



From the Principal's Desk....

Next Friday 31st August is our Teacher Only Day at St Patrick's School, school will be closed on this day. We understand that our Teacher Only Day is unfortunate timing with the recent Teachers Strikes and we acknowledge that this will be an inconvenience for some.



Our Teacher Only Day has been organised with Interlead Consultants since late 2017. Interlead Consultants provide professional programmes that offer 'leading edge' development – based on 'world best' practices tailored specifically for New Zealand teachers in New Zealand schools.

Kelly Sports, St Patrick's Sports Day - Friday 31st August

We have had considerable interest from parents about the Kelly Sports Programme being offered next week. Braedon Gurden from Kelly Sports has kindly offered to run a half or full day, fully supervised sports programme here at St Patrick's during our Teacher Only Day on Friday 31st August.



The programme includes Football Skills, Basketball, Dodgeball and lots of other fun games and activities. They will also have some awesome craft activities as well.

The Programme is designed for School Years 0 - 8, ages 5 to 12.

What Do You Need to Bring:

Sports shoes and appropriate sports clothing, jacket or sweatshirt, food as below

Food:

Please bring plenty of packed food and drink for morning tea/lunch/afternoon tea. Lunch will be from approximately 12.30pm to 1.00pm on the day.

Programme Activities:

Programme activities are adapted to suit children of all ages and children will be grouped by age, depending on numbers. Programme activities may vary without notice dependent on weather conditions and programme numbers.

The programme is being offered significantly cheaper than their standard holiday programme:

- \$20.00 per child for a full day
- \$10.00 per child for a half day

To register for this day please visit <https://kellysports.co.nz/christchurch-north-central> and click on the St Patrick's Sports Day Year 0 - 8. For further information you can contact Braedon Gurden on 027 273 7773 or email braedon@kellysports.co.nz

2018 Holy Trinity Confirmation Programme - Wednesday 24th October

Planning is underway for the 2018 Holy Trinity Parish Confirmation Programme. All Year 8 students and older, including adults who have not already been confirmed are invited to attend the programme. Enrolment forms have been sent home and are available from the office.



Confirmation will be held on Wednesday 24th October in the St Matthew's Church at 7:00pm



Mt Hutt Ski Trip

We had such a wonderful day skiing at Mt Hutt yesterday. The sun was shining, the snow conditions were perfect and we had such an enthusiastic group of skiers and snowboarders. A special thank you to Miss McDonnell for all of her great organisation, and our wonderful parents and teachers who provided so much help and assistance.



Te Hononga Cluster Cultural Festival

Congratulations to all our amazing Year 1 - 4 students who performed last Thursday at our Te Hononga Cluster Cultural Festival at the Aurora Centre. It was a fantastic performance. We would like to thank Matua Sonny and Whaea Tui (our Kapa Haka Tutors) for their support and helping to prepare both our Senior and Junior Kapa Haka groups for their respective festivals.



Important Dates: Term 3, 2018

24th Aug	Winter Sports (Last Day)
26th Aug	1st Holy Communion
31st Aug	Teacher Only Day
5th Sep	Year 5 - 8 Cultural Festival
7th Sep	Parenting Tips 3 Coffee Morning
7th Sep	Assembly Room 7
10th Sep	Social Justice Week
13th Sep	School Photos
16th Sep	Parish School Mass
17th Sep	Three Way Interviews
19th Sep	Three Way Interviews
19th Sep	9:15am Rotary Speech Semi-Finals
21st Sep	Assembly Room 6
26th Sep	HPV Vaccinations
28th Sep	Mercy Day
28th Sep	Lat Day of Term 3

Three-Way Interviews

Three-Way Interviews will take place again at the end of Term 3. They will run for 15 minutes to allow for a more indepth conversation to take place. The dates for the Interviews are below.

Monday 17th September, 3:30pm - 6:30pm
 Wednesday 19th September, 1:30pm - 6:30pm

The information for booking a Three-Way Interview will be emailed out to everyone next week.

Please make the most of this opportunity to meet with your child's teacher.

