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A Word from the Principal

Kia Ora e te Whanau,

Rerenga Kupu o te Wiki (Phrase of the Week)

Ka mau te wehi! – Awesome / Fantastic

It was a privilege to have the Rite of Dedication for our School Chapel yesterday celebrated by Bishop Paul Martin and Fr. Kevin Wei. The students assembled outside the Chapel at 9:30am for the opening prayer, and the passing over of the building documents and Chapel keys to the Bishop. This was followed by Ken Joblin leading the Room 5 and some Room 4 students in a procession into the Chapel with the invited guests. A special thank you to the following students for their roles / responsibilities in the Rite of Dedication:

Alexander W-S, Jacob P and George K – Altar Servers

Daniel J – Responsorial Psalm

Lottie T – Chrism Oil

Cameron L – Lectionary
the Candle

Morgan D – Lighting

Following the Rite of Dedication for the School Chapel, Bishop Paul blessed our new classrooms and placed a new crucifix in Room 4 and Room 5. Thank you to Samuel M and Lola for the Reading and Prayers of the Faithful.

This was a special event for our school and wider community. Thank you for your support and generosity with your donations for the Chapel Chairs. The chairs have not yet been delivered due to delays.

Thank you to the families that have provided feedback regarding the teaching and learning in Mathematics. The responses have been informative and very beneficial in looking at how we can progress and review practices. If you have yet to share your perspective please do so as soon as possible.

Mathematics Parent Survey: I have been seeking feedback from our parent community regarding the teaching and learning in Mathematics. The survey seeks feedback about your interest in Maths, the teaching and learning and our next steps. The link is: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8PCFDNG>

CALENDAR

October

16 – Room 5 Mass 9am

21 – 7pm Year 5/6 Camp Parent Information Meeting

22 – 5:30pm Board Meeting

23 – School Athletics at Rawhiti

26 – Labour Day (No School)

28-30 – Year 5/6 Camp at Hanmer

November

2-6 – School Swimming at AquaGym

3 – North Zone Athletics

6 – 5pm Family Picnic

12 – TEACHER ONLY DAY

13 – Canterbury Anniversary

TERM 4 SWIMMING

All students will receive swimming lessons at Aqua Gym in Week 4 and Week 6 of Term 4. **The cost of swimming is \$86 per child.** If you are able to set up weekly/fortnightly payment, this would be appreciated.

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SCHOOL ATHLETICS

The school will hold its annual **Athletics Day at Rawhiti Domain on Friday 23 October**. The children will be transported to Rawhiti Domain by bus. Parents will be able to take their child/ren from Rawhiti Domain at the end of the day.

There is a timetable of events further on in this newsletter.

Please complete the following Google Form indicating if your child will come back to school on the bus or be taken home by a parent.

We need this form completed by all families to help in knowing the numbers for the bus.

The link is <https://forms.gle/afEJKVbozgaA28Pu8>

Ngā mihi nui,

Abraham Atherton (Principal – Tumuaki)



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.

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Westpac Account number:
03 1704 0021234 00*

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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.

Year 5/6 Camp

The cost of the camp is \$250. This includes accommodation, activities, meals and transport. If you are able to setup a weekly/fortnightly contribution to assist the cost of the camp, this would be greatly appreciated. Please contact me if there are any concerns regarding the cost of the camp



We are supporting contact tracing by having QR code posters at our entrances – so if you haven't already downloaded the NZ COVID Tracer app the Ministry of Health's [NZ-COVID Tracer app page](#) has information to help you do that.

This week, we would like to ask all families if they could please

contribute a...



Such as Hand Cream, nice Body Washes, Candles, Diffusers etc

for our School Gala

Thank you for your support.

Term Dates: 2020

Term 3:
Monday 20 July – Friday 25
September

Term 4:
Monday 12 October –
Tuesday 15 December

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We are currently exploring options to update our school toilet block during the January school holidays. At this time we are seeking expressions of interest from parents who may be able to offer some assistance. We would be keen to hear from any parents who are able to assist with this possible project – builders, electricians, plumbers, and any other parents who can lend a hand.

If you are interested, please contact the school office and we will pass your name on to Dax Morel.



A special welcome to Henry H, Beauden and Aiden who have started in Room 1.

Henry is the brother of Winston in Room 2, Beauden is the younger brother of Brooklyn in Room 3, and Aiden is the brother of Toby in Room 2.

We wish our new students a warm welcome.

