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A Word from the Principal

Kia Ora e te Whanau,

Last week our Year 5 and 6 students attended the fourth week of weekly winter sports. The hockey and football teams recorded wins, with the rugby team having a narrow loss. It has been great to see the students develop their teamwork and fair play throughout the season. We wish them the very best in this the final week of winter sports.

Last week I shared with our school community information regarding my Masters study. As I am required to do research and analysis, it is important that I have consent from our families to use the engagement and learning area surveys. It would be appreciated if you can complete the consent form in order for me to use the information I collect. The link can be found further in the newsletter or on the Skool Loop notices. I will be sending home a survey regarding Mathematics next week.

I would like to remind our school community that if your child/ren are presenting signs of being unwell (runny nose, coughing, sneezing etc), please keep them at home. Please remember that if your child is not attending school to contact the office either by phone or email..

School Accounts:

The School Donations are \$140 per child, for the year 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*

If you are unsure if you have paid the voluntary contribution for 2020, please ask Jenni in the Office.

Please download the Skool Loop App and Like and Follow the School Facebook Page.



Kind regards,

Abraham Atherton (Principal – Tumuaki)

Year 5/6 Camp

A notice will be going home shortly regarding the Year 5/6 school camp in Term 4. 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.

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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.



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.

Term Dates: 2020

Term 3:
Monday 20 July – Friday 25
September

Term 4:
Monday 12 October –
Tuesday 15 December

Chapel Chairs DONATION

4 remaining

We have had a number of families past and present that have offered to sponsor a chair for the Chapel. If you have indicated you would like to sponsor a chair this has been recorded. Payment by the end of August would be ideal.

Thank you for your support!!



Would you like to contribute to our School Chapel?

We are seeking sponsors to assist in the payment of the chairs for our Chapel.

A chair costs \$200 and we will have a plaque/name plate on each chair to acknowledge those who are able to contribute.

There are 50 Chairs to purchase.



Plaque / Name Plate



If you wish to offer your support or learn more, please contact Abraham Atherton
aa@stalbanscatholic.school.nz

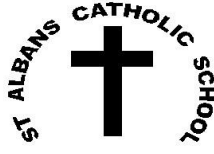
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Celebrating our New Parish

On the weekend of Saturday 5th September and Sunday 6th September we will gather as the Catholic Parish of Christchurch North at St Bede's College gymnasium for Mass.

**Saturday, 5pm and Sunday,
10.30am**

This will be a great chance to gather and farewell our old parishes and celebrate the beginning of the new parish. Mark this weekend in your diaries, further details will follow.

St Albans Catholic School will have a role at the Mass with some of our students being in a combined schools choir.

WEEKLY WINTER SPORTS: YEAR 5 and 6

Dear Year 5 and 6 Parents,

There will be Weekly Sports tomorrow, Thursday 27th August.

Schools are to adhere with the following conditions to ensure the Health and Safety of all participants:

- There are no spectators allowed.
- All equipment is sanitised, and the children will have to sanitise their hands prior to the game and when the game finishes.
- There is contact tracing in place – Schools will make note of who is playing on the chosen days.
- Students who are unwell should not be present at the games, as they would not be at school.

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RESEARCH PROJECT AND SCHOOL CURRICULUM

Dear Parents,

I am currently enrolled in the Masters of Contemporary Education degree at the Mind Lab and I seek your help in meeting the requirements of the project component of my Masters Research Project.

Research Project Title: St Albans Catholic School Curriculum

Synopsis of project: The school curriculum is an important element of any school. This provides direction and guidance to staff and the Board of Trustees. The Education Review Office expressed that the school curriculum is our core business and it should be reviewed and redeveloped to meet our current learners. This project will develop and implement a Curriculum that is underpinned by the 21st Century Learning Skills and Contemporary Pedagogies, and co-constructed by our staff, students, and school community.

What it will mean for you:

Year 4-6 Students: I would like to survey students about their engagement and motivation in the various learning areas - What helps them learn? What resources and tools assisted them in the learning area? The information will be collated without any personal information, to help inform our school curriculum and for teachers to review practices.

Parents: I would like to survey and consult with our parent community to gather your perspectives about the teaching and learning across the various learning areas. The information will be collated without any personal information, to help co-construct our school curriculum. The teachers would like the curriculum to be reflective of our school community, and therefore seeking your perspective and ideas is important.

Your name and any information that may identify you will be kept completely confidential.

If you are happy to help co-construct the St Albans Catholic School Curriculum through sharing your perspective - students, parents, and teachers - please complete the Google Consent Form. As this is a Masters Research Project, we must have permission before using people's survey responses etc. There is also an Information Sheet linked to the form.

CONSENT FORM: <https://forms.gle/4BYT5k39AQUBqBSs6>

Your assistance is much appreciated.

Kind regards,

Abraham Atherton
Principal - Tumuaki

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SPORTS UNIFORMS

We intend sending in another order for sports tops and shorts. The cost of the shirts is **\$40** & payment is required with your order. There are two different shirt sizes available to try at the office.

Sports shorts can also be purchased and ordered for **\$30**. These are the same colours as the shirts with some maroon.

The prices for the tops and shorts are similar to other school's sports uniform. If you require assistance with payment please make contact with the Principal.

If you wish to order, please see Jenni in the Office. Please note Jenni's office hours are 8am – 12noon. The last day for order will be Friday 18 September.

FROM THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

My name is Kirstin and I am the allocated Public Health Nurse for your school. I work within a team of Public Health Nurses. We are all Registered Nurses with knowledge and experience in child and family health. We work with children and families where health and wellbeing concerns impact on their home and school lives.

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

My details are: Phone: 027 512 6357, email : Kirstin.lambie@cdhb.health.nz

ST ALBANS TENNIS CLUB OPEN DAY 12TH SEPT 12PM

The club is taking registrations for junior coaching on 12th Sept. Meet our new coach Nic Jenkins, who will be happy to discuss all coaching options. With great anticipation, SATC is affiliating with Canterbury Tennis this year and will be offering interclub competition. Trials for interclub will be on 29th August 12pm for those interested in registering and forming a team.

Note: COVID-19 restrictions and hygiene measures will be in place. SATC has the NZ Covid tracer app

Refer to our website www.stalbanstennis.co.nz or facebook page for further information.

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