



ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL

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Our Vision Love  Aroha, Learn  Ako, Serve  Mahi

Our Mission Statement

St Paul's School Massey provides quality education for children in a Catholic



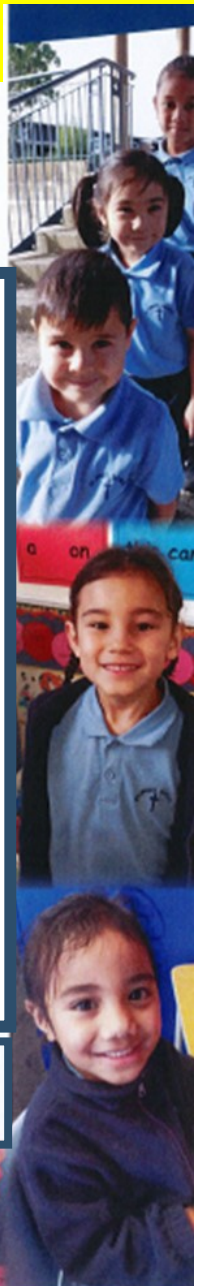
Today, Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent.

Lent is a time of preparation for the feast of Jesus' Resurrection which is the greatest feast in the Church's calendar. This means we need to pray, give alms and fast.

One of our School Values is Trust in God. God listens to our prayers. Praying every day is being a follower of Jesus Christ. We need to pray for ourselves and for others.

Giving alms could mean that we give up something for Lent like watching TV in the morning, shortening time on devices, or going without something that we really like. Instead of spending money on things we like we give the money to the needy. Put the money in the Caritas box in the class or at the office.

*I can do all things in Christ because he gives me strength.
Paul's Letter to Phillipines 4:13*



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Hello, Kia Ora, Tālofa lava, Mālō ē lelei, Annyong (Korean), Namaste, Privet, Ni Hao, Hola (Spanish), Kamusta (Filipino), Bula vinaka (Fijian), Muraho (Rwandan), Apa kabar (Indonesian), Hallo (Dutch), Fakaalofa lahi atu (Niuean), Kia Orana (Cook Island), Minggalaba (Myanmar), Akwaaba (Ghanian)

Term One

1 Feb	School started Reading Nights begin
16 Feb	Year 6 Return from Camp at MERC, Long Bay—approximately 2.00-2.30pm
21 Feb	Chinese New Year celebration
22 Feb	Meet the Teacher School closed at 12.45pm
23 Feb	Celebration of the School's Birthday. Whole School Trip to St Patrick's Cathedral.
25 Feb	25 Reading Nights
26 Feb	Basketball Season begins
5 Mar	Y3 & 4 Trip to Bethells Beach
8 Mar	H2Go Day
21 Mar	50 Reading Nights
29 Mar	Good Friday
31 Mar	Easter Sunday
1 April	Easter Monday
2 April	Easter Tuesday
12 April	Last day of Term One
29 April	First Day of Term Two
17 Dec	Last day of school

Week 03

Kia ora everyone,

I love seeing the faces of our students this term – some familiar, some new. Without doubt, this stirs up a mix of emotions – pride, joy and hope. Pride for the students who have grown, graduated and moved on to new schools. Joy for the new families and the eager new entrants who join our school community. Hope for the future and the opportunities where we can make a difference.

Mary Zellman continued...

A special welcome to our new teacher: Mrs Lucia Park and of course welcome to all the new families who have joined our community.

Thursday 22 February: Meet the Teacher

This is an important opportunity for parents to meet their child's teacher. Each meeting will take 10 minutes. Teachers want to know more about your child so please take advantage of this opportunity.

On this day, school will finish early at 12.45pm. **All children need to be picked up at 12.45pm. The students who usually attend After School Care may go straight to the hall, the rest of the children must be picked up.**

Bookings for the Meet the Teacher will be done using the school app. Information about this was sent out

Prior to the Meeting a questionnaire will be sent home. Complete the questionnaire and bring it with you to the meeting with your child's teacher. Bring your child as well.