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Celebrating Success
Well done to all students that received a certificate in Term 3 Week 10.

Hockey 1st - Thursday Weekly Sports

Football 3rd - Thursday Weekly Sports

Class Awards

Steps Awards

Principal Awards

Touch Teams 2020/2021

St Albans Catholic Blue	St Albans Catholic White
Louis Miller Billy Tanav Oliver S James Declan Sam M	Sophia B Ella Sam C Oliver C Flynn Cooper Lola Chin Fu Chin Lung

Touch Rugby games begin Wednesday 21st October. The draw will be put on School Loop when it is released

The cost of Touch Rugby for the season is **\$36** per student. This must be paid to the office before the **second game**

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2020 ATHLETICS SPORTS TIMETABLE

Friday 23rd October Rawhiti Domain

Approx times	Year 6	Year 5 Boys	Year 5 Girls	Year 4	Year 3 Boys	Year 3 Girls	Year 2	Year 0/1
10.15-10.30	1000m	High Jump	Elastics	Shot Put	Discus	Vortex Throw	Long Jump	Relays
10.30-10.45	Relays	1000m	High Jump	Elastics	Shot Put	Discus	Vortex Throw	Long Jump
10.45-11.00	Long Jump	Relays	1000m	High Jump	Elastics	Shot Put	Discus	Vortex Throw
11.00-11.15	Vortex Throw	Long Jump	Relays	800m	High Jump	Elastics	Shot Put	Discus
11.15 – 11.30 Stop for drink and snack								
11.30-11.45	Discus	Vortex Throw	Long Jump	Relays	800m	High Jump	Elastics	Shot Put
11.45-12.00	Shot Put	Discus	Vortex Throw	Long Jump	Relays	800m	High Jump	Elastics
12.00-12.15	Elastics	Shot Put	Discus	Vortex Throw	Long Jump	Relays	400m	High Jump
12.15-12.30	High Jump	Elastics	Shot Put	Discus	Vortex Throw	Long Jump	Relays	400m
12.30-1.05	Lunch							
1.05 – 1.45	60m and 80m sprints							
1.50-2.05	House relays							



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From the PTA:

SAUSAGE SIZZLE IS BACK!

From this

Friday (16th) we will be starting Sausage Sizzle again.

\$2.50 buys a sausage in bread and a piece of fruit. Gluten free option available

Orders to the office by 9am please.

Please feel free to pay for the whole term – 7 weeks (Amount \$17.50) and let Jenni know so your child's name is added to the list.

If you paid for the whole term last term this will be carried over.

Payment can be made to the PTA account 03 1704 0024566 00

Please put your child's name and sausages as the reference.

Thank you to Tamara and Emma for running the sausage sizzle for the rest of the term

FAMILY PICNIC EVENING

School Family Picnic night: Friday 6th November from 5pm

Come along and bring your picnic dinner/fish and chips for an evening of family fun.

Enjoy a relaxing evening on our school lawn with fun activities for the kids and enjoy a chance to catch up with other families or meet someone new.

We would love to see all our families and will hope for a fine evening!

Save the date and more details will follow closer to the time.

GALA 2021

As we begin planning this major event in our fundraising calendar we need as much help as possible please.

Next week the children will be bringing home some information regarding the gala and a form that we ask all of our school families to complete. Please take the time to read the information and complete and return the form.

The success of our gala relies on the help of our school community so any help is welcomed with open arms

Donation of items: Over term 4 we will be asking for a variety of items to be donated and left in the office to make up our raffle prizes so please take note of the items we need and drop them into the office.

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LUXURY PAMPER ITEMS:

Please bring along any items for donation by the end of this week (Friday) and leave them in the box in the office

Thank you to all our families for their ongoing support of our school community and we welcome any new members to the PTA

Eliza, Karina and all the PTA members.

JOLLY JARS

Remember to start collecting any old jars for making Jolly Jars in Term 1 2021.

From the Garden:

SPUD IN A BUCKET' FUNDRAISER

Yesterday Louis, Sam and Morgan planted four large pots to put in front of the new classrooms and chapel. The fragrant Chinese Star Jasmine and Viburnum are under-planted with school colours in pansy, lobelia and begonia. Many thanks to all those who took part in this fundraising event.

Garden Club is on again this term! 37 students from Rm 2-5 have volunteered and the plan is to fill our vegetable garden with crops ready for harvest before the end of term!

Mrs Ryan-Yates



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