

St Peter's College

Grafton, Auckland, New Zealand



Catholic School for Boys in the Edmund Rice Tradition

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A Community In Action

The tragic Nepalese earthquake has left thousands dead and entire communities levelled. It's difficult to know at this time how they will begin to repair the devastation that they have suffered. And yet, they will rebuild and, in time, heal.

Community is a powerful tool to overcome adversity. A strong sense of community, however, is easily lost in the hectic pace of modern life.

We are currently in the midst of our enrolment interviews for 2016. In these interviews many parents voice that one of the major reasons they are interested in St Peter's College is our strong sense of community. Whilst geographically we are dispersed across Auckland, as a College we are an example of a community in action. Many of the events and activities in the College would not be possible without the time and expertise of our many community members.

Thank you to all our countless volunteers who give so much to the boys, staff, and the wider St Peter's community.

· We are supporting the Caritas appeal for Nepal. Details of how to support the people of Nepal can be found in this weeks newsletter

· Congratulations to our Musicians for the stunning Anzac Memorial Concert at St Benedict's.

· Our production of Pippin will begin its run from Thursday 18th June. Mr Hellyer is very excited by the talent of the students taking part and how the show is coming together. Tickets now on sale at www.iticket.co.nz

· A reminder that all of our Year 7 –13 students have exams coming up in the next month. Boys should be well into their home study programmes.

Ma te Atua e whakapaingia koutou katoa

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JBentley'.

James Bentley

Acting Headmaster



Upcoming Events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
11 May	12 May	13 May	14 May	15 May	16 May	17 May
PTFA AGM @ Staffroom Tongan Community AGM 7pm		Assembly (Senior) Y7 Immunisations @Hall M/S Sports Exchange v Dilworth Old Boys Meeting @Library 7pm	Rugby Dinner @ Hall 7pm St Benedict's Concert @ 7pm	Y7 & Y8 Social @ Hall	1st XV v Kings @KC 2.30pm	
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
18 May	19 May	20 May	21 May	22 May	23 May	24 May
Komiti Meeting 6pm	Y7 CZ Football @ Meloa Rd	Assembly (Junior) M/S Sports Exchange v Sacred Heart @ SHC M/S Central Zone Rugby @Avondale Racecourse	Mothers Dinner @ Hall 7pm Y8 CZ Football @ Meloa Rd Pippin Rehearsal (Leads @ St. Mark's Parish)	Pippin Rehearsal @ Hall 9am-3pm – Whole Cast @Carey Park after school	1st XV v MAGS @Cage 2.30pm Old Boys Function @ Hall 12.30pm Pippin Camp @Carey Park	Pippin Camp @Carey Park

Important Dates for the Coming Term

9-10 May	Amnesty Conference @Hall
13 May	Y 7 Immunisations @Hal
13 May	Old Boys Meeting @Library 7pm
14 May	Rugby Dinner @Hall 7pm
14 May	St Benedict's Concert @ 7pm
15 May	Y7 & Y8 Social @Hall
21 May	Mothers Dinner @Hall 7pm
25 - 28 May	Middle School Exams
29 May	Mid Term Break

Bereavements

Matthew Gravestock (9RIC) Grandfather died.

Roman Davis (9RIC) Grandfather died.

.....Rest in Peace

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Please ensure you phone the school by 9am if your son is going to be away or out of school for any appointments. We also ask that you send a letter with your son on return. Phone Mrs Alison Strong (Attendance Officer) on 524 8108 ext 7341

CONTACT DETAILS

Please log on to the SPC Portal: <http://www.st-peters.school.nz/SPC-Service-Links.aspx> to request a change of details. (see page 4 for information about our new SPC Portal).

Please be advised that due to safety concerns the front gate will be locked from 3.00 - 3.30pm Mon - Fri.