Caregiver App @school mobile app

You can download the app from Playstore or Apple-store and use the user ID given through the etap caregiver set up email.

Please use the @school mobile app to report if your child is absent from school.

This is the best way for your child's teacher to receive correct information to mark the school roll, which is a legal requirement of schools.

If you need help setting up the Caregiver App on your device, please see Mrs Leony or email her:

leonyl@stpaulsprimary.school.nz

Mary Zellman cont...

Car park and After School pickups

School finishes at 2.45pm. Please pick up your child as soon as possible. Children will be supervised until **3.10pm** at the latest. If children are not picked up in time then they will be put into After School Care and you will have to pay \$12. If you are running late be courteous and phone the school office, 09 832 7200.

Thank you to all the parents who are reversing into car parks, using the pedestrian crossings, driving slowly (5kph) and being patient and giving way. It is great to see people following car park safety rules and thinking of others.

Celebrating Chinese New Year

Our amazing Cultural Leaders (Keilani and Ivy) asked if the school could celebrate Chinese New Year. We thought, what a great idea. Chinese New Year was celebrated on 10 February and the celebration goes on for 15 days concluding on 24 February. The school will be celebrating it on Wednesday 21 February. A special notice is being sent home today. If you are Chinese then of course come to school wearing your national costume or national colours on Wednesday.

Great idea, Keilani and Ivy.

Being prepared for learning is really important.

Children need:

- Plenty of sleep, between 10 to 12 hours per night. The younger they are the earlier they need to be in bed. That way you have some time for yourselves.
- Healthy lunches and lots of water
- Be early for school so that your children can play with their friends before school.

By the way, in case you had not noticed, the traffic is terrible most days. Try to be extra organised in the morning and leave home earlier so that your family is not panicking about being late. If you are late to school then the children need to be signed in at the school office.

Ngā mihi nui
Mary Zellman
Principal

Sacramental Programme Reconciliation Confirmation First Holy Communion

To enrol for the sacramental programme the candidates must be 9 years and above by the Rite of Confirmation on 16 June 2024.

All registrations must be in by 26 February.

The child must be baptised and parents must provide a copy of your child's Baptism certificate.

Parents, if you want your child to receive these very important sacraments there are forms in the school office. I have given some forms out to Year 5 and 6 students who expressed an interest in the programme. Any inquiries email:

pastoral.massey@gmail.com attention Irae Pule or phone the Parish office 09 8337420.

Friday 23 February St Paul's School Birthday The whole school will be travelling by bus to St Patrick's Cathedral on Wyndham Street.

**Parents, if you want to attend, you will
need to travel by car. Mass will begin at
10.00am**

SCHOOL DUES

Please pay your Term 1 Dues by the end of this term.

**Stationery is to be paid by the end of
February.**

**Camp and Sports fees are to be paid as soon as
possible.**

**Please contact Mrs Leony if you have any
questions.**

Email: leonyl@stpaulsprimary.school.nz

Phone: 832 7200 (9am-3pm)

Thank you.

Uniform Shop

Open: Friday only

8.00-9.00am

Cash/Eftpos

Please note that the uniform shop price reflects the latest costs from our supplier, embroidery and shipping.

SCHOOL HATS

Please also purchase a hat for \$15.00.

Hats are now to be worn outside.

NO HAT NO PLAY

Year 5 and 6 students (\$16)
must wear the school PE shirt
For Physical Education lessons

Name all:

School hats

Drink bottles

School jackets

There are already 5
unnamed hats in the office.

Jewellery: Only small, plain
studs.

Bring spare clothes
(does not have to be the
uniform).

Congratulations to:

Etienne Tagaloa, a past student and parishioner of St Paul's Parish, has decided to join the Seminary to become a priest. What extraordinary dedication to God.

Martell Herrera, who came 1st in New Zealand in Year 11 Cambridge Mathematics. A clever mathematician.

Mary Zellman - Principal