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A Word from the Principal

Kia Ora e te Whanau,

We had sixty students in attendance at our Sunday Parish School Mass. This was a good turn out, however we must strive to have the majority of our students participating in our School Masses. Thank you to all the students and families that attended Mass and supported the PTA Cake Stall. Also, thank you to Miss Quinn for her planning and organisation of the Mass.

It was great to see many families contributing baking for the Cake Stall, and this was a great fundraiser for the school. There were many delicious treats that I saw students, parents and parishioners eating after Mass. A special thank you to the PTA Members who priced and sold the items.

We wish the following students the very best as they compete in the North Zone Swimming Competition tomorrow. I know that they will represent the school to a high standard: Alexander, George K, Cameron, Rylee, Flynn, Naledi, Billy, Oliver C, Samuel M.

During this Lenten Season St Albans Catholic School is supporting St Vincent de Paul with their 40 bags in 40 days collection, with a slight variation. It was great to see families contributing last week. There is a note further on in the newsletter.

Nga mihi nui,

Abraham Atherton

Principal – Tumuaki

Email: aa@stalbanscatholic.school.nz

Calendar

March:

- 12 North Zone Swimming Sports
- 13 3pm Fr Rick will be at school to sign Preference Forms.

School Accounts:

The School Donations are \$140 per child, and this can be paid via Internet Banking:

The voluntary contribution assists in the payment of various events and resources at St Albans Catholic School. To effectively run the school and provide quality learning outside the classroom these voluntary contributions are important.

St Albans Catholic School
Westpac Account number:
03 1704 0021234 00

Enrolments for 2021

As we are looking at our numbers for next year, we would like to invite you to complete the pre-enrolment form for those families with children turning 5 years old in 2021. These forms can be located in the school office.

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Covid-19 Update

COVID-19 (novel coronavirus). Update for St Albans Catholic School Whānau.

Kia ora, during the weekend there has been much media coverage on this topic. You may be wondering what St Albans Catholic School is doing to plan and prepare for an event like this.

The Ministries of Education and Health have been providing excellent communications to school principals on this issue for the last few weeks.

If you have checked our Pandemic Planning Policy on-line you will have seen that school specific content is no longer there. Instead we will follow the daily updates from Ministry of Education and Health.

Here is the current advice to us all:

Everybody should follow the following basic principles to reduce the risk of getting an acute respiratory infection or passing it on to others:

- regularly washing hands (for at least 20 seconds with warm water and soap and dry thoroughly).
- covering your mouth and nose when you sneeze.
- staying home if you are sick.
- avoiding close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms.
- if you feel unwell you should avoid public gatherings and events.

Here are two links for those who wish to read more.

Ministry of Education

[\[http://www.education.govt.nz/.../novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov/...\]\(http://www.education.govt.nz/school/health-safety-and-wellbeing/student-and-staff-health/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov/?fbclid=IwAR1bE5cDxl-IL1L1Q088ecjmSGpRVkL2bNutrSeVFco0aIWLMLYIVbeKHFw#preventing\)](http://www.education.govt.nz/.../novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov/...](http://www.education.govt.nz/school/health-safety-and-wellbeing/student-and-staff-health/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov/?fbclid=IwAR1bE5cDxl-IL1L1Q088ecjmSGpRVkL2bNutrSeVFco0aIWLMLYIVbeKHFw#preventing)

Ministry of Health

[\[https://www.health.govt.nz/.../dis.../covid-19-novel-coronavirus\]\(https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus?fbclid=IwAR1YL01NWDNMuC9x0_qPpRt2xvrCm9_4QR8BVuvKVva2tMiYYj2bst-ZIL-8\)](https://www.health.govt.nz/.../dis.../covid-19-novel-coronavirus](https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus?fbclid=IwAR1YL01NWDNMuC9x0_qPpRt2xvrCm9_4QR8BVuvKVva2tMiYYj2bst-ZIL-8))

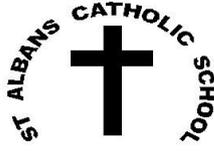
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Congratulations: Week 6 Awards

Well done to the following students who received a Class Award at last week's assembly. You can be very proud of your effort.

	Class Awards	Prayer Pack
Room 1	Ari	Ivy
Room 2	Archer	Ryan
Room 3	Rocco	Isaac
Room 4	Diego	Samuel H
Room 5	Naledi	Louis
Principal's Award	Mackenzie Finn Rinoa	



Head Lice:

The school has been notified of cases of head lice. Please check your child/ren's hair regularly. If head lice are found please treat before sending your child to school.

More information on the school website:

[Parents Head Lice Information](#)





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St Albans Catholic School Policies and Procedures.

The policies and procedures are tailored to our school, and the school supplies specific information such as our charter, and procedures for behaviour management, reporting to parents, etc. Policies are monitored by SchoolDocs and updated, modified, or created in response to changes in legislation, significant events, Ministry guidelines, reviews / requests from schools, and regular reviewing from the SchoolDocs team. Our Board of Trustees has the opportunity to view changes and additions, and comment on them before they are implemented.

Currently we have one policy up for review –

Recognition of Cultural Diversity

Parents are invited to take part in reviewing this policy and the instructions on how to do this are listed below:

1. Visit the website <http://stalbanscatholic.schooldocs.co.nz/>
2. Enter the user name (stalbanscatholic) and password (rutland).
3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
4. Read the policy.
5. Click the Policy Review button at the right hand top corner of the page.
6. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
7. Enter your name (optional.)
8. Submit your ratings and comments.

