



POMPALLIER CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Te Kāreti Katorika o Pomapārie

“Diligere Verum” “Love the Truth” “Arohatia te Whakapono”

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Tēnā Koutou Katoa, Greetings to you,

If someone asked you, “Where is the Church?”, how would you helpfully answer their question?

You might presume that they are asking about a Catholic Church and provide directions to Saint Francis Xavier Catholic Church. Alternatively you might refer them to Google Maps because the last time you went near the Church was when you wanted a preference certificate and now you can't recall how to get there. Or you might send them to the nearest Church in the neighbourhood. These could be all helpful answers.

If you had asked me where the Church is on Wednesday of this week, I would have directed you to our College Hall. The Church could be found there. Inside the Hall were many of our students and another 200 students from 14 Auckland Catholic secondary schools. The respective schools were presenting their waiata for the Pompallier Shield. Many of the schools had a unique waiata that had been written specifically for that school. The stories and waiata were shared with the students and staff in a way that brought forth the most amazing Holy Spirit filled environment that I have ever experienced at our College. This was the Church that was referenced at the Second Vatican Council in the document *Lumen Gentium* way back in 1964.

In *Lumen Gentium*, an early image of the Church was strengthened in Catholic theology. From the time of Jesus we had descriptions of the Church as a sheepfold with Jesus being the entrance gate. We had images of buildings and fields being used as metaphors for the early Christian communities. Then came the emergence of the Church being described as the Body of Christ and the Bride of Christ. In 1964, *Lumen Gentium* drew upon the writings of Saints Paul and Peter and emphasised that the followers of Christ are, “a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people” (1 Peter 2: 9-10). Thus the Fathers of the Second Vatican Council elected to refer to the Church as “The people of God”, ahead of other images.

In using the term, People of God, the Council wanted to convey that salvation is not something that is experienced as the sum of many individuals having a relationship with Christ, but as a community of people acknowledging Christ and dedicating themselves in service. The whole is more than the sum of its parts. Nothing could be more evident of that than this Wednesday.

When liturgy is speaking to the lives of those who are gathered, the Holy Spirit can be experienced in an almost tangible way. The Pompallier Shield gave us an opportunity to present all that is wonderful about our College community and to invite others into this experience. The day was crafted by Mr Davison, orchestrated by Mrs Adams, nourished by Mrs Finchett and supported by every staff member doing their particular task. We were honoured and entertained by the presence of a former student, Pompallier Shield trophy winner, teacher, and now current mayor of the Far North District Council, Mr Moko Tepania. We also had many students on site who needed to be taught by a dedicated team and other students who were supporting the visitors, cooking wonderful food and helping staff with the administration of the day.

The special wairua was present throughout the whole day and it came to a collective gathering at our closing ceremony in the College Hall. We had hundreds of students celebrating the presence of God in our midst with song, prayer, affirmation and smiles. The next time someone asks the question, “Where is the Church?”, look for a group of young people from our Catholic schools celebrating their encounter with the living God. That is the Church.

Richard Stanton
PRINCIPAL

VISION STATEMENT

Pompallier Catholic College is a Catholic community with a Marist charism that challenges all students to excel in their endeavours. We promote Christian values, excellence in learning and quality relationships to enable students to be outstanding citizens. Our College shall be a place where all “...encounter the living God who in Jesus Christ reveals his transforming love and truth”.



UPCOMING EVENTS - Term 2

NOTE: All events are subject to confirmation.

MAY

Mon 8	Kids Lit Quiz	Kerikeri	8.00am - 2.30pm
Mon 8	NorthTec Nursing for a Day	NorthTec, Raumanga Campus	9.00am - 2.30pm
Tue 9	Otago University Liaison Visit	College	9.30am - 10.30am
Tue 9	PPTA Strike - Year 12 students rostered home		
Tue 9 - Wed 10	NorthTec Barista Course	NorthTec, Raumanga Campus	9.00am - 3.00pm
Thu 11	PPTA Strike - Year 13 students (or whole school) rostered home		
Fri 12	Year 7/8 Bream Bay Sports Exchange	College	11.45am - 1.00pm
Mon 15	Lincoln University Liaison Visit	College	10.00am - 11.00am
Tue 16	PPTA Strike - Year 9 students rostered home		
Tue 16	NCEA me te Whānau Workshop	College Library	5.00pm - 6.00pm
Wed 17	PPTA Strike - Year 10 students rostered home		
Mon 22	Health & Sexuality Programme Presentation	College Staffroom	7.00pm
Thu 25	PPTA Strike - Year 11 students rostered home		
Fri 26	Pompallier Cross Country	Barge Park	9.30am - 2.30pm
Mon 29 - Tue 30	Gateway Health & Safety Course	College Library	8.30am - 3.00pm
Tue 30	PPTA Strike - Year 13 students rostered home		
Tue 30 - Wed 31	NorthTec Year 12 Barista Course	NorthTec, Raumanga Campus	9.00am - 3.00pm
Wed 31	E-Missions Day		

