



POMPALLIER CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Te Kāreti Katorika o Pomapārie

"Diligere Verum" "Love the Truth" "Arohatia te Whakapono"

Newsletter 8 : 6 June, 2025

Tēnā koutou katoa,

On Wednesday 18 June we will celebrate Pompallier Day with a full school mass. This day affords us an opportunity to celebrate the Eucharist and to acknowledge that Pompallier Catholic College is the fruit of those who have gone before. We will, of course, remember our namesake, Bishop Jean Baptiste Pompallier, New Zealand's first Bishop. We will also celebrate his patron, St John the Baptist, whose feast day falls the following week on 24 June. And we will recall our Marist heritage, tracing back to Jean-Claude Colin, who, with fellow priests and seminarians, first pledged to establish the Society of Mary in 1816 in the chapel of Our Lady of Fourvière in Lyon, France.

A significant feature of Pompallier Day will also be the occasion of our last full school mass with Fr Brian Prendeville as chaplain. Fr Brian has continued the legacy of the Marist tradition here at Pompallier Catholic College. He is a gifted communicator who has brought the Gospel alive to the young men and women of the college. His knowledge of Tikanga and Te Reo also harkens back to Bishop Pompallier, who established strong connections with Northland Māori and oversaw the translation of Scripture and prayer into Māori at the Marist mission in Russell.

In the evening of the same day, we will hold our 2025 Fiafia Matariki celebrations here at the college. Our Year 7 and 8 classes are busy preparing for this wonderful event that will showcase Māori, Pasifika, and Asian culture. Parents and whānau are encouraged to join us from 4:30pm in the gym.

Mā te Atua koutou e manaaki,

Hayden Kingdon
PRINCIPAL

Please note:

- Congratulations to our Year 8 Kids' Lit Quiz team who came 5th in NZ at the Nationals in Wellington on Saturday 24 May.
- Congratulations also to our team of seniors who participated in the National Shakespeare Festival in Wellington over King's Birthday weekend, winning best costume design as a group, and James Thornton (Year 13) winning best actor in a supporting role.
- In sporting news, Te Rauroha Paki (Year 10) has been named in the New Zealand Tri Series Youth team to swim for New Zealand in the school holidays. This series is specifically designed for Olympic pathway athletes to be introduced to the demands of international meets. Congratulations to Te Rauroha on this fantastic achievement!
- A reminder that Friday 27 June is a Teacher Only Day. Term Three will begin on Monday 14 July.

Pompallier Catholic College – Call for Board of Trustees Nomination

Are you passionate about the future of Pompallier Catholic College? Do you want to join a board that is dedicated to guiding our wonderful school for the next three years and beyond?

We are seeking nominations for **five parent representatives** to join our Board of Trustees. This is a fantastic opportunity to contribute your skills and dedication to the governance of our college.

While no previous board experience is required, we would welcome individuals with an understanding of:

✚ **Our Marist Catholic Character** ✚ **Property** ✚ **Finance** ✚ **Strategic planning**

Ultimately, what matters most is your commitment to Pompallier Catholic College and your willingness to assist a dedicated board in ensuring our continued success.

For more details, please contact **Presiding Member Bronwen Gilmour** at **021 942 262**.

For more information on the elections, including an explanation of the fact they will be conducted online this year, please [click here](#).

VISION STATEMENT

Our Pompallier community living the values of Christ through faith, scholarly inquiry, aroha and courage.



UPCOMING EVENTS - Term 2

NOTE: All events are subject to confirmation.

