



In Faith, Hope and Love
Together

HATO OPANI KATORIKA KURA

"Together we excel, we live our faith and we celebrate learning and life."

November 11

A Word from the Principal

Kia Ora e te Whanau,

Just a reminder that staff will be having a Teacher's Only Day on Thursday 12 November.

In the last newsletter I provided details regarding payments of the voluntary contribution, swimming and camp. As a school, we try to provide a variety of opportunities and resources for the children. 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. When exploring new opportunities, such as Weekly Winter Sports, the Board and I have worked to access grants to assist with the cost of transport. If we were to receive the outstanding voluntary contributions, swimming and camp payments, the school would be receiving approximately \$16,000.

Next week the students will begin their second week of swimming lessons at Aqua Gym. The timetable for swimming is:

- Students in Room 5, 2 and some of Room 3 will have their lesson at 10:00 to 10:30am.
- Students in Room 4, 1 and the remaining Room 3 will have their lesson at 10:30-11:00am.

I am currently exploring class placements for 2021. This is a delicate situation for our school as in the past we were able to have small classes, however we are currently at the maximum school roll 110 students for the first time in many years and we have some large cohorts of students throughout the school. The teachers and I look at class placements in depth and we look at what is best for the children as learners.

Last week I made an error with our team that competed at North Zone Athletics, and therefore I would like to congratulate Oliver C for representing the school.

Ngā mihi nui,

Abraham Atherton (Principal – Tumuaki)

St Albans Catholic School

49 Rutland Street, CHRISTCHURCH 8014

Phone: 03 3557538

Cell: 021 2118549

Email: office@stalbanscatholic.school.nz Website: www.stalbanscatholic.school.nz

Newsletter No. 20

Rerenga Kupu o te Wiki (Phrase of the Week)

Ka wani kē – Awesome / Fabulous!

CALENDAR

November

12 – TEACHER ONLY DAY

13 – Canterbury Anniversary

16 – 20 - School Swimming at AquaGym.

19 – Board Meeting

21 – North Parish Mass

22 – North Parish Mass

23 – Jubilate at St Mary's Pro Cathedral

December

2 – Canterbury Primary School Athletics

10 – End of School Mass

15 – Last day of Term



In Faith, Hope and Love
Together

HATO OPANI KATORIKA KURA

"Together we excel, we live our faith and we celebrate learning and life."

November 11

Newsletter No. 30

School Accounts:

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

Swimming Lessons are \$86 per child.

Year 5 and 6 School Camp is \$250.

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



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.

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.

Term Dates: 2020

Term 4:

Monday 12 October –
Tuesday 15 December



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.

St Albans Catholic School
49 Rutland Street, CHRISTCHURCH 8014

Phone: 03 3557538

Cell: 021 2118549

Email: office@stalbanscatholic.school.nz Website: www.stalbanscatholic.school.nz



In Faith, Hope and Love
Together

HATO OPANI KATORIKA KURA

"Together we excel, we live our faith and we celebrate learning and life."

November 11

Newsletter No. 30

Kiwi Competitions

This year 10,700 students from over 300 New Zealand schools participated in the various Kiwi competitions. The competitions have been designed by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand primary, intermediate and secondary school students and are based on the New Zealand curriculum.

Congratulations to the following students for their results in the Kiwi Competition that took place in Term 3.

Mathematics	English	Science	Spelling Bee
Excellence Alexander (Y6)	Excellence Alexander (Y6)	Excellence Ari (Y5)	Excellence
Merit	Merit Rylee (Y6)	Merit Louis (Y5) Alexander (Y6)	Merit
Achieved Daniel (Y6) George K (Y6) Finn (Y6) Jude (Y5) Thanmaya (Y5) Chin Fu (Y5)	Achieved Oliver C (Y5) George K (Y6) Louis (Y5) Naledi (Y5)	Achieved Oliver C (Y5) George K (Y6) Naledi (Y6)	Achieved George K (Y6) Cameron (Y5) Alexander (Y6) Thanmaya (Y5)
Participated Oliver C (Y5) Samuel M (Y5) Tanav (Y5) Rylee (Y6) Naledi (Y6)	Participated Samuel M (Y5) Tanav (Y5) Thanmaya (Y5) Chin Fu (Y5)	Participated Samuel M (Y5) Chin Fu (Y5) Tanav (Y5)	Participated Daniel (Y6) Jacob (Y6) Jude (5) George T (Y5) Chin Fu (Y5)

Distinction (Percentile ≥ 99)

Excellence (Percentile $\geq 90 < 99$)

Merit (Percentile $\geq 75 < 90$)

Achieved (Percentile $\geq 50 < 75$)

Participated (Percentile < 50)

St Albans Catholic School

49 Rutland Street, CHRISTCHURCH 8014

Phone: 03 3557538

Cell: 021 2118549

Email: office@stalbanscatholic.school.nz Website: www.stalbanscatholic.school.nz



In Faith, Hope and Love
Together
HATO OPANI KATORIKA KURA

*"Together we excel, we live our faith and we
celebrate learning and life."*

November 11

Newsletter No. 30

TOUCH RUGBY

The cost of this is \$36 for each player.

As payment for touch is now overdue we would appreciate payment as soon as possible.

Thank you.

From the PTA:

REMINDER GALA HELP FORMS: Can these please be returned to the office by the end of next week, **FRIDAY 20TH NOVEMBER.**

Thank you for your generous donations of luxury pamper items and fizzy drink. Any more donations would be appreciated. Please leave these in the boxes in the office

If any families find it easier to donate all the items for this year in one go the next item we will be asking for is children's raffle items i.e pens, colouring pencils, books, stationery, small gift items etc.

If anybody would like to join the PTA we would love to welcome new members. Please contact Eliza, Karina or your class PTA member if you would like to join us.

Next meeting Tuesday 1st December 7pm

Thank you for your ongoing support

Eliza, Karina and the PTA

St Albans Catholic School

49 Rutland Street, CHRISTCHURCH 8014

Phone: 03 3557538

Cell: 021 2118549

Email: office@stalbanscatholic.school.nz Website: www.stalbanscatholic.school.nz