings, please contact the office and Mrs Maree will be able to help you or make your booking for you.

Ma te Atua e manaaki

Jane Rutherford

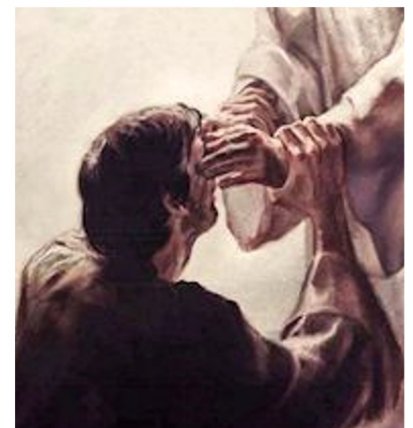
Fourth Sunday of Lent

Gospel John 9:1-41 Curing the Blind man.

O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

IMPORTANT DATES

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| Mar 22nd | Parent Interviews Goal Setting |
| 23rd | School Mass BoT Meeting 7pm |
| 24th | Cultural Night |
| April 3-7th | Easter Liturgies |
| 7th | Holy Thursday Last Day Term 1 |
| 26th | Term 2 Begins |





Speech classes help you children improve their spoken communication skills. Classes are being offered to children from year 4 to year 8 at school on Monday afternoons at 1.30pm. These classes include voice work, poetry, giving talks and some drama games. There will be an opportunity for the children to do a Speech NZ exam later in the year. The cost is \$15.00 per lesson for which you will be invoiced. If you would like your child to join these classes please contact Margaret 021 181 3096 or mmaryt@hotmail.com



Are nearly here again!!!!

Click on the following link to see what holiday programmes are available

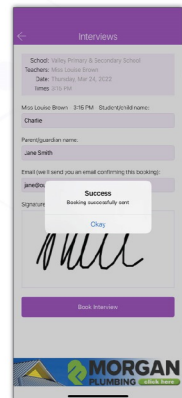
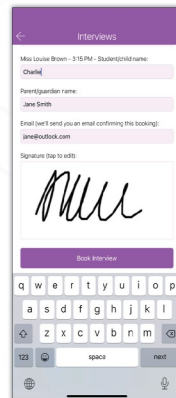
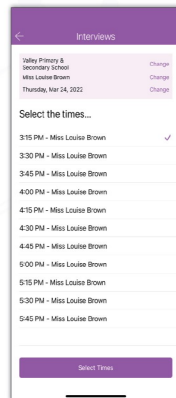
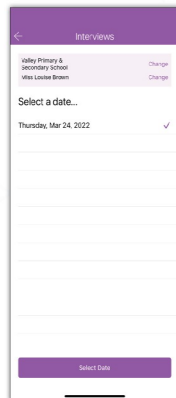
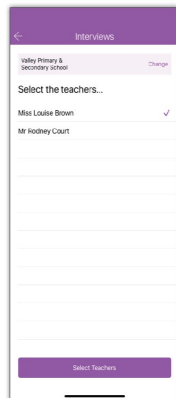
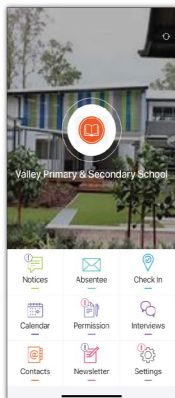
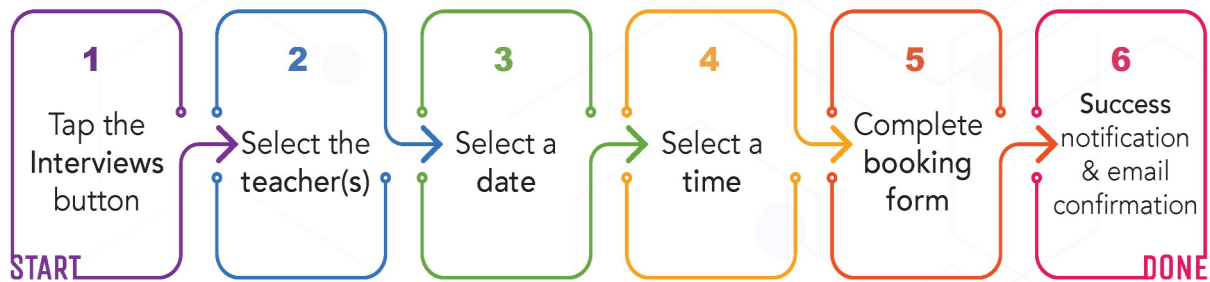
https://www.stpius.school.nz/1/file_sets/20-school-holiday-programmes

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

Booking Interviews with

THE SKOOL LOOP APP

Download **The Skool Loop App**. A simple 100% free download: In Google Play & App Store search '**Skool Loop**' & choose our school once installed.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*Happy Birthday from
everyone at St Pius X
19th—Angela—Karearea
21st—Johan—Tara Iti*



*St Pius X School and Friends of the School present:
2023 Cultural Showcase - Shared Picnic & Performance*



Everyone welcome! Friday 24 March 5:00pm-7:30pm

Come and celebrate the family traditions and cultural influences that make our school community so special

The St. Pius X Cultural Showcase is an evening to share food together and watch performances. Your family is invited to bring a food dish to share and/or sign up to provide entertainment.

Here is how you can participate:

COME ALONG! *Everyone is welcome to attend - experience what others are sharing and get to know the St Pius X School community better. We encourage parents and children to come in cultural or traditional dress.*

SHARED PICNIC: *Bring your favourite dish to share with others - food which is 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: *Contribute to the entertainment schedule with a performance - dance routine, singing, musical instrument, poetry recital, skits, juggling, magic tricks, martial arts demo, etc. Individual or group. 5-minute slots are available. There are no limits to the types of family-friendly entertainment we'd love to see!*

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If a member of your family is interested in performing - email the following information to friends@stpius.school.nz or complete this form and return to school office. Friends of the School will then be in touch with further details.

The last date to register interest for performance slots is 17 March.

Student's Name & Room number:

Parent's Name:

My family would like to contribute

live performance *food* *other*

Details:

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taying Safe on Social Media

A nation-wide campaign to raise awareness of how everyone can stay safe on our Catholic social media platforms starts next Monday, 20 March. Check our Facebook, Instagram and other social media each day from Monday for tips on how to keep yourself safe. Details of the campaign are here: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/socialmedia-safety/>

Seven Tips for Staying Safe on Social Media

#1

Never accept a friend request from someone you don't know personally

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#3

Learn more about privacy at [facebook.com/about/basics](https://www.facebook.com/about/basics)

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#5

Don't provide or share any personal information or passwords

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#2

Do a Facebook Privacy Checkup on your account

Seven Tips for Staying Safe on Social Media

#4

Check that anyone who contacts you or you chat with is genuine
not everyone is who they say they are

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#6

Change your Privacy Settings so only friends can see your other friends

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#7

Be sceptical – ask yourself “Why do they want to know this?” & “What could they do with that information?”