JUNE

Fri 13	Beauty Taster Course	NorthTec	9:00am - 2:30pm
Fri 13	International Students EOTC Trip	Whangarei	12:00pm - 3:30pm
Fri 13	Shakespeare Festival Quiz Night	Pompallier Hall	7:00pm
Wed 18	Pompallier Day & Fiafia Matariki evening	Pompallier	TBC
Fri 20	MATARIKI PUBLIC HOLIDAY		
Sat 21	Youth Mass at St Francis	SFX Church	5:00pm
Thu 26	Year 7 Boostrix Vaccinations	College	9:00am
Fri 27	College Ball	Forum North	7:00pm - 11:00pm
Fri 27	STAFF ONLY DAY (Last day of Term 2)	School closed for instruction	



SCHOOL BUSES

Please note that variances to a students allocated bus route may be made in **emergencies** only, and only if permission has been granted by our Bus Co-ordinator. The Ministry of Education provides buses to a students place of residence, and **not** their after school activities.

As all our buses are at capacity and loadings have been carefully calculated, we appreciate parents understanding that we cannot manage a system where students use any bus they choose, to get to their wide and varied after school activities or friends houses. Please make your own arrangements in these cases.

Students are able to access 2 fare-paying services - Normans Route 1 and the Citylink-Maunu service.

Any student found abusing bus privileges may be removed from the service and have to make their own transport arrangements.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

POMPALLIER CATHOLIC COLLEGE 2026 ENROLMENTS

**Applications open on Monday 5 May, 2025
and close on Thursday 19 June, 2025**

It is advisable that Parents/Caregivers read our current [Enrolment Policy](#) and [2026 Enrolment Process](#) document prior to applying.

Enrolment application forms are available at the college office, on our [website](#), or you can request a pack to be posted to you by phoning the office on 09 438 3950.

Completed enrolment application forms should be dropped into the college office between 8:00am - 3:30pm Monday to Friday during term time.

For further information on enrolment, please visit the [enrolment pages](#) on our website.

For any enrolment queries, please contact Kelli Adams: 09 438 3950 ext 201, or admin@pompallier.school.nz

Note: students currently attending Pompallier Catholic College do not need to reapply for enrolment in 2026.



QUIZ NIGHT

FRIDAY 13TH JUNE

7:00PM

**POMPALLIER CATHOLIC
COLLEGE HALL**

TEAMS OF UP TO 6 PLAYERS | \$120 PER TEAM
BYO DRINKS, WITH A PLATE OF NIBBLES
PROVIDED FOR EACH TEAM

MYSTERY BAG AUCTIONS

PRIZE FOR 1ST PLACE 
PROUDLY SPONSORED BY YOVICH AND CO.

ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS SUPPORTING OUR
DRAMA STUDENTS WHO MADE IT TO THE
NATIONAL SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL IN WELLINGTON

TO ENTER A TEAM PLEASE CONTACT
(09) 4383950 or jane.woolston@pompallier.school.nz



SPORTS DEPARTMENT NEWS : Term 2, Week 6

SPORTS RESULTS:

BASKETBALL

Intermediate

won

Junior Boys White

lost

Junior Boys Blue

lost

Senior 1

vs Pompallier Senior 2 won

FOOTBALL

Collegiate Boys

vs Te Kamo High School lost 1 - 4

Collegiate Girls

Game deferred

HOCKEY

Collegiate 1st XI

No games, King's Birthday

Collegiate 2nd XI

No games, King's Birthday

JMC A

vs TKIS Girls lost 1 - 2

JMC B

vs TKIS Mixed Black won 4 - 2

NETBALL

No games, King's Birthday

KEEP UP-TO-DATE WITH SPORTS NEWS ...

[Add us on Facebook](#) for all sporting communication for Pompallier Catholic College!

Not on Facebook - no worries - all important information will still be posted internally through email and school notices!

NSSA CROSS COUNTRY

Some of our top cross country runners headed across to Barge Park last week to compete in the Northland Secondary Schools Cross Country. Congratulations to our top 10 placers:

Ronel Shaji - 2nd place Year 9/10 Boys

Noah Jones - 4th place Year 9/10 Boys

Summer Roberts - 6th place Year 9/10 Girls

Caoimhe Leahy - 9th place Year 9/10 Girls

Some pictures from the day are included on this page.



