



Quote of the Week

"When I stand before God at the end of my life, I would hope that I would not have a single bit of talent left and could say, I used everything you gave me." Erma Bombeck



Mathex - Jo Gichard



The Wanganui Mathex Competition was held on Tuesday evening at Wanganui Intermediate School. In Mathex, teams of up to four students have 30 minutes to answer 20 maths questions. We had a total of 11 teams competing throughout the Year 5, 6, 7 & 8 competitions. Each competition had approximately 30 teams entered.

Our students performed extremely well with our best result being the Year 6 team of Noah Henry, Georgia Beswarick, Sophie Frericks and Sophie King (pictured) who were placed third with 16/20 correct answers.

One of our Year 5 teams placed fourth and one of our Year 7 teams was tenth. Well done to all the students who attended, you did us proud.

Contributing Football Tournament - Dell Hayward



Well done to the 29 students and three referees that represented themselves and St Annes impeccably. The three teams entered gave it their all and played with great sportsmanship.



Our B Team in Pool 3 won four of their five games and placed second. Our A Team came second in their group and placed joint third.



A huge thank you to our amazing parents who helped out throughout the day, in many ways!

Dear Parents/Caregivers

On Monday, I went to the PTA meeting. What a fantastic group of people you have heading up the PTA. They have some very interesting and innovative ideas, not just for fund-raising, but also for building community through social events. We are really grateful for all their hard work and for the support you, the families put behind their efforts. We received a cheque from the PTA on your behalf and we will let you know some of things that we are able to do because of this generous contribution.

One of the things that we discussed was the financing of school by the Ministry of Education. New Zealand boasts a free education for all. We all know that this isn't the reality of 21st century schooling. The Ministry pays the teachers salaries and gives the Board enough money to run a solid school and offer a good basic education. That's the free bit. We, as a community, want our school to have the bells and whistles - a multitude of sports gear and events, iPads in classrooms, modern equipment, camps, swimming, new and up-to-date resources and so on. These are all things we tend to take for granted, but they are what make our school offer, not just a basic education, but a vibrant and engaging one in a very highly regarded school. The PTA play a huge part in allowing that happen.

The PTA contribution, however, is still not enough. Your school fees and the contribution we ask you to make towards hiring buses, attending extra lessons like technology and badminton, swimming, those are also critical contributions to ensure we can continue to offer all these wonderful opportunities. Yesterday we sent home the latest accounts. We do not want to have to shrink what we, as a school, consider important lessons, but we do need enough money to be able to pay for them. Please priorities these accounts if you are able. We would appreciate the support.

Elizabeth Schaw
Relieving Principal

Lost:

PE shorts named Hodder, size for 7 year old.
Please return to Rm 2.

Would everyone who enters the junior block, and this includes caregivers, please remove their shoes. It is very muddy outside and the carpet is wearing most of it!! Thank you.

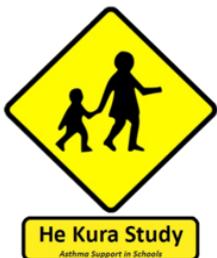


THANKS



Thanks to the PTA we have installed two new drinking fountains. A great asset during cross country training!

Healthy Breathing Activity Book!



As part of the He Kura Asthma Study, your child will have brought home or will soon be bringing home a Healthy Breathing and Asthma Activity booklet. This resource is filled with fun activities for your whānau to do together and includes information and links for parents and caregivers. The booklet will not be marked and does not need to be returned to school. The study team would love to know how you and your whānau found this resource. Please fill in our online survey for each child (see page 12 of the booklet) and go into the draw to win a \$50 grocery voucher.



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Calendar Art - PTA fundraiser

Your child's art can be made into affordable calendars, cards, diaries, mouse mats and notepads. These make unique Christmas gifts for family and friends and are perfect for posting overseas. Your child's artwork is available to look at in our office. When ordering calendars you can either pay with cash, cheque or internet payments (no eftpos available). These need to be received before Thursday 28 September.

If you are using the internet option our account details are: St Annes Parish School PTA - Westpac 03 0791 0556522 00

Please use your child's first name, last name and room number as the reference. You will still need to return your completed order form to the school office with internet payment made written on it. Once we have confirmed our payment we can process your order.

Thank you for your support with this fundraiser.



Room 6 and Room 7 are upcycling using old used recyclable items they find at home.



Cullinane College Enrolments

Enrolments for 2018 at Cullinane College are progressing well and we have had wonderful feedback and response to our roadshow presentations and open evening. If you are intending to enrol your child at Cullinane College for 2018 this is a reminder to touch base with the college office to collect an enrolment pack or see your Year 8 teacher.

If your child is enrolled at Cullinane College they are eligible to apply for five scholarships being offered and we would like to encourage students enrolled in 2018 to apply. Information around the scholarships will be posted out to parents of students enrolled at the College closer to the time. We will be running our Year 9 Orientation Day late in Term 4 for enrolled students.

We are already accepting enrolments for 2019 and beyond and would encourage parents to start the enrolment process to ensure placement. We look forward to meeting you and your family in the future.

M A Bullock, Acting Principal



**Thank-you God for
giving us Dads!**

You are invited to a:

***SPECIAL
FATHER'S DAY MASS***

3rd September 2017

9:30am

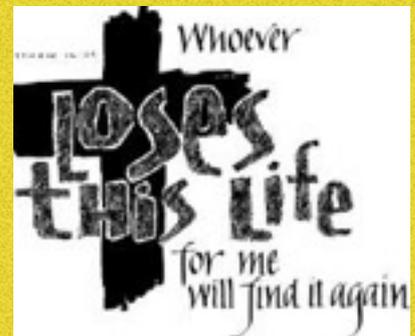
St Mary's Church

*We would love you join us after
mass for a sausage sizzle and
games too!*

Look forward to seeing you ☺

Gospel Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised. Then Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him, "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you." He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."



Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life? For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct."

Reflection

This teaching of Jesus to the small group of the Twelve can be summarized as follows: "Whoever has accepted the personal call to follow me, must accept me as I am." Following Jesus implies suffering and a cross! The mark of the Messiah is to become the mark of his disciples! They are to get behind him and follow him as he goes up to Jerusalem.

That which gives fullness of meaning to the cross is to carry it behind Jesus, not in a journey of anguished solitude, hopeless wandering or rebellion, but rather in a journey sustained and nourished by the presence of the Lord. Jesus asks us to courageously choose a life similar to his own. Those who would follow Jesus cannot avoid suffering. God's ways are not our ways – today we are encouraged to conform our ways to God's.