

St Peter's College

Grafton, Auckland, New Zealand



Catholic School for Boys in the Edmund Rice Tradition

20th May, 2016. Newsletter 8/16

The Sacramental Journey

Last week 28 boys from Year 7 to Year 13, and one staff member participated in the Rite of Acceptance Mass at St Benedict's. This is the first step on the journey to receive the holy sacraments. Whilst many have received Baptism, few have received Reconciliation, the Eucharist or Confirmation.

These boys are required to commit to our Sacramental programme led by Mrs Brenda Neville. Parents are also asked to attend regular meetings in support of their sons.

All of our families chose St Peter's because they want a Catholic education for their sons, yet many boys leave St Peter's without resuming their sacramental journey by taking the Eucharist. This is a shame as I know that the boys that do take this step develop an understanding and appreciation of their faith which will stay with them as they enter adulthood.

Blessings to our 28 boys and Mr Williams; we look forward to being alongside you as you take these wonderful steps.

· Congratulations to our Young Vinnies group who spent Saturday night 'sleeping rough' to highlight the plight of the homeless in our city.

· Congratulations to our music groups who performed our annual SPC/ St Mary's concert at St Benedict's last week.

· Thank you to our Rugby community that turned out to our Rugby dinner last night. Our gratitude to **Mrs Sue Casey** and team for putting it all together.

Ma te Atua tātou e manaaki God's blessings

James Bentley

Headmaster



Upcoming Events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
23 May	24 May	25 May	26 May	27 May	28 May	29 May
Photo School Seminar @ Pavilion	Scholarship students workshop – Dr Ian Hunter Y12 Academic Tracking Evening @ Hall 3.30pm-6.30pm Photo School Seminar @ Pavilion	M/S Exchange – Kings Prep Pompallier Shield @ Liston College Parent Meeting for Confirmation Programme @7pm in staffroom	Year 9 Service Due CZ Rugby - U45kg Waterpolo Dinner @Hall	Music Camp @ Carey Park 5pm 1st XI v Westlake @ 7pm North Harbour Albany Classics Quiz fundraiser @ Hall	1stXV v SKC @SKC Music Camp @Carey Park	Music Camp @Carey Park
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30 May	31 May	1 June	2 June	3 June	4 June	5 June
Samoan Language Week Rowing AGM @ Staffroom 7- 9pm	MS Central Zone – Year 7 Football Y11 Academic Tracking Evening @ Hall 3.30pm-6.30pm Samoan Language Week	Year 7 Cyber Safety 9–10am College Hall Year 13 Careers Assembly 12.15pm @ Pavilion (Guest speaker-Otago/ Waik Uni) Samoan Language Week	Middle School Exams MS Central Zone – Year 8 Football Football Dinner @ 7pm Samoan Komiti Meeting @ Staffroom 6.30pm Samoan Language Week	L2 Physics Internal p1-3 Middle School Exams Samoan Language Week Celebration @ AGGS	1st XI v MAGs @ Cage 12 noon	

Important Dates for the Coming Term

- 7-13 Jun** Senior Exams
- 13 June** PTFA Meeting @ Staffroom 7.30pm
- 14-16 Jun** Big Sing – Senior Choir @ Auckland Town Hall
- 14 Jun** BOT Meeting @ Library 7.30pm
- 15 Jun** Year 7 10.15am Boostrix Consent Talk
- 15 Jun** SPC Whole School Career Expo 5.30pm-7.30pm @ Hall
- 16 Jun** Year 10 Service Due
- 16 Jun** St Peter's Production of Miss Saigon - Gala

Bereavements

- Miguel Mamaril** (10NOL) Uncle died.
- Leander D'Souza** (9RIC) Grandfather died.
- Jackson Spring** (8TRE) Grandfather died.
- Cooper Penrose** (8TRE) Grandfather died.
- Ezrah-Jerhys Lava** (13TRE) and **Ezekiel Ah Ching-Lava** (9RIC) Aunt died.
- Sebastian Jacobs-Pou** (9RIC) Great Aunt died.
- Danny Squire** (8RIC) Father died.
- Jordon Philp** (10ODR) Great Grandmother died.

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.