STUDENT SUCCESSES

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected into representative teams;

Jessica Meyer - Hockey Northland U18s Women's Team

Lucy Skelton - Hockey Northland U18s Women's Development Squad

Waira Samuels - U14 Girls Rugby League Northland

Sesalina Latavao - Northern Wairoa U16 Netball

Ilaisaane Ulutaufonua - Northern Wairoa U14 Netball

Khloe McCully - Northern Wairoa U14 Netball

Taylor Te Ao - Whangarei U14 Netball

Basketball

Congratulations to **Justin Reid** (Year 9) who plays for Northland Basketball U16s representative team. They recently qualified for the NZ Nationals U16 Basketball Tournament in Wellington - placing them in the top 18 U16 teams in NZ.

Swimming

Congratulations to **Te Rauroha Paki** (Year 10) who has been selected in the New Zealand Tri Series Youth Team. The team heads to Victoria in the upcoming school holidays.

This is a massive achievement for Te and we wish you all the best for the upcoming meet!

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UPCOMING EVENTS - TERM 2

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

- Tue 10 Jun Bream Bay Exchange (Year 7/8) *Pompallier*
- Tue 24 Jun Tikipunga Exchange (Year 7/8) *Tikipunga*

WEEKLY BASKETBALL LEAGUE - PHOTOS



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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 2025 Magazine](#)

All orders must be received by Friday 29 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.

2025 ICAS COMPETITIONS

[Login to purchase](#) your child's ICAS assessments using our schools Parent Payment System code.

Enter your child's details and choose the ICAS Assessments for the subjects they want to participate in.

Finalise payment, and your child is now registered!

JOB VACANCY

Administration Assistant
Auckland Common Fund Limited – Part Time

The Catholic Diocese of Auckland is seeking a methodical, cheerful, dedicated, and highly efficient person for the role of Administration Assistant to the Operations Manager, Auckland Common Fund Limited, to provide administration and operational support. This is a part-time role of 24 hours per week, Monday to Friday, with flexibility of hours between 9:30am and 3:30pm. Days/hours flexible for the right candidate.

Excellent interpersonal, verbal, and written communication skills, along with proficient IT competency in Word, Excel, knowledge/experience of Internal Database or CRM systems (Trello) and Document Management Tools i.e. SharePoint. It would be advantageous to have knowledge of Credit Rating Platforms. Can work under own initiative and have a can-do approach to work and is accurate and organised.

For more details, and a full position description, please visit the Diocesan website <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/staff-vacancies/>

Applications close on 20 June 2025.



KIDS LIT QUIZ ...

On Monday 12 May, eight Year 7 and 8 students travelled to Kerikeri to compete in the regional competition of the Kids Lit Quiz.

The Year 7 team - Toby Chamberlain, Thorfinn Mainland, Isabella Potticary, and Amelia Milner - placed 17th with a score of 58. James Buxton, Vicky Su, Ayla Dyer, and Milla Lovell, the Year 8 team, won with a score of 79. This was the first time Pompallier Catholic College had won - a fantastic achievement for these students! The Year 8 team of students then represented Northland at the National Kids Lit Quiz competition in Wellington on Saturday 24 May.

In Wellington, there were 18 teams. Correct answers gave you 2 points, incorrect answers lost the team 1 point. There were 5 rounds of 15 questions. After 3 rounds, the team was coming 2nd equal. At the end of the competition, Pompallier sat 4th equal. This meant a 3 question tie-breaker. Unfortunately, hesitation on the buzzer meant they lost. Their final placing was 5th in the entire country - an amazing result for their hard work - well done, team!

We would like to thank Dyer Street Storage and May Zhou for their thoughtful donations towards this trip.