Special Character News

'The St. Peter's Man is a Man of Faith'

Kairos Retreat (Y 13)



Kairos Retreat # 14 – Y13

Kairos # 14 for Year 13 students starts on the afternoon of June 30th, Week 11 of this term, and finishes on the evening of July 3rd. Applications for this retreat are available from the Student Academic Office. Application Forms should be filled in and returned to the Kairos #14 Applications Box by Thursday May 28th (also in the Academic Centre).

Service Programmes

The St Peter's Man is a Man of Service

Service Due Dates

- Year 7 and 8 due Friday July 23rd
- Year 9 due Friday May 22nd
- Year 10 due Monday June 22nd
- Year 11 due Friday 31 July 31st
- Year 12 due Friday August 21st

Service Opportunities

'Fit For Mission' House Service 2015

In response to Bishop Patrick Dunn's 'Fit for Mission' Pastoral Plan, all House Leaders have arranged House Service in the wider Auckland Community this year. The current projects and coming opportunities are as follows:

Bodkin:

- Beach clean up from Mission Bay to Saint Heliers
- Mornings of 17th, 24th, 31st May and 7th June
- To sign up go to the Bodkin Facebook group + there will be a sign up sheet on Mr Watkins' door (C21), or you can go to your Class Captain, or House Captain **Luke Agnew**

Lynch:

- Completed: Service Work at Auckland City Mission packing emergency supply baskets for individuals in desperate need of food

Nolan:

- Nolan House will be cleaning up the cemetery for the religious at St. Pat's in Panmure
- Sunday the 17th May from 12pm till 4pm
- To sign up go to the Nolan Facebook group or you can go to your Class Captain, or House Captain **Callum Williams**
- Students need to bring gardening tools like racks, hedge and edge clippers, spades, wheel barrows etc if possible

O'Driscoll:

- Beach clean up at Pt Chevalier
- May 4th and 11th, 3.30pm and 5.30pm
- Sign up through level Class Captains, House Captain **Connor Cahill Fahey** or on the O'Driscoll house Facebook

Rice:

- Cleaning up around Coxs Bay and Coxs Creek
- Sunday 10th May, from 9am-1pm
- This event is open to any students, Year 7-13, as well as any family members that want to give us a hand
- Sunday 10th May, 9am-1pm
- To sign up see your Class Captain, or House Captain **James McIntosh**

Treacy:

- Auckland Domain - tidy up of gardens and environment
- Upcoming dates for the next Service are Sunday the 9th of May and 16th of May
- To sign up go to the Treacy Facebook group or you can go to your Class Captain, or House Captain **Eidan Ackland**

Special Character News (continued)