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

Middle School News

Term Two is racing by and it will be holidays before we know it. Life for Middle School students is a particularly busy one and I would like to list a few events that have filled the lives of many of our students.

The Sacramental Group this year has 28 students who will be working with the DRS of Middle School, **Mrs Neville**. This will be 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 impact on their own lives. It involves students taking time to complete readings and do extra work to prepare for these sacraments.

Last Wednesday each of these students started his initiation at the Mass of Acceptance at St. Benedict's Church, where Monsignor Farmer welcomed them and congratulated them on making their first steps towards receiving the Sacraments.



Middle School Examinations begin in Week Five. Although for many students the prospect of sitting and succeeding in examinations is daunting, as long as boys do their best and consolidate their knowledge prior to the examinations then they can be pleased with their efforts. The Examination Timetable and the study guide have been posted on the SPC website. As parents, please be involved with your son's examination revision.

Winter Sport has started and many of our students are involved in a myriad of activities. If your son is not involved in a sport please encourage him to join as the benefit is immense.



It has been a privilege to lead the Middle School this term and I am so impressed with the pride that your sons have for St. Peter's.

Best wishes to you all

Maurice McKinley

Headmaster's Shield

for Academic Excellence

9 May: **Benjamin McIntosh** (11RIC)-
outstanding achieved in Y11 Theology
and Philosophy

16 May: **Matthew Donnelly** (9NOL)
- Ranked #1 in Y9 Academic Leaders

School Fees

Instalment two reminder

To all parents/caregivers
payment is due 20 May 2016.

Please ensure payment is
made by the date requested.

General

Visiting Artist

On Friday 13th of May we were lucky enough to have a visiting artist, **Kelcy Taratoa** from Mt Maunganui come into school to give a presentation to some of the Art classes.

Kelcy spent the whole day at St Peters and talked with **Ms Tsang's** Year 13 and **Mr Leaf's** Year 10, 11 and 12 Art class. He expressed his thoughts of Art and talked about his experiences of becoming an artist.



The students were really engaged and learnt a lot from his presentations. The students were asking questions and **Kelcy** was really impressed by the way the students asked him. He was also impressed with the Year 10 Art class who have been studying his artworks as a model for their paintings. The Year 10's presented their paintings to **Kelcy** really well and **Kelcy** gave a different comment to everyone who showed their work and reminded them to keep practicing and always be proud of their work.



We would like to give a big thanks to **Kelcy Taratoa** for coming in and taking some of his day to spend with our students and sharing his knowledge with us.

Kapa Haka Group

St Peter's Kapa Haka was honoured to be asked to perform at Good Shepherd School in Balmoral on Monday to celebrate Catholic Schools' Day with their students.

Good Shepherd is one of our contributing schools, so some of our boys were past students of the school, and some of the current pupils will be future St Peter's boys.

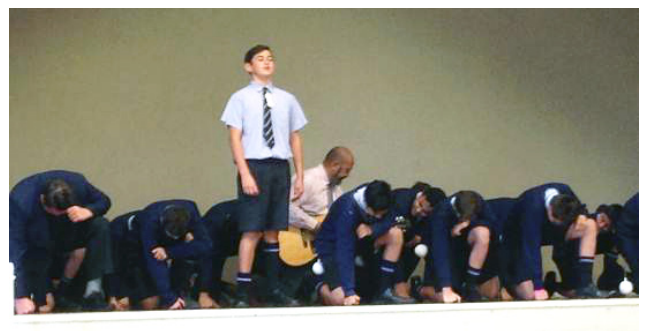


With over thirty boys on stage the boys performed brackets from both our Polyfest and Anzac Day performances, finishing with the school Haka.

In response, Year 6 students from Good Shepherd did their school Haka and sung a Waiata for our boys.



Both our boys and their students did themselves proud and we thank Good Shepherd for the privilege of being part of their celebrations.



General continued

Music

The St Peter's Music Department held a concert last Thursday at St Benedict's Church in Newton to raise funds for the soon to be built College Chapel. As well as the multitude of funds raised by the concert, the performances provided an opportunity for our musicians to play to a live audience in a new and more expansive acoustic. All our main groups received the opportunity to perform on the day, with the Concert Band, Jazz Band, Choir, Chamber Orchestra and Combined String Orchestra performing a short repertoire to kick off the performing season, which culminates at the KBB Music Festival, this year in late August. The musicians also got the opportunity to listen to groups of other schools in Auckland, as well as play alongside them. The St Ben's concert was the premier performance of the St Mary's and St Peter's Combined Chamber Orchestra and the aforementioned String Orchestra.



