



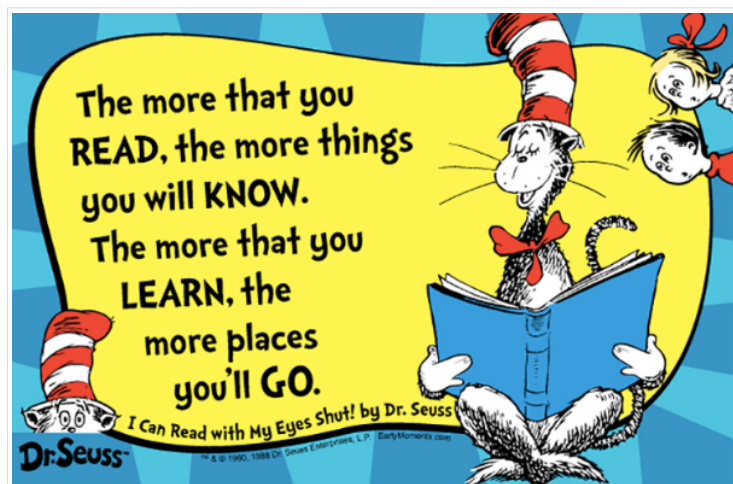
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St Anthony's Newsletter Week 8 Term 3, 2025

Inspiration



Here are our winners from the parade as well:



Principal - Tumuaki

Kia Ora

We were blessed with a beautiful day on Tuesday for our Book Character Parade. Our tamariki (and their whānau!) went to so much effort with their costumes. Everyone looked amazing all dressed up and some even stayed in character for the day which was fun as well. A special shout out to our Student Council who judged our parade and also organised an excellent afternoon filled with book quizzes, riddles and challenges. Tamariki completed these challenges and were then given a code to crack! We were very impressed with the leadership of our Student Council.

Alex and Sam won Best Lookalike
 Sophie, Viraneath, Pippa and Sakora won Best Group
 Patrick won Most Creative
 Rebecca won Best Year 5-8
 Olivier won Best Year 1-4

In class tamariki have been researching different New Zealand Authors. They will be presenting what they have found out to each other early next week.

On Monday we have our Student Led Conferences, thank you to everyone who has already signed up on Hero. All classes

have been busy working on their curiosity projects to also showcase during this time, they are looking very impressive. Research shows that one of the most effective ways for ākonga to improve their achievement is to develop their ability to talk about their learning and progress, so thank you for taking the time to come along and see what your child has been learning.

Ngā mihi nui

Francesca von Lanthen

Upcoming Dates

- Social Justice Week - Monday 8-12 September
- Student-Led Conferences - Monday 8 September
- Eastern Zones Swimming - Wednesday 10 September
- Te Moana Assembly - Friday 12 September
- Te wiki o te reo Māori - Monday 15-19 September
- Wellington Free Ambulance Visit - Monday 15 September
- Eastern Zones Floorball - Wednesday 17 September
- Inter Regional Cross Country - Thursday 18 September
- Last Day of School - Friday 19 September

Fatih News



Next week is Social Justice Week. The theme is: Imagine Peace For All / Pohewatia te Rangimārie mō te Katoa. For 2025, the unique focus is: Let's build peace together! / Puritia te rangimārie!

This year's theme invites students to take practical steps toward building peace through prayer, respect, solidarity, change, and service.

Next week tamariki will be completing activities in class provided by Caritas based on these teachings.

CATHOLIC?:

You might have a friend or family member who is seeking God and who would like to know more about the Catholic faith. You could tell them that Holy Trinity Parish is having an Enquiry Evening for those wanting to find out more, on Thursday 11 September, 7 - 8pm, at St Patrick's Church. For more information Margaret 021 344 356 or margaret.bearsley@gmail.com

School Board News

Kia ora e te whānau,

We're heading into the final weeks of Term 3, those spring days are finally here, and we have lots to celebrate and look forward to. Here are some highlights and updates from the Board.

Book character day



What a fantastic day! Our annual Book Character Day was a colourful celebration of creativity and reading. Ngā mihi nui to our Student Council for organising the event and to all the students, staff and whānau who helped bring the characters to life with such wonderful costumes. Thank you to the parents who supported this event. It was lovely to see so many smiles and shared stories throughout the day.

St Anthony's scholarships – please share widely

We're excited to share two new scholarships for prospective students who are considering joining our St Anthony's community. The scholarships, one for a junior student (Years 1 to 4) and one for a senior student (Years 5 to 8), are available to new enrolments to St Anthony's.

Each scholarship is for one year only and is valued at \$1000, which will be used to support school fees, uniform, and related costs.

You can find details and the application form by clicking this [link](#). This is a wonderful chance to support learners who would thrive in our values-based environment.

While the school will be advertising this opportunity in social media and through the parish, we also warmly invite our school community to share this opportunity with whānau, friends, and networks. Whether through word of mouth, social media, or community groups, your help in spreading the word could make a real difference for a future St Anthony's student.

New school website coming soon



Our new school website is almost ready to launch! The updated site will feature a fresh design, easier navigation, and improved access to key information for families and prospective students.

Thank you to Mrs Johnson and her daughter Hannah for all their hard work earlier this term to provide updated content and images. We're looking forward to sharing it with you soon—it will be a great tool for staying connected and informed.