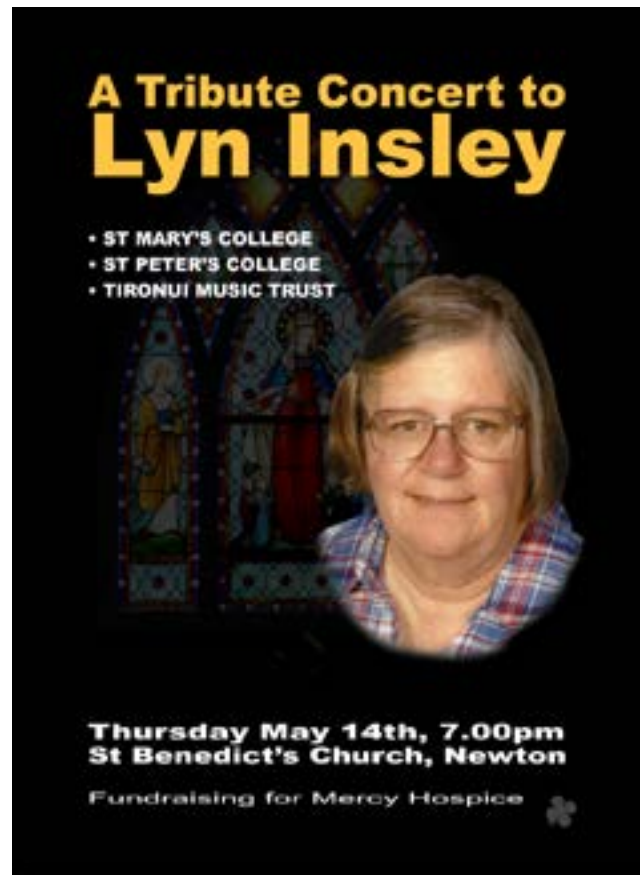
Caritas Nepal Disaster Appeal



In the wake of the massive 7.9 earthquake that has hit Nepal, Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand has committed an initial NZD50,000 for the immediate recovery efforts. The global Caritas network to ensure that we meet immediate needs for shelter, food and water, whilst being there for the long term rebuilding of lives and livelihoods.

We have launched an Emergency Appeal to help those affected by the earthquake. These funds will go into our **Nepal Disaster Fund**.

- **Internet banking deposit** to Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand, account number: 03 0518 0211216 00 (reference: Nepal)
- **Donate online** at www.caritas.org.nz
- **Text NEPAL to 833** to donate \$3 to Caritas' relief work in Nepal
- **Phone 0800 22 10 22** to make a credit card donation (during office hours)
- **Call 0900 4 11 11** to make an automatic \$20 donation to Caritas's work (a debit in the name of 'Caritas' will be added to your next telephone bill)
- **Post a cheque to Caritas**, Freepost 689, PO Box 12193, Thorndon, Wellington 6144.



A Tribute Concert to Lyn Insley

- ST MARY'S COLLEGE
- ST PETER'S COLLEGE
- TIRONUI MUSIC TRUST

Thursday May 14th, 7.00pm
St Benedict's Church, Newton
Fundraising for Mercy Hospice

Holidays During Term Time

We have had requests from parents about taking their son's on overseas holidays during school time. We ask that all parents consider the implications of this time out of the classroom on their son's academic achievement in the short, and long term. Another consideration is your son's commitments to his cultural, sporting and music groups. All requests for leave must be submitted in writing to the Headmaster's PA Veronica Voordouw vvoordouw@st-peters.school.nz well in advance of the planned absence.

Internal Assessment Deadlines

All due dates for internal assessments can be found through the following page:

<http://www.st-peters.school.nz/News-and-Events/News/NCEA-Internals-Deadlines.aspx>

From the Assistant Headmaster (Middle School) Michael Mullin

Term Two is racing by and with so much on it will be the holidays before we know it! Two events that the Middle School have been involved in over the past few weeks were the Mass of Acceptance for the Sacramental Group and The Giant Poppy Art Project 2015.

The Sacramental Group this year has 27 students that will be working with the DRS of the Middle School, **Mr Hadnett**. This will run in Terms 2 and 3 for 10 – 12 weeks. This is a chance for students to delve deeper into what the Sacraments are and how they will relate in their own lives. It involves students taking time to complete readings and do extra work to prepare for these sacraments.

In week one each of these students started this initiation at the Mass of Acceptance at St Benedict's Church, where **Monsignor Farmer** welcomed them and congratulated them in making this first step towards receiving the Sacraments.



The whole of the Middle School went down to the Auckland Domain to be part of the Giant Poppy Art Project. The installation consists of 59,000 specially minted red metal discs, (number of New Zealanders killed or wounded in WW1) placed on the ground to create a giant poppy shape.

The installation is 40 metres in diameter, making it the biggest commemorative poppy in the world. The art installation is about the ANZAC's, for the ANZAC's and their sacrifice for our freedom and ongoing democracy which will honour the 100 Year Anniversary of WW1 and the ANZAC's. The students all took the opportunity to lay a Poppy disc in remembrance of someone or all that served in war.