The combination of the two schools provided us with an opportunity to collaborate on an Artistic level and interact with other enthusiastic musicians of our own age. St Mary's had some of their own groups perform as well, with the Choir, Concert Band and Orchestra from their school performing.

Adding to this was a performance from young primary schoolers from Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Primary, which was incredibly well received by our audience. The Music Department would like to extend its thanks to all those who attended the concert, and to all those who helped in funding our new chapel, as well as supporting our fellow musicians.

Rockquest

The band 'Bleach Boys' consisting of four year 11 boys have made it through to the Regional Finals of the Smokefree Rockquest. The finals will be on the 11th June at Auckland Girls' Grammar. Their names are: **Ayush Choudhary, Peter Nash, Harrison Sommerville, Jack Barr.**





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TALOFA LAVA - Following are important notices from the SPC Samoan Parents Committee.

MoanaSina Programme 2016 - This is an exciting mentoring initiative which has been supported by the Samoan Parents Committee to SPC, now in its second year. The programme aims to assist and prepare Samoan students with the skills necessary to achieve well within their class environment, during exams and develop leadership skills for the benefit of the school and wider community. The application process is now open, and applications can be picked up from the Academic Centre. Please note the applications close on Friday 27th May. The application provides all the details about the programme. For further information, please contact spc.moanasina@gmail.com

Samoan Language Week - 29th May to 4th June 2016. Every year, New Zealand celebrates various Pacific languages and coming up at the end of this month, is the Samoan Language Week. The Samoan group leaders are planning a few events to celebrate this, supported by the Komiti. Further notices will be sent via email closer to the week. The theme for 2016 is “E felelei manu ae ma’au i o latou ofaga” – Birds migrate to environments where they survive and thrive”.

SPC Samoa Trip 2017 - A community meeting is planned to discuss the SPC trip to Samoa in 2017. This is an exciting initiative that requires a talanoaga with the Samoan community. Please diary in Wednesday 22nd June (6.30pm) for this meeting.

SPC Samoan Parents Committee: (2016 – 2018). The Samoan Parents Committee exists to promote engagement with the community, foster working relationship with the College and to support the College initiatives contributing to the success of Samoan students. An election was held last month at the community meeting, and the following members elected:

Vailoa Milo-Harris (Chairperson)

Fau Tiatia-Farani (Deputy Chairperson)

Fa’aulu Tomuli-Afoa (Treasurer)

Eseta Lava (Secretary)

Jacinta Morrison

Frances Fuamatu

James Fuamatu

Johnny Togafiti

Luke Golds-Uili

Kalolo Toleafoa

Hayden Kingon (SPC liason)

The Committee has exciting initiatives planned for the next two years. A new Strategic Action Plan is being developed and will be available on the school website. To contact the Komiti directly, please email: spc.samoan.community@gmail.com. Fa’afetai Lava.



Road Safety Week

For Road Safety week there are running two competitions, the mural design competition, and the Distracted Driver Draw. Students who experience our Distracted Driver simulator go into a draw to win some great Road Safety prize.

Parents can get involved by filling in the Community Survey, which has some great prizes on offer, including a year's pass to Auckland Zoo and Fuller's ferry tickets.



Sport

Archery

The SPC Archery squad is incorporating an Achievement system into their shoots.

The system involves archers achieving 3 pin scores at each level to receive the initial badge and subsequent ribbons, and to move to the next level.

The ribbons will be attached to an archers quiver to highlight the level of success they are at.

On completion of all the levels, the archer will receive a lapel badge in recognition of their achievement.

Intermediate and Advanced archers will start on level 3 and receive their badge and level 2 ribbon on achieving level 3.

Level 3 is the equivalent to the Archery In Schools Shoot which all archers compete at every Friday at the school range.

