St Peter's College

Grafton, Auckland, New Zealand

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Preparing for the Future

Over the past fortnight the Board of Trustees, Staff and groups of Students and Parents have been involved in constructing our Three Year Strategic plan. One aspect of this process was to identify which skills will be required in the future job market. Whilst this is akin to crystal ball gazing, it is vital for us as a College to ensure we are preparing the boys of our college for the future.

When I was at school, learning Japanese was deemed essential for the future job market and IT as just glorified typing. How things have changed!

Our boys can expect to have numerous career changes throughout their lives; therefore they need to have a skill set and a mindset that is adaptable and responsive to change. Being technologically savvy on its own will not be enough. They will also have to be willing and able to keep pace with the ever growing changes in this area.

Being skilled in Mathematics and the Sciences will not be on its own enough if you want to be an engineer, an architect or a surgeon. You will be expected to be able to have knowledge of history, languages, the arts, and literature. Public speaking is a must, as is a proven ability to work within, and lead a team. Employees will be expected to have the traits of perseverance,

resilience, dependability and an ability to work alongside people of different cultures and backgrounds.

Whilst we cannot predict everything correctly, at St Peter's we are confident that we are on the right path and that our curriculum is diverse enough to meet the needs of our students into the future. We also believe that the Catholic education we provide instils in our boys characteristics that are timeless in their value.

- Congratulations to our Concert Band who gained a Gold Medal at last week's National Concert Band festival in Gisborne.
- Welcome to the 8 boys and Mr Williams who received the sacrament of baptism at St Benedict's on Wednesday. As Monsignor Paul Farmer said, you are now prophets of our Church and our Catholic message.

Ma te Atua tātou e manaaki God's blessings

James Bentley

Headmaster



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Upcoming Events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
15 Aug	16 Aug	17 Aug	18 Aug	19 Aug	20 Aug	21 Aug
ART WEEK Assumption Day KBB Music Festival @ Holy Trinity Cathedral Basketball Dinner @Hall	KBB Music Festival @ Holy Trinity Cathedral	Assumption Day Masses KBB Music Festival @ Holy Trinity Cathedral Year 13 Careers Assembly 12.15pm @ Pavilion	KBB Music Festival @ Holy Trinity Cathedral	KBB Music Festival @ Holy Trinity Cathedral Tongan Group Fundraiser @ Hall 6.30pm	KBB Music Festival @ Holy Trinity Cathedral 1st XI @ St Kents	
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
22 Aug	23 Aug	24 Aug	25 Aug	26 Aug	27 Aug	28 Aug
HUMANITIES WEEK	Y8 Retreat @ Friary	Y9 + Y10 Mathex MS Central Zone	Y8 Retreat @ Friary	Y8 Retreat @ Friary		
Y8 Retreat @ Friary		Cross Country Waiatarua Reserve	Waiatarua Y7 + Y8 Mathex			
Sacramental Programme Reconciliation & Practice @ St Ben's		Y8 Retreat @ Friary	Mother's Dinner @ Hall 7pm	Mass of Initiation, 5.30pm @ St. Bens		

Important Dates for Bereavements the Coming Term

29 Aug-2 Sep Winter Tournament Week

29 Aug Sacrament of Reconciliation & Practice, 6pm @

St. Bens

1 Sep Music Dinner & Awards @Hall

3 Sep 1st XV Rugby Dinner @ Pavilion

Reid Leaupepe (10LYN) Uncle died.

Kevin Lio (11LYN) Uncle died.

Alexander (11BOD) and Lucas Shaw (8BOD)

Great Aunt died.

Semisi Tapa (10NOL) Uncle died.

Phoenix Sefo (80DR) Grandfather died.

Jamie Hall (12RIC) and Hugo Hall (10TRE)

Grandmother died.

Jacob Bishop (11TRE) Grandmother died.

Joshua Jeffery (10ODR) Granddad 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.

Special Character News

Philippines Trip 2017 Parent and Student Information Night



Current Year 11 and 12 students are invited to consider applying for the 2017 Edmund Rice Philippines Immersion Trip. The trip will take place over the July holidays next year. The immersion experience consists of one week in Manila and one week in Hinoba-an on the island of Negros, where students will be billeted with students from St Michael's Academy.



The Philippines trip 2017 will give students an opportunity to experience the charism of Edmund Rice in the developing world and to show solidarity with educators, church workers and those who are at the margins of society. The experience will also enable students to form Catholic leadership skills, including understanding of the church's mission in the contemporary world context. Come to the parent and student information evening for more details. Application forms for the trip will be available on the night.

