



**8 October (Oketopa) 2025      TERM 4**

**Welcome back for Term 4**

On Monday I attended the funeral of *Sherry Hughes* who was Principal of St Pius X in the 2000s. Please keep Sherry and her whanau in your prayers.

Please note: **The staff will be on strike on Thursday 23 October and the school will be closed.**

We had planned to have a Teacher Only Day on Friday 31 October but have now cancelled this and school will be open that day.

There has been cases of measles in the Far North and Queenstown. Hopefully they stay away from Wellington. **Information on Measles :**

- Measles is very contagious and can make people of any age very sick.
- Watch for measles symptoms – fever, cough, runny nose, sore eyes and a blotchy rash.
- If anyone in your whānau has measles symptoms keep them home and contact a doctor or Health-line urgently on 0800 611 116.
- Vaccination is the best protection from measles. Check all whānau are immunised.
- Anyone closely exposed to measles who has not received two MMR vaccinations cannot attend their school | kura for at least eight days.



Fun in **Kiwi** class late last term. ...  
Tamariki were practicing their fine motor skills making Joseph's multi coloured coat.



## Catholic Archdiocese of Wellington Attendance Dues 2026

- The compulsory **Attendance Dues charges for 2026** have been confirmed and are as follows:
  - **Primary charge (Year 0 – 8) per child: \$595.00**
  - **Secondary charge (Year 9 – 13) per child: \$1,193.00**
- The Catholic Character donation of \$50.00 per family will also be included on the annual invoice sent in March 2026.
- If you would like to make regular payments to spread payment of the total charge over the calendar year the amounts **per child** made from the **15 January 2026** are as follows:

Weekly - attendance dues only		Weekly - attendance dues & donation	
Primary	\$11.90	Primary	\$12.90
Secondary	\$23.86	Secondary	\$24.86

Fortnightly - attendance dues only		Fortnightly - attendance dues & donation	
Primary	\$23.80	Primary	\$25.80
Secondary	\$47.72	Secondary	\$49.72

Monthly - attendance dues only		Monthly - attendance dues & donation	
Primary	\$49.59	Primary	\$53.75
Secondary	\$99.42	Secondary	\$103.59

- For assistance with payment options or to set up a regular deduction, please contact the Attendance Dues team.
- We can be contacted on **0800 462 725** or by email: [dues@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:dues@wn.catholic.org.nz)



# **Porirua Fire Brigade** **EMERGENCY SERVICES** **EXPO**




**Saturday 25 October 2025**  
**10am-2pm**  
 Te Rauparaha Arena  
 17 Parumoana Street  
 Bring the whole whānau!

- Food trucks • Fun activities • Giveaways • Fire safety advice
- Emergency vehicles & equipment • Volunteering information



Porirua City United Softball Club registrations for the 2025/2026 season are now open!

We welcome new and returning players of all ages. If you're keen to play this season, simply click on the link below to register.

- Sibling discounts are available for children playing in Under 9's to Under 15's.
- All you need to start is a softball glove.
- The season begins on 1st November 2025.

📧 If you have any questions, please email us at: [porirucityunitedsoftball@gmail.com](mailto:porirucityunitedsoftball@gmail.com)

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