Level	Distance	Face Size	Pinscore Recurve	Pinscore Compound	Achieve
1	10m	80cm	120	125	Badge
2	10m	60cm	120	125	White
3	15m	60cm Recurve 40cm Compound	120	125	Royal
4	18m	60cm	120	125	Daffodil
5	18m	40cm	120	125	Cobalt
6	18m	40cm spots	130	135	Yellow
7	25m	60cm spots	140	145	Navy
8	25m	60cm Red/Gold	150	155	Gold & Lapel Badge

The initial badge design which holds all the ribbons together was created by **Jacob Cook** (11LYN), the winner of the archery badge competition and recipient of a \$50 voucher from Archery Warehouse.



Winning badge design

Lacrosse

SPC has a Lacrosse team that enters the College Sport competition and plays from August – September. Training is on the Domain on a Monday.

Information and Registration Forms are available on the SPC website under Lacrosse. Registration closes on Monday, 23 May

Basketball

Follow St Peter's basketball on their Facebook page, the basketball programme has a new way of keeping in touch with all goings on with St Peters Basketball, 'like' our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/stpeterscollegebasketball> and please share any photos or results to the page so that they can be shared.

Skills Coaching:

Director of Basketball – **Leyton Haddleton** will be running skills sessions before every weekday morning training, from 6.45am – 7am for any player that is training that morning. This is optional to the training but it is encouraged that you make it as you only have an hour with your coach to train and this extra 15 minutes will have you warmed up and ready to go!



Saint Peters Basketball has a new logo (see above). As you can see it is very representative of St Peters as it has the upside down cross and is in school colours. It was really important in this new era of basketball at the school to have a logo that was new, relevant and looked good. Warm up T-Shirts and supporter's T-shirts will be available for purchase with this new logo.

Sport (continued)

FOOTBALL DINNER

The Football Dinner is just 2 weeks away – Thursday 2nd June at 6.30pm in the School Hall.

It is for all years playing football at the school, middle school through to year 13.

Tickets are \$35.00 which includes a buffet dinner. There is a cash bar.

It will be a great evening with Simon Shepherd as MC, Ivan Vicelich as our guest speaker, presenting the first XI, Myer Bevan joining us for the evening before he leaves for London, having a meal together and the silent auction with great items such as Lone Star vouchers, a 2 night stay at Lake Tawawera, Farro gift basket, cafe vouchers, a seasonal car park opposite Eden Park and much more.

Please email Anna Drumm at adrumm@st-peters.school.nz to RSVP with confirmation of numbers, your son's name and team he is in.

1st XV Rugby vs Kings College

Come along and support the 1st XV at their first 'Cage' game this week. 2.30 pm kick off.

The Old Boys have their bar open up in the hall from 1.30 pm – and after the game.

Our sponsors' Kapiti Cheese' will be holding a tasting in the hall from 4.00 – 5.00 pm.

Rugby Community Dinner

A big thank you to all who attended the Rugby Community Dinner on Thursday night. We certainly had a lot of entertainment with **Eric Rush, Jordan Trainor, Gregor Paul** and MC **John Campbell**.

Team of the Week:

2nd – 8th May: Year 7 & 8 Leahy Hockey Team

9th – 15th May: 4th Grade Rugby Team

Player of the Week:

2nd – 8th May: **Samson Aldous** (8BOD) – U13 Rugby Team

9th – 15th May: **Pheonix Leupolu** (10NOL) – U15 Gold Basketball Team

Sport (continued)

Congratulations

Caleb Dallow (13BOD/Rowing Code Captain) has been selected for the Auckland RPC Blues Rowing Squad for 2016

Alexs Dabek (13BOD/Rugby Code Captain), **AJ Lam** (13RIC) and **Harry Plummer** (13ODR) are all recipients of the ARU Supporters Club Junior Rugby Foundation bursary award.

During the school holidays, **Sebastien Priscott** (11ODR) travelled to Wellington for the NZ Age Group Swimming Championships. Sebastien came away with four silver medals in total in 200m/400m/1500m Freestyle and represented the Auckland region in the relay team winning another silver medal.

From this meet and earlier meet results **Sebastien** has been selected by Swimming NZ in the National Development Squad - this is a high performance development squad preparing for future international meets.