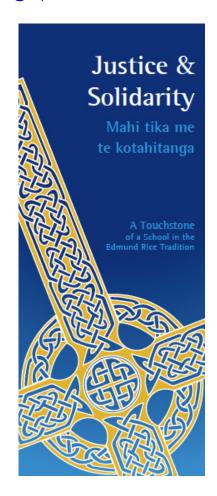
Details of the information night are as follows:

Venue: St Peter's College Staffroom

Date: Tuesday August 16th

Time: 6.00-7.00pm

For further information, contact Hayden Kingdon, Deputy Headmaster Catholic Character and Mission, 524 8108 ext 7388, hkingdon@st-peters.school.nz





Academic News

Announcement of New Year 9 and 10 Academic Leaders Academy Names

Places in the Academic Leaders Academies (ALA) for Years 9 and 10 have been recalculated using the Term Two exam results. The core subjects of Mathematics, Science, English, Humanities and Theology were used to determine the top overall 15 students in each year level. There were seven changes made to the Year 9 group and four changes made to the Year 10 group. The new groups will have their first Term 3 ALA session with Mr Kevin Heeney next week. Mr Heeney's senior 2015 Mathematics students achieved a record 9 Scholarships over Statistics and Calculus last year. We congratulate the future prospective Scholarship winners in the Year 9 and 10 Academic Leaders Academy named below (listed in order of overall placement, with number 1 being the top academic student in each year level).



Year 9 Academic Leaders Academy Term 3, 2016

Tom Tunnicliffe 9RIC (15)

Alex Wood 9BOD (14)

Ruaridh Gillespie 9BOD (13)

Andrew Koh 9NOL (12)

Conrad Wilkinson 9LYN (11)

Griffin Aldrin 9NOL (10)

Jamie Nash 9BOD (9)

William Hogan 9NOL (8)

Luke Jerkovic 9LYN (7)

Cameron Szeto 9RIC (6)

Maxten Sampson 9RIC (5)

Matthew Donnelly 9NOL (4)

Reid Lenihan 9NOL (3)

Jack Sloan 9NOL (2)

James Alexander 90DR (1)

Year 10 Academic Leaders Academy Term 3, 2016

Max McIver 10LYN (15)

Jonathan Stevens 10RIC (14)

Aswin Davis 100DR(13)

Harry Pitts 10BOD (12)

Samuel Devoy 10NOL (11)

Tom Grayson 10TRE (10)

Rudy Uchil 10LYN (9)

Sanju Anil 10NOL (8)

Tom Berry 10RIC (7)

Rohan Bhatt 100DR (6)

Shray Kamath 10TRE (5)

Connor Gallagher 10TRE (4)

Trent Wong 10LYN (3)

Liam Ivanov-Fesien 100DR (2)

Ethan Gray 10RIC (1)

Sport

The College Sport Individual Swimming Champs was held on the Sunday 31 July at West Wave. Congratulations to the following students on their results:

Sebastien Priscott (110DR):

1st Intermediate 400m Freestyle

1st Intermediate 100m Freestyle

2nd Intermediate 100m Individual Medley

3rd Intermediate 50m Back Stroke

Mitchell Landall (11RIC):

2nd Senior 10m Butterfly

Harry Williams (10TRE):

2nd Intermediate 400m Freestyle

The middle school team competed in the Central Zone basketball tournament on Wednesday placing 2nd overall. Good preparation for them as they lead into the NZ AIMS tournament in September.



The U15 gold team after winning their Central Zone grade 52 – 47 over Sacred Heart.

Auckland TTT - Race 4

Race 4 was raced in weather that was nothing short of atrocious - high winds, rain, hail & cold. At one stage the track was totally covered in hail, making the race track extremely perilous. Well done to all the SPC teams who completed the race safely. Junior D and E managed to improve their time compared to Race 3 with both teams improving their placings.

Below are the results to date.

	Race 4		Race 3		Race 2		Race 1	
Senior Boys - Fastest Time	1st	22:15.53	1st	22:46.14	1st	21:23	1st	22:12
SPC Senior A	10th	26:26.55	10th	25:48	12th	24:04		(No time 3 riders)
Junior Boys (U16) - Fastest Time	1st	24:10.63	1st	24:07.80	1st	22:56	1st	22:57
SPC Junior A	8th	27:14.04	8th	25:36	10th	25:15	13th	26:01
SPC Junior B	19th	30:43.98	19th	29:36	24th	29:19	26th	30:10
SPC Junior C	29th	34:03.20	24th	31:00	26th	30:11	28th	30:39
SPC Junior D	32nd	36:10.94	33rd	37:48	36th	35:24	40th	42:33 (rode extra lap)
SPC Junior E	34th	39:13.78	35th	39:45	38th	38:09	39th	39:26

Basketball

For the first time in St Peter's College basketball history 3 teams, U15 Gold, U17 Gold and the 1st V have qualified for the College Sport Basketball Championships Tournament, by placing in the top two in their respective Central Zone grades. They will be competing against the top teams from Counties Manukau, West and North Harbour zones.