Please do not hesitate to see Jenni in the office if you have any questions or need access to a computer to complete this review.

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LEARNING QUALITIES

*Managing Self *Relating to Others
*Participating and Contributing
*Using Language, Symbols and Texts *Thinking

TEAM PLAYER:
I am a team player who *enthusiastically* participates and contributes. I have a strong sense of belonging. I am *co-operative* and *accountable* for my words and actions. I value different cultures within my class, school and community.

CREATIVE THINKER:
I am a creative thinker and problem solver who is curious about my world. I *use a range of strategies* to actively seek knowledge by questioning, *reflecting* and communicating. I *persevere* and never give up on myself.

HIGH ACHIEVER:
I am a high achiever who strives for personal excellence across all areas of my life. I understand the need for *goal setting*, effective self-management skills and *diligence*. I value competitiveness in both myself and against others and *accept challenges* and disappointments as positive learning opportunities.

RESPECTFUL LEARNER:
I am respectful of myself, others and the environment. I show consideration and *empathy* in my relationships with others. I am reliable, *courteous* and *responsible*.

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATOR:
I am an effective communicator when I give, receive and interpret information to convey and receive messages. I build relationships by being an *active listener* and *clearly express myself* using appropriate language and ICT tools. I am *resilient* and confident and have a positive sense of self-worth.

Mana Ake

St Albans Catholic School has a new Mana Ake Kaiamahi. Mana Ake promotes wellbeing and positive mental health for children in years 1-8. The Mana Ake service is provided by people with a range of skills including social workers, whanau ora kaimahi, counsellors, youth workers, nurses and psychologists. On behalf of St Albans Catholic School, I would like to welcome Jan to our school community and I look forward to working with her this year. Below is a short bio from Jan.

Faith and family give life meaning and joy for Mana Ake Kaiamahi Jan Nicholson. Spending family time with husband Rex, children and grandchildren enriches her life. She has recently come home to Christchurch after 9 years working in a primary school in Alice Springs, Australia. While in Alice Springs Jan provided social skills groups for children throughout the school who were struggling with social/emotional needs. Jan is passionate about helping children develop self esteem, to see themselves as loveable, capable and unique.

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**Instead of giving
up someTHING
this Lent, try
giving to
someONE**

During the 40 days of Lent ST VINCENT DE PAUL have a 40 BAGS

FOR 40 DAYS appeal. We are supporting this appeal by collecting items over the next 4 weeks.

We will collect items from Thursday to the following Wednesday.

12 – 18 March

Used Toys/Children's Books (in good condition. Please donate only 1 item per child or family)

19 – 25 March

Children's Winter Clothing (clean, in good condition Please donate only 1 item per child or family)

26 March – 3 April

Easter Treats (e.g. Easter eggs, chocolate bunnies etc)

Thank you for your generosity in sharing with those in need.

PTA News:

SAUSAGE SIZZLE:

Sausage sizzle is available this Friday. \$2.50 for sausage, bread and fruit. Gluten Free sausages are available. Please make sure your child's order is in by 9.00am.

A Big Thank You

Thank you so much to our school community for the amazing baking for our cake stall fundraiser after Mass on Sunday. It was all delivered so beautifully and was really tasty too. And thank you for your generous support of the cake stall. We raised \$600 which was one of our most successful cake stall fundraisers ever!

This money will go towards the furniture for the new classrooms which are nearing completion

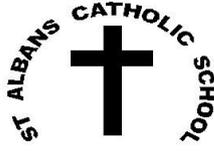
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ASB Children's Banking:

ASB children's banking will continue for the rest of this term but will be discontinued from the start of Term 2.

From the Public Health Nurse:

My name is Kirstin and I am the Public Health Nurse for your school. Public Health Nurses are Registered Nurses with knowledge and experience in child and family health. We work with families who would like support to manage their child's health and wellbeing.

Please contact me if you have any health concerns for your child.

P: 027 512 6357

E: Kirstin.lambie@cdhb.health.nz



More information: www.kidshealth.org.nz
www.health.govt.nz/your-health/healthy-living/food-activity-and-sleep/sleeping

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**CHRISTCHURCH
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Our Catholic College Open Days for 2020

- This is for parents who have a child heading off to college next year.
- Here is a list of our Catholic College Open Days that you might be interested in taking note of and attending.

 St. Thomas of Canterbury College	Open Day Wednesday, May 6 - 9:00am -11:30am Website: https://www.stc.school.nz/
 St. Bede's College	Open Day Tuesday, May 5 - 9:00am - 12:00pm Website: https://www.stbedes.school.nz/ Open Day Boarders: Friday, April 3 - 10:00 am - 12:00pm
 Catholic Cathedral College	Open Day Thursday, May 7 - 6:30pm - 8:00pm Website: http://www.cathcollege.school.nz/Home-1
 Marian College	Open Day May 14 - Time 4:00pm - 7:00pm May 28 - 1:00pm - 3:00pm Website: http://www.mariancollege.school.nz/
 Villa Maria College	Open Day May 12 - 9:00am - 3:00pm Website: http://www.villa.school.nz/

Note: You are encouraged to double check all dates closer to the time to ensure they have not been changed or postponed.