Tie and Cap recognition

Rugby Tie for 5 starts for the 1st XV – **Kalin Felise** (12NOL), **Robert Leuga** (12BOD), **Soeli Fangupo** (13RIC)

Basketball Tie for 15 games for the 1st V – **Finlay Morris** (12ODR)

St Peter's Old Boys Achievements

Elliot Rhodes who has been selected for the New Zealand Coxless Pairs to compete in the U21 Trans-Tasman Rowing Champs

Lewis Hollows who has been selected in the New Zealand Men's Double Skulls to compete in the World University Rowing Championships

Stephen Jones will be competing at the Rio Olympics in rowing as part of the New Zealand men's 8 crew.

Reunion of Christian Brothers' Ex-Pupils

Christian Brothers' Schools' Reunion. Ex-pupils and staffs of the 10 Christian Brothers landed in Dunedin in 1876 to begin their mission in Schools. This gathering will be in Dunedin July 8-10. Registrations to G Morris, email georgemorris@hotmail.com or Br G Donaldson, 20 A Grover St, St Kilda, Dunedin 9012, phone: (03)4565040.

Samoan Parents Komiti

Congratulations to our new Chair Mrs Vailoa Milo-Harris who was elected to this position earlier this month

Vailoa was the inaugural Chair of the Komiti and has been a member of our Board of Trustees for the past 3 years.





Samosa Offer



A fundraising project for the
St Peter's College French/History trip to France January 2017

These samosas are delicious and will be delivered freshly made. They are suitable for freezing – keep a pack or two on hand for a quick dinner, lunches, snacks!

ORDERS CLOSE: 12.00 midday Monday 6th June 2016

Four flavours of Samosas come in bags of 10:

Lamb mince \$18 per bag of 10 / Vegetable \$18 per bag of 10

Chicken \$18 per bag of 10 / Butter Chicken \$20 per bag of 10

Please send your order to **ahomburg@st-peters.school.nz**
If you are buying them from this announcement they will be available for pick up
between 4.00 – 5.00pm Monday 13th June from
the hospitality classroom room T12 St Peter's College

Payment methods:

cash : payment to your seller

Cheque : Please make the cheque payable to *St Peter's College*

Please write "Samosa Order" and your name on the reverse of the cheque

Internet : Payment must be made before Sunday 12th June

Bank account : 01 1839 0303079 00 **Account name:** St Peter's College

Please insert "Samosa Order" and your name in the reference boxes

Invitation for the 2017 Music, History, Art Tour Presentation Evening

24 May, 7 PM

Music Department



SPC Music & History Cold War Tour April 2017



**Presentation Evening
SPC Music Department
Tuesday 24 May, 7pm**



The Music Department is organising another tour to Europe next year. We have the best prices, local knowledge, organisation and expertise with European countries. We will be walking through Cold War History in Eastern Germany, Poland, Czech Republic, Hungary, Croatia, Slovenia and Austria. The combination of history, music and art, billeting with local schools, forming lasting friendships of a lifetime. This is organisation of our Jubilee 10th European Tour – not to be missed!



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To access an enrolment form please contact your local clinic or complete the enrolment form online

www.ards.co.nz

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Ph: 09 8390565

www.ards.co.nz




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← Road Safety Week 2016, 16-22 May

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Visit AT.govt.nz/RoadSafetyWeek to complete Auckland Transport's online survey about road safety messages in your community and be in to WIN great prizes including a one year family pass for the Auckland Zoo, a Family Fullers ferry trip to Rangitoto and My Food Bag Packs.



Entry is open to Auckland residents aged 16 years and over. For more information and terms and conditions visit AT.govt.nz/RoadSafetyWeek



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BE IN TO WIN A MURAL FOR YOUR SCHOOL

Are you a talented artist or designer?

Join our competition for your chance to have your road safety design painted as a mural at your school. To enter, design a 'Step Up for Road Safety' mural using one of the following themes: **speed, seat belts, drinking and driving, distractions or fatigue**. Submit your design online at AT.govt.nz/RoadSafetyWeek



Entry is open to students year 7-13 in the Auckland region. The winning student's school will receive a \$2000 grant to paint the mural design at their school. For more information, terms and conditions and to enter visit AT.govt.nz/RoadSafetyWeek