The depth of the St Peter's basketball programme is strong, with a number of teams placed highly in their respective grades.

Congratulations to:

Cole Franklyn (10TRE) came 4th in the A Grade at the NZSS Trampoline Gymsports competition.

Liam Back (10 TRE) and Jeff Wang (13 ODR) competed in the NZ cross-country nationals held at the Auckland Domain.

Liam Back representing Waitakere came 2nd in the mens under-15 division

Ronan Gogarty Watson (11NOL) represented NZ Waterpolo born 2000 boys team that played in the recent U18 Pan Pacific Tournament

Garath Hale (7NOL) competed in the Taekwondo Regional Tournament earning gold medals in the Group Pattern and Individual Pattern

Sport (continued)



Team of the Week

25th – 31st July - 2nd XV Rugby

1st – 7th August - 15A Hockey

Upcoming Fixtures

Some big games this weekend with our 1st V basketball team starting the action off on Friday afternoon, with the Central zone final.

Saturday sees a double header with two of our premier teams playing away at Mt Albert Grammar. With the 1st XI football team, trying to reverse a first round defeat and the 1st XV playing their Semi final against top of the table Mt Albert.

Get there early to show your support!

Player of the Week

25th – 31st July - **Sakisoni Paseka** (11ODR) – 3rd XV Rugby

1st – 7th August - **Sammy Glover** (10ODR) – U15 Gold Basketball

1st Team	Against	Date	Time	Venue
1st V Basketball	Selwyn College	12 Aug	5.30pm	St Peter's
1st XI Football	Mt Albert Grammar 1st XI	12 Aug	12.00pm	Mt Albert Grammar
1st XI Football	St Kentigern 1 st XI	19 Aug	12.00pm	St Kentigern
1st XV Rugby	Mt Albert Grammar 1st XV	12 Aug	2.30pm	Mt Albert Grammar

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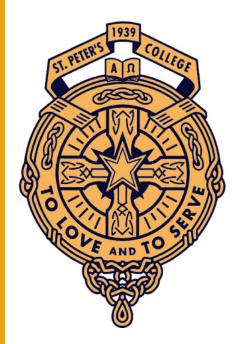
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Year 10 Parents - Curriculum Information Evening (CIE and NCEA)

Information evening for parents to discuss the academic pathways for students going into the senior school.'

When: Week 4 Tuesday 16th August 7pm

- 8pm

Where: St Peter's College Hall

IGCSE Mathematics Revision Classes

These classes will be held each week between now and the September exams in week 7.

The revision class for Y11 will be held on Wednesdays in O14 from 3.15pm to 4.45pm.

The revision class for Y10 will be held on Thursdays in O14 from 3.15pm to 4.45pm.

Reminder: The Mathematics tutorials for all students continue on Tuesdays after school in O12.

"Edmund's Shop"

Uniform & Stationery Opening Hours:

Monday to Thursday: (during

school Terms)

For Parents: 9:30am – 2:00pm For Students: Interval & Lunch time.

Friday: (During School Terms)
For Parents: 8:00am – 12:30pm
For Students: 8:00am – 8:30am & Interval time

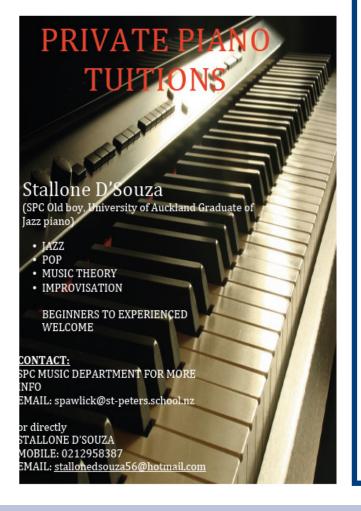
Please notice that the shop is NOT open at Lunch time on Friday.

Marriage Encounter Weekend:

23rd – 25th September 2016 at Allenby Park Motor Inn, Manukau, Auckland.

A special weekend encouraging couples to focus on each other, your communication, priorities, lifestyle and relationship.

Phone 0800 ENCOUNTER (0800 362 686) for more information and BOOK NOW!



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Saturday 10th September 8.30am – 3.30pm