It is important to ensure that everyone is aware of all that is going on in Term Two in the Middle School. Please note that Winter Sports have started, immunisation talk takes place in week four, another social will be on and a big reminder about Mid-Year Exams in Week 6. Last, but certainly not last Eisteddfod will occur in the last week of term.

Michael Mullin

Assistant Headmaster Middle School



1st IX Softball Top Four Finish at Nationals

After winning the Auckland Championship earlier this season, the 1st IX Softball team recently travelled to the NZSS Championships in Lower Hutt. The team made a great start to the 5 day tournament winning their first 5 games. Unfortunately, two very narrow losses (2-1) to eventual finalists, MAGS & St Pats, put the team out of contention for the title and they finished 4th.

New SPC student, **Jeron Tan**, was the dominant pitcher of the week, striking out 57 of the 161 batters he faced and was the top ranked pitcher of the tournament. **Jared Fuamatu & Joseph Kohlhase** were outstanding in the batters box, finishing 2nd & 3rd in the tournament batting stats.

Congratulations to Jeron & Joseph, selected in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Team and to **Nelson Kohlhase, Kane Natua & Kalin Felise**, named in the Tournament Rest Team.

Congratulations also to Joseph on his selection in the NZ Junior Black Sox to compete at the European Men's Championship later this year in Prague.



Waterpolo – National Results

In April holidays, the Senior A Water polo team competed in the New Zealand Secondary School Championship. The Tournament began with a strong game against St Patricks winning 13-7, a high scoring game. A tough game followed, taking a loss against John Paul (Eventual champions). Over the second and third days we had wins over St Johns (18-2), Northcote (9-8) and Rosmini (12-10). Being second in our pool, equal with Hamilton boys was a solid position for our young team. A win would guarantee a semi-final berth. A hard fought game followed, with passion and intensity outdoing any of our previous performances. The outcome of the 8-8 draw was not ideal as it put Hamilton Boys ahead of us on a countback of goals. We played Takapuna Grammar for 5th place. Once again a battle ensued, goal for goal until the last quarter when the opposition managed to nose ahead. A tournament in which placed 6th for St Peter's College was a good result. The future years with a young team is

something to look forward to. Congratulations to **Cooper Stewart** who was named in the tournament team.

Water Polo continues this term with three intermediate teams starting their competitions and Juniors begin training in Term 3.



Senior A Team

Cycling Report

The first Auckland Schools Road Race was held at the Pukekohe race track on Sunday 3rd May. The boys attacked their first road race of the year with great vigour & enthusiasm.

Congratulations to **Thomas Mackenzie-Bowie** (U15B silver) and **Aidan Merrick** (U14B gold) placing in their respective age divisions. Well done to our first year riders, **Thomas Mullins & Josh de Frere**, who gained very credible placing's in their first cycling race ever.

Results as follows:

U13B	8th Josh de Frere
	11th Thomas Mullins
U14B	1st Aidan Merrick
U15B	2nd Thomas Mackenzie-Bowie
U16B	11th Jayden Kuijpers



Aidan Merrick U14 1st, Thomas Mackenzie-Bowie U15 2nd

Sport (continued)

SPC Archery success at Inter-school Competition

Term 1 saw Auckland school Archery teams compete for the Auckland Secondary Schools Archery League Cup. This event, now in its 3rd year is a major competition on the school's calendar. Held at Auckland Archery club, teams are comprised of 4 archers, with multiple teams per school taking part. SPC Archery submitted 5 teams across the 3 divisions.