JUNE

Thu 1	PPTA Strike - Year 12 students rostered home		
Fri 2	Service Day	TBC	
Fri 2	Year 13 Hospitality NorthTec Course	TBC	
Mon 5	King's Birthday	Public Holiday	
Tue 6	PPTA Strike - Year 10 students rostered home		
Tue 6 - Fri 9	Social Justice Week		
Tue 6 - Wed 7	NorthTec Year 12 Barista Course	NorthTec, Raumanga Campus	9.00am - 3.00pm
Thu 8	PPTA Strike - Year 9 students rostered home		
Fri 9	Year 13 Hospitality NorthTec Course	TBC	
Fri 9	NorthTec Introduction to Beauty Course	NorthTec, Raumanga Campus	9.00am - 2.30pm
Mon 12 - Fri 16	Literacy & Numeracy Pilot Week 1	College	TBC
Fri 16	Year 13 Hospitality NorthTec Course	TBC	
Fri 16	NorthTec Introduction to Beauty Course	NorthTec, Raumanga Campus	9.00am - 2.30pm
Thu 22	Parent Teacher Interviews (In-person)	College	TBC
Fri 23	NorthTec Introduction to Beauty Course	NorthTec, Raumanga Campus	9.00am - 2.30pm
Tue 27	Parent Teacher Interviews (Online)		TBC
Thu 29	E-Missions Day		
Thu 29	Last Day of Term 2		
Fri 30	STAFF ONLY DAY	School closed for instruction	



SPORTS DEPARTMENT NEWS : Term 2, Week 2

SPORTS FEES

Sports fees are an extra-curricular activity cost, and show on your child's school account as a compulsory charge.

Please ensure all upcoming sports fees are paid by the due date.

WINTER SPORTS SEASON, 2023

With winter sport starting this term, I would like to remind all parents and family supporting our students from the side lines that we promote positive encouragement only. This includes to team members, coaches, managers and opposition.

We want to ensure that everyone participating is in a safe environment and are able to enjoy their sport of choice.

STUDENT SUCCESSES

Motorcross

Congratulations to **Hannah Perris** (pictured below left) in Year 8, who competed in the 12-16 year old NZ Girls Champ Motorcross event, and took out 1st place.

What a great achievement!

Gymnastics

On 22nd April, **Rosie Hewitt** and **Jessica Kalkhoven** (pictured below right) in Year 10, competed at the Central North Island Gymnastics competition, held in Gisborne.

Rosie came 2nd in Double Mini trampoline, and 4th in Trampoline.

Jessica came 3rd in Double Mini trampoline, and 1st in Trampoline, also qualifying for Nationals.

Well done girls.



Stock Cars

Chase Anderson (pictured opposite) in Year 8, is a bit of a champion when it comes to driving Mini Stocks Cars.

On 26th March he placed 2nd in the West Coast Championships, held in Dargaville.

Congratulations Chase!



Karate

Kyle Maclean in Year 8, recently competed in the New South Wales Karate Open Championships in Sydney.

He came 1st in 12-13 year boys' kata, and 1st in 12-13 year open weight kumite, coming home with 2 gold medals!

His success featured in the [Northern Advocate](#). Well done Kyle!

UPCOMING EVENTS - TERM 2

The most important sports events are listed below, with more to be advertised as they are added.

All events entered are subject to student interest, parent help and organiser's changes.

- 10 May Clay Target Shooting # 2 *Kaitia*
- 11 May Surfing Series # 2
- 12 May Year 7/8 Sports Exchange *Pompallier*
- 24 - 25 May Snr Mixed Volleyball Festival *TBC*
- 26 May Pompallier Cross Country *Barge Park*

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Remember, if you have a student success you would like to share, email us at ...

newsletter@pompallier.school.nz



SITUATIONS VACANT Catholic Diocese of Auckland

University Ministry Co-ordinator

Are you a self-motivated relationship-builder who can be the driving force behind a new project?

We're looking for someone who answers "Yes!" to become our full-time **University Ministry Coordinator**.

You'll be part of a tight-knit team implementing a bold new strategy for ministry to young people in the Diocese of Auckland.