Trudy Norrish
TEACHER IN CHARGE OF KIDS LIT QUIZ



Regional Kids Lit Quiz, Kerikeri



National Kids Lit Quiz, Wellington

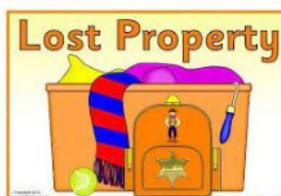


Remember, if you have a student success you would like to share, email us at ...

newsletter@pompallier.school.nz

2025 TERM DATES

TERM 1	Wednesday 29 January	Friday 11 April
TERM 2	Monday 28 April	Friday 27 June
TERM 3	Monday 14 July	Friday 19 September
TERM 4	Monday 6 October	Friday 5 December



LOST PROPERTY !!!

We have an enormous amount of lost property at our Student Centre.

Parents, if your child has lost an item, please ask them to pop into the Student Centre during their break to have a look through what has been handed in.

Also, this is a timely reminder to **please name your child's school uniform**. That way, if it lands up in our lost property, we can quickly return it to it's owner.

Thank you!



BUSINESS STUDIES NEWS ...

The Business Pitch for the Young Enterprise Scheme (YES) - Tuesday 20 May

This was an awesome day, topped off with a rousing Haka from our senior students, given in respect and recognition of the Judges and the YES team.



On Tuesday 20 May, Pompallier Catholic College proudly hosted a Young Enterprise Scheme (YES) Pitch Day, welcoming student business teams from across Northland. Participating schools included Bream Bay College, Whangārei Girls' High School, Whangārei Boys' High School, Mangakahia Area School, Te Kāpehu Whetū, and Tauraroa Area School.

The event provided a platform for students to present their business plans to local business professionals, who offered feedback and assessed their presentations. These assessments contribute to the students' overall marks in the competition and are also used as part of their NCEA internal assessments. Feedback from the judges is expected in the coming weeks.

While all teams showcased impressive innovation and professionalism, the Pompallier students stood out with their confident delivery and well-researched business concepts. Their performance was a testament to their hard work and the support of their mentors.

Hosting this event aligns with the business studies commitment to fostering real-world learning experiences and nurturing entrepreneurial skills among our students. We look forward to receiving the judges' feedback and continuing to support our students' growth in the Young Enterprise Scheme.



Tada Kayano and Eithanne Manabat promoting their business model ET Trinkets, making custom keyfobs and trinkets for business to business promotion



Corrienne Watt presenting her business KORRI, making unique boutique cases

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BUSINESS STUDIES NEWS contd ...



Joel Perry and Danica Withers promoting Breezy, a natural volumising hairspray



Jack Perris, Cordell Allan and Lucas Pool, after completing their presentation of the business JC tableware



The Wax and Wicker Company who sell boutique soap and candles (Hinewai Baltus, Peyton Seymour and Kate Stratton)



Kimberley Harris with her business "Sea Fever", producing custom bathroom wear



Ryan Waenink presenting his Android App for managing children's chore activity in the home. Promoting domestic harmony.



Reanna Stratton and Helena Iamafana presenting Mahuta Designs, making custom, boutique toys and models.

Upcoming Student Business Event: Waipu Boutique Market – Sunday 8 June

Our student entrepreneurs will be showcasing and selling their products at the Waipu Boutique Market, from 9:00am - 1:00pm, in the Coronation Hall. This is a fantastic opportunity for them to engage with the community, gain real-world business experience, and promote their innovative products. We warmly invite all members of our school community to come along and explore a variety of unique stalls, and encourage our students in their entrepreneurial journey!



! Celebrating a Successful Pink Shirt Day !

Congratulations to all our students and staff for making this year's Pink Shirt Day a great success! A special thanks goes to the members of Manaakitanga Ropu, whose dedication, hard work, and enthusiasm helped make the day truly memorable.

Thanks to your generosity and spirit, we raised an incredible \$1,315.50. These funds will go directly to the Mental Health Foundation, supporting young people across Aotearoa and helping to create kinder, more inclusive communities.

A huge thank you to everyone who wore something pink, made a donation, or purchased food on the day. Your support and participation reflect the true heart of our school community.

Congratulations also to Joshua Constantino and Georgie Lovell, our Pink Shirt Day competition winners!