The final round saw SPC with a chance to win all three divisions if everyone was able to win their matches. There was some first class shooting from all members of the SPC A team to win over King's College A team to win the League Cup. The results from the Auckland Secondary Schools Interschool League were:

Recurve:

Division 1

1st - St Peter's College A – **Chayse Martin-Roberts, Luke Franklyn, Matt Storer, Stephen Solis**

3rd - St Peter's College B – **Andrew Johnson, Finn Boyle, Leon Southey-Ray, Ben Cook**

5th - St Peter's College C – **Jacob Cook, Jack McConnell, Lawson Brownie, Xerxes Mistry**

Division 2

1st - St Peter's College D – **Harrison Franklyn, Damon Burdett, Caleb Wong, Thadeus Gillard**

Division 3

1st - St Peter's College E – **Jack Kleinsman, Cole Franklyn, Ash Paul, Mario Thapliyal**

Rugby Dinner

This year's annual Community Rugby Dinner is on Thursday, 14 May. It's always a good night of fun, stories and this year we have a great line up of speakers. The guest speakers are All Black Great – **Michael Jones** and SPC most recent All Black, **Patrick Tuipulotu** are being interviewed by **Gregor Paul**. MC is **Mike McRoberts**. The funds raised support SPC Rugby Development.

Auction Items include

- Framed 2014 All Blacks Rugby Jersey
- All Black Greats jersey signed by **Zinzan Booke, Christian Cullen, Sean Fitzpatrick, Michael Jones, Jonah Lomu and Eric Rush**
- Land Rover for the weekend and Accommodation at Holiday Inn at Rotorua.

Autographed Rugby Balls are available for sale. This is to support the Under 15 Rugby Team travelling to the South Island in July.

Click below and see details on how to purchase a ball autographed by **Michael Jones** and **Patrick Tuipulotu**.

[http://www.st-peters.school.nz/Sports/Rugby-\(1\).aspx](http://www.st-peters.school.nz/Sports/Rugby-(1).aspx)

Tickets are \$55 and available from sport@st-peters.school.nz until Tuesday, 12 May.

St Peter's College
Rugby Dinner
Annual Community Celebration
Thursday, 14 May 2015

Come along and join
All Blacks **Michael Jones**
and **Patrick Tuipulotu**
being interviewed by
Gregor Paul

- Auction Items
- Silent Auction and raffles
- Rugby Balls signed by Michael Jones and Patrick Tuipulotu

Dinner: 6 pm
Meal: 7pm-8.45 pm
Venue: SPC Hall
Tickets: \$550 per table (10)
(including alcohol on arrival, dinner and dessert)

Secure tickets from
sport@st-peters.school.nz
524 8108 ext 7307

Congratulations

Tie and Cap recognition

Football Tie for 10 Games for the 1st XI – **Michael Bilton, Fred Koloamatangi, Michael Reid**

Rugby Cap for 8 starts for the 1st XV – **Harry Plummer, Luteru Tolai**

Rowing – Selected for the Blues and Light Blues Rowing squad – **Jonathan Kumarich, Caleb Dallow, Charlie MacDonnell and Matte Srhoj**

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CAREERS EXPO 2015

Tuesday 23 June 2015

For ALL Year 7-13 students & parents

St Peter's College will be hosting a Careers Expo on Tuesday 23rd June and we would like to personally invite you and your family to attend. The Expo is open to the whole school community and we welcome your involvement to make it a huge success.

There will be a range of exhibitors and a series of presentations including all major universities and maybe even a few old boys to inspire and mentor our young men.

Details for the evening:

Date: Tuesday 23rd June

Time: 6.00pm to 8pm

Venue: St Peter's College Hall, Mountain Road, Epsom



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This year, we are marking the 100th anniversary of the opening of our school. We have scheduled a day of festivities for 11am to 4pm on Saturday 17 October.

Please register your interest in joining us now. Registration forms can be printed from our website (www.westmere.school.nz) or we would be happy to mail forms out.

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BARA DENE ART SHOW



Tickets for the opening gala on Friday 15th May 6.30-9.30pm are now on sale via the website below. Tickets are \$35 and include refreshments and canapes and a chance to be the first to view the art on sale. The art show will also be open on Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th May (10am to 4pm) and admission is free. This is a great opportunity to purchase superb original art by emerging and established NZ artists. To buy gala tickets and to view art for sale <http://www.baradeneartshow.co.nz>



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