Local Youth Ministry & Administration Support

Are you a self-motivated relationship-builder who wants to make a meaningful positive impact in the lives of young people?

The Diocese of Auckland want someone to join our team in the role of **Local Ministry and Administration Support**.

You'll be part of a tight-knit team implementing a bold new strategy for ministry to young people in the Diocese of Auckland.

For more information on either of the above vacancies, please visit:

www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/



SCHOOL MAGAZINE

We are now taking orders for this year's school magazine and will be using the on-line ordering system again. **The cost of the magazine is \$20.00.** Any family that wishes to purchase a magazine will need to pre-order one by clicking on the following link for further information and the ordering page:

[Order 2023 Magazine](#)

All orders must be received by Friday 25 August. There will be limited extra copies to purchase after publication, so please ensure you order your copy to avoid disappointment.

Advertising: We will be offering advertising space again this year. Our fee is \$150.00 for a full page advert, \$80.00 for a half page advert, or \$40.00 for a quarter page advert.

If you would like to support the magazine and advertise your business/organisation, or for further information, please contact Sarah Edgecombe via email: sarah.edgecombe@pompallier.school.nz.



Spit, don't rinse after brushing

Tuwaha, kua e opeopea i muri i te taitaitanga

TIPS TO KEEP YOU
SMILING

Fluoride in toothpaste helps prevent tooth decay

Avoid eating or drinking after brushing teeth, Especially at night so the fluoride can keep working to protect and strengthen teeth.



0800 MY TEETH
(0800 698 3384)

Need a dental appointment for your child?
CALL 0800 MY TEETH (0800 698 3384)

Te Whatu Ora
Health New Zealand



CAREERS ROADSHOW 2023 ...

Wow the Careers Roadshow is over for another year!! We managed to get the Roadshow here without any interruption or delays from Covid!

This year we welcomed over 30 exhibitors, many who have been part of the Roadshow for some years now. It was interesting to hear different perspectives from many exhibitors - one couldn't believe the queue for the Volunteering Northland stand, where students could make get well cards for the unwell young children at Whangarei Hospital. The exhibitor said there had been very little interest at other schools, but at Pompallier there was a long queue!!! This is a testimony to our school values and the way our students "live" them every day.

A special thanks goes out to Stephen Towey from Whangarei A and P Society, who always finds a novel way of engaging with our students. Last year it was the sheep that could be walked, and this year a box of fluffy chicks for the students to hold – awesome.

The Defence Forces also brought along a Unimog and a tow vehicle for the students to climb in and practice the target focus, along with the usual push-up challenge.

All these experiences just open our students eyes to the opportunities out there, and I have had some wonderful conversations with students since the Roadshow – really thinking about the "how can I get there", which is what it is all about.

If your child has come home with any questions, or if you have a question, please feel free to contact me to make an appointment to see me.

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CAREERS ROADSHOW 2023 contd ...





TE ROOPU KIMIORA

UNDERSTANDING ADHD & ADD

A TRK live online workshop for parents of young people with a diagnosis of ADHD or ADD.

- Understand the behaviours and symptoms your child may present with
- Understand treatment options
- Non-medication based strategies and techniques to manage difficulties
- Understand the strengths that come with neurodiversity.

Tuesday 16th May 2023
at 5:30pm via Zoom

Facilitated by Dr Sarah Castle (Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist)

Please email:

TRKWHG.Referrals@northlanddhb.org.nz
to book a place or speak to your case manager



Te Manawa Tahī Community Timetable



WHANGĀREI

All hubs are open from 9:00am until 12:00pm unless otherwise stated*

Date	Hub Locations	Term 2 2023, Weeks 1 to 4
Thurs 27 April	Te Rito, Cnr William Jones Drive & Rata Place, Otangarei	
	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo	
Wed 3 May	Back 2 Basics Childcare, 179 Newton Road, Maungatapere	
	Bream Bay Community Trust, 9 Takutai Place, Ruakākā	
Wed 10 May	Whangaruru School - 9am – 10.30am, 2916 Russell Road, Hikurangi	
Thurs 11 May	Onerahi Community House, 130 Onerahi Road, Onerahi	
	Tauraroa Area School, Omana Road, Maungakaramea	
Wed 17 May	Archie Bull Hall, 11 Kaiwaka – Mangawhai Road, Kaiwaka	
	Whānau Focus Centre, 61 Victoria Street, Dargaville	
Thurs 18 May	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo	
	Mangakahia Community Room, 1480 Mangakahia Road	

Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning **0800 524 842** or emailing **TT.Support@education.govt.nz**.