Board changes

We would like to say ngā mihi nui to Mark Mulhern for his nine years of dedicated service on the School Board. Mark's contributions have helped shape the direction of our kura and we are deeply grateful. His work on our property portfolio, his steady leadership during his years as the chairperson of the board, and his thoughtful input have made an enduring impact. Our aroha and best wishes to you, Emma and the whānau for the next adventure.

We warmly welcome Tim Henderson as our new proprietor representative. Tim has a long association with St Anthony's; he and his brothers all attended the school during the 1990s. Tim's daughter, Avery, is now a student in He Atawhai class, continuing the family connection.

We also thank Janine Smith and Miriama Williams, who are returning as parent representatives and Silke Koepl as a new parent representative on the board. Your continued support and leadership are appreciated. We look forward to working together to support our school's vision and goals.

Staff acknowledgements

A big thank you to Miss Francesca von Lanthen, who stepped into the role of Acting Principal while Mrs Johnson was on sabbatical leave. We appreciate your leadership and care during this time, and the calm, consistent presence you brought to our school.



We also send our aroha and appreciation to Miss Eibhlin McAteer, who has been covering for Miss von Lanthen in Te Moana class.

Thank you for your mahi and support of our learners. Your adaptability and commitment have been greatly valued. We wish you all the best for your next adventure.

Working bee notice

Our next Working Bee will be held on the last weekend of the school holidays, 4–5 October. It's a great chance to come together as a community and help prepare the school grounds for Term 4. Whether you can lend a hand for an hour or more, your support makes a real difference. Watch this space for more details.

Ka tangi te pīpīwharau, ko ngā karere a Mahuru. The shining cuckoo cries, heralding the arrival of spring.

This whakataukī refers to the call of the pīpīwharau (shining cuckoo), which signals the beginning of Mahuru (September) and the arrival of spring. It reminds us that this season brings new life, fresh energy, and opportunities to grow, both in our kura and in our wider community.

Happy holidays and we look forward to seeing you at the working bee before Term 4 starts.

Community Notices

MIRAMAR SOFTBALL INVITES YOU TO

GIVE SOFTBALL A GO AGES 7-13

Sunday
14 September

Start At
10am-Noon

The Polo Grounds
Park Road, Miramar

SEE YOU THERE! <https://www.sporty.co.nz/miramarssoftball>



After School Hockey Club....

Kia ora koutou,

Below is some information on WHA's upcoming Junior Programme "After School Hockey Club". The programme is for students in Years 1–6. I

We're excited to welcome whānau back for **After School Hockey Club** in Term 4. If your child has been part of our programmes or competitions before, this is a fun and supportive way to keep them active and growing their hockey skills.

Hubs, Days, Dates & Times

*National Hockey Stadium (Newtown) – Mondays, 13 Oct–24 Nov**

Years 1–3: 3:30–4:15 PM

Years 4–6: 4:15–5:00 PM

*No session Monday 27 Oct (Labour Weekend).

Upper Hutt – Maidstone Park – Wednesdays, 15 Oct–19 Nov

Years 1–3: 4:00–4:45 PM

Years 4–6: 4:45–5:30 PM

Porirua – Elsdon – Wednesdays, 15 Oct–19 Nov

Years 1–3: 3:30–4:15 PM

Years 4–6: 4:15–5:00 PM

Lower Hutt – Fraser Park – Thursdays, 16 Oct–20 Nov

Years 1–3: 3:30–4:15 PM

Years 4–6: 4:15–5:00 PM

Kelburn/Karori – Thursdays, 16 Oct–20 Nov

Years 1–3: 3:30–4:15 PM

Years 4–6: 4:15–5:00 PM

Two Age Groups, Tailored Learning

Years 1–3 (Beginners): We focus on the foundations—grip, ball control, moving with the ball, and building confidence—through fun, engaging activities.

Years 4–6 (Development): These sessions build on the basics with simple game-based practices and fun drills that grow confidence, teamwork, and decision-making, while keeping the focus on core skills.

*the 4-6 age group is subject to numbers (if needed, groups will run in a combined session)

The programme runs for six weeks over Term 4 and offers the perfect balance of learning, fun, and friendship. Whether your child is just starting out or wanting to keep developing their hockey skills, this is a great way to stay active and prepare for the Junior Competition in Term 2.

Register on PlayHQ: <https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/9dfb31>

Questions? Email me at kelly@wellingtonhockey.org.nz

We look forward to seeing your tamariki out on the turf this Term 4!

Ngā mihi nui,

Location:	Dates:	Yrs 1-3:	Yrs 4-6:
Upper Hutt	15 Oct - 19 Nov	4 PM - 4:45 PM	4:45 PM - 5:30 PM
Lower Hutt	16 Oct - 20 Nov	3:30 PM - 4:15 PM	4:15 PM - 5:00 PM
Porirua	15 Oct - 19 Nov	3:30 PM - 4:15 PM	4:15 PM - 5:00 PM
NHS	13 Oct - 24 Nov*	3:30 PM - 4:15 PM	4:15 PM - 5:00 PM
Kelburn/Karori	16 Oct - 20 Nov	3:30 PM - 4:15 PM	4:15 PM - 5:00 PM

*there will be no session on Monday the 27th as it is Labour Weekend

Any Questions? Just email Kelly at kelly@wellingtonhockey.org.nz

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Volleyball Program - Term 4 - Saturdays

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