

Special points of interest:

- School Charism
- Reading Results



Week 10
1st July
2009

Kia Ora everyone,

The last week of term 2 and where has time gone? It certainly has been a very busy and focused term. Each term brings new challenges and chances for our children to learn and challenge themselves.

Looking back through the terms calendar we have packed a lot into 10 weeks. Thank you to the teachers and support staff for their efforts this term.

It's great to have such a strong and dedicated group of people working together for the good of our children!

At the end of this week your child will be bringing home their school mid term report. This report is a snap shot of how they are learning in class and gives you an idea of their next learning steps.

Year 3-8 children have seen their reports prior to coming home and have been asked to reflect on their learning and where they can concentrate more next term. Please sit with your child and get them to talk about their learning. They will want to share their successes and will be seeking positive comment about these from you. The teachers spend a long time reflecting on each report comment and where they see as your child's next learning steps.

The only thing I can remember from my Kaeo Primary School reports was that Mr Murray said I ate the end of my pencil too much!

FOOD FAIR

What a result this was! People, people, people everywhere but not a spit to eat!

Huge support from the community and HUGE support from you the parent community.

Events like this do not just 'come together'. The PTFA and Parish certainly did an amazing job and the money raised was well deserved. The PTFA and parish representatives met last Thursday after school and debriefed.

They came up with a very positive list of things they would change and do better next time.

As principal I would like to thank the efforts of so many people. The cake makers, the servers, the spit CEO, the makers of the dishes.

Many people worked behind the scene to come up with a very professional and well presented Food Fair event. Sun Shades will be purchased for the summer as a result.

ANZ BANKING

ANZ Poster Competition

Thank you to everyone that entered the poster competition. There are some great posters - and you should all be really proud of yourselves! Keep saving for the things you drew for your poster.

The Food Fair was a fantastic event - congratulations! As it finished up earlier than expected, we thought we'd announce the Poster Competition winners when the whole school was together, so we'll be at your school assembly on 3rd July to do this then, and to present the "Caught Living the Values Award".

We invited three people from our local emergency services to be the judges of the competition. We'd like to take this opportunity to thank the competition judges. They did a fantastic job, and a job that was extremely difficult.

Sincere thanks to:

Deirdre Crene of Kaitaia St John Ambulance Mat
Tailby of Kaitaia Police Gary Rush of Kaitaia Fire Service

See you on Friday 3rd July!

From the
ANZ Team

CHARISM

at Pompallier Catholic School

This week on Monday and Tuesday, the school has been lucky enough to have Sister Teresa come and teach the children about the school's CHARISM. This is how our school upholds and lives the Charism of MERCY. We are a mercy school due to the fact that the Sisters of MERCY founder it 51 years ago. Our school differs from other catholic schools because of our special ways and traditions.

Some of the aspects she looked into were

- Who is Catherine McAuley?
- Name 3 things she is remembered for?
- What is the connection between Pompallier School and Catherine McAuley?
- Why did Sisters of Mercy come to NZ? When? How?
- How does mercy happen at Pompallier School? If Catherine McAuley or Cecilia Maher walked into your classroom.

A big thank you to Sister Teresa for making the trip north. It is the first time she has been to Kaitaia. Pity that we couldn't have put on a little sun for her.

20 HOUR FAMINE

\$451:50 was raised by our super seniors. What a great effort and thanks to the parents that sponsors these children.

Father Pat in England

Father has gone back to the Mother Land for some sun. He will be back on the 19th August. The school wishes him well and we made sure that he was coming back! Safe travels.

BOT SUMMARY June

- The Board welcomed Jo Buckingham as chairperson and acknowledged Andrew Kelleher's contribution to the Board over the years.
- The use of the wiki space on the school website was encouraged for use to update ourselves with policies and related information
- Sandpit cover has been ordered
- Intercom system is being investigated
- The board is looking at providing rubber matting for outside room 1 and 2 to prevent people slipping
- Year 3-8 Term 2 STAR results were presented, BOT impressed with the results.
- BOT reviewed their job descriptions
- Maori consultation to take place in August, we are hoping for good parent/stakeholder participation
- Next Meeting July 27th
- The BOT is to make final decision at next meeting re appropriate fixture in which to place the plaque in remembrance of the Sisters of Mercy's input in our school.

Rachel Thompson BOT Secretary

To all families, May God Bless you over the 2 week break. Have fun with your children and take some time to share in some activities with them.

Daniel Pepper

READING RESULTS Year 3-8

The STAR test for Year 3-6 were administered in week 7 Term 2 2009.

This is the first year we have given the Year 3 the STAR test.

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6

- 90% are average and above (38% above average)
- 52% average
- 10% are below average

Year 7 / 8

- 93% are average and above (30% above average)
- 63% average
- 7% are below average

Cohorts within the school

**Maori Student Achievement
39 students**

32% students are above average
51% students are average
17% students are below average

**European Student Achievement
79 students**

39% are above average
57% are average
4% students are below average

Boys / Girls Comparison

Year 4, 5 and 6

	Boys	Girls
Above Average	33%	40%
Average and above	89%	90%
Below Average	11%	10%

Year 7 and 8

	Boys	Girls
Above Average	36%	25%
Average and above	90%	94%
Below Average	10%	6%

Pompallier Catholic School Notice Board

School is back on the 20th July
9:00am
See you then.

FOOD FAIR DEBRIEF

The PTFA held a Food Fair debrief meeting on Thursday last week. We discussed things that went well and shared ideas for future Food Fairs. We would like to thank all those who helped out at the Food Fair with everything from donations, organizing, preparing, serving, and cleaning up. It was greatly appreciated and was a great success for our school and the Catholic Parish! A complete sell out!

Next PTFA meeting: 1st week Term 3

EVERYONE WELCOME!

School Values

These are the values that we have been focusing on over the last two weeks

Integrity

Genuine honesty in actions and words to self and others

- Telling the truth at all times
- Standing up for others when you have to
- Making those correct choices at all times
- Forgiving others

Mercy

To help and support others when we can

Being a leading hand in class and in the playground

Looking out to help others

Giving people 'Put Ups' and supporting everyone

School Values must be lived if they are to mean anything. Our children are asked to live these values everyday here at school.

To live as Jesus taught us.

ASSEMBLY

Please remember that there is an assembly this Friday at 2:00pm
School closes at 3:00pm

Everyone is welcome.

Students of the week

Room 1 Mateja Wiki / Alexa Ujdur

Room 2 Zoe Attwood / Travis Kimber

Room 3 Chloe Haines / Jacob Thomson

Room 4 Joshua Battey / Payge Beatson

Room 5 Jack Kelleher / Georgia Buckingham

Room 6 Jackson Aiono / Ella Haris

Room 7 Zane Beckett / Leah Adams

Duffy Books

These will be presented at Fridays Assembly.
Great holiday reading!

Sport

Under 7's

20.6.09

Pompallier/Ahipara

Player of the Day

Jack Philip

26.6.09

Pompallier/Waiharara

Player of the Day

Christopher Wintraecken

Under 9's

Pompallier 2/ Eastern 0

Payer of the Day

Sage Watson

House Group Points

Chanel 12765

Marcellin 11160

Maria 10690

McAuley 10349

Parent Information