



Quote of the Week
"The Lord will guide you always" Isaiah 58:11

**REMINDER
NO SCHOOL**

**Please remember there is
no school tomorrow Friday
17 May, as it is a staff only
day!**

**SCHOOL
CLOSED**



Playground fun for our children

Dear Parents/Caregivers

We have heard that the mega teacher strike is confirmed for May 29th. This means that both primary and secondary teachers across the country will be on strike.

The minister recently announced \$95 million to recruit new teachers. What is so frustrating is that this strategy does not stop the flood of teachers leaving the profession. It does not solve the massive percentage of new, young teachers who resign within the first 5 years.

Some of the issues that remain for us are

- Primary teachers get 10 hours a term release. In a class of 28, that's only 21 minutes per child per term to be able work one-on-one with a student assessing them in reading, writing or maths. Secondary teachers get five hours a week. The lack of release time impacts on the teaching in the classroom – and our students deserve better.
- The government is refusing to commit to pay parity. Teachers should be paid the same for equal qualifications – regardless of the age of the students.
- A decade ago we used to get 100 applicants for a teaching job. Principals could choose the best candidate to meet the needs of their school. Now – we see vacancies having no applicants at all. We have classes being split because we can't find a relievers. We have jobs being advertised over and over again.
- There are a huge number of teachers in New Zealand who will be retiring over the next decade, and if we are struggling to fill positions now, what will happen then? We need to make teaching an attractive career for our best and brightest, and then have pay and conditions that will keep them there.

We have already battled this for a year. It costs us financially. We love our students. We hate striking. We know that it is frustrating for parents.

I understand that that May 29th will be inconvenient. I don't expect it will be the last disruption over these issues. But please believe me that we are fighting for your children. We have come too far to give up now. If we stop, we will have a huge deficit of capable, experienced teachers in five years time. A gap that we just won't be able to plug, like we currently are doing.

We value your support as we work to secure New Zealand's future to ensure that our education system continues to be world class.

We value your support as we work to ensure that every child in New Zealand gets the best education possible, now and into the future.

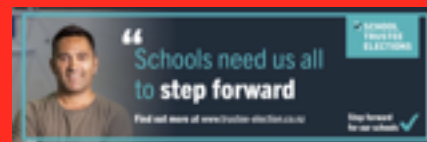
Let us stand up together for the future of our country. It's time.

ngā mihi
Elizabeth Schaw
Principal



2019 Board of Trustee Election 7 June 2019

You should have received a letter with a nomination form attached.



Please take the time to think about either becoming a board member or nominating someone who might be able to make a lasting contribution to our school. These forms need to be completed and returned to St Anne's School before **12 noon on 24 May 2019**. Anyone can be nominated as long as they are nominated by someone on the voting roll.

If you have not received this letter please check with our office that we have the correct name and address for you on our records.

Jo Gudsell
Returning Officer

Relay For Health 2019

We will be running a Relay For Health fundraiser in week four of this term. The money raised will be going towards school camps and education outside of the classroom. It is a fun day for the children and we appreciate the effort that you as parents/caregivers do to encourage sponsors.

There are three main prizes for the most money raised and lots of spot prizes to be given out on the actual day as well.

A fundraiser sheet will come home and I am sure the children would love your help to get sponsors for this fun event.

The relay will take place on **Thursday 23rd May** at 9.00am and run for an hour. You are most welcome to come and join in or watch and support your children in their endeavour to achieve the goal they have set.

Thanks in advance
Pam Wilson

**PLEASE NOTE IT IS THE LAST WEEK TO GET THESE
SPONSORSHIP FORMS IN**

News From Jo Gichard DRS

School Mass Sunday 16th
June at 9.30am.



Living Faith from Fr Marcus

Anyone and everyone looking to begin or deepen their faith /spiritual journey is invited to a new experience. It is called "Living Faith." We will gather in the St Mary's church foyer to watch a 23 minute video before breaking into small groups and then after a short period of prayer together to share some hospitality. It is anticipated things will start at 2pm and conclude by approximately 3.30pm. There is no obligation and no cost. It is not a church service rather an opportunity to share and to meet others who are thinking about things spiritual. All are welcome.

Jo Gichard
jogichard@stannes.school.nz

Sports News from Ava and Damian Room 8

Netball starts this weekend - good luck to the girls in the opening weekend tournament. Please remind them to be respectful of the coaches and umpires of any sport they play.

If you have any school sports gear at home can you please return it to school as soon as possible.



Missing

A blue and silver scooter, "Jack Kuzman" engraved on it, "Razor" brand, if found, please bring to Rm10.

Thank you very much.

2019 Great Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science Competitions



Dear Parents and Caregivers

The University of Canterbury is offering your child the opportunity to participate in the Great KIWI English, Mathematics and Science competitions. These competitions take place annually and are designed by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students based on the New Zealand Curriculum. For further information, please consult the CEM website www.cem.canterbury.ac.nz

The competitions are open to all Year 5-10 students in English, Mathematics and Science. Students can enter in one or more subjects. The competition provides teachers, parents and students with an independent, comprehensive record of a student's performance in key school subjects. The supervised online tests will take place in the last 3 weeks of Term 2 and the first week of Term 3.

All participating students will receive a certificate and prizes will be awarded to top students.

Entries are administered by the school. For further information, please consult the CEM website www.cem.canterbury.ac.nz



Please return THIS section to the school office by 22 May by 9 am. No late entries will be accepted.

I give permission for my child: _____ DOB _____ Class: _____
to participate in the 2019 KIWI competitions. Please select the subjects you would like your child to enter

Subject	Year Level	Entry (Inc GST)	Fees enclosed
English		\$9.00	
Mathematics		\$9.00	
Science		\$9.00	
Total			\$

Name of parent /caregiver:

Signature :



Friday 17 May is Pink Shirt Day. Pink Shirt Friday is a global day that celebrates diversity and creates environments where all people can feel safe, valued and respected.

At St Anne's School we use our school values to help children manage their behaviour and help them build positive relationships with each other.

Excellence (be the best you can be)

Service (see a need and act)

Courage (do the right thing even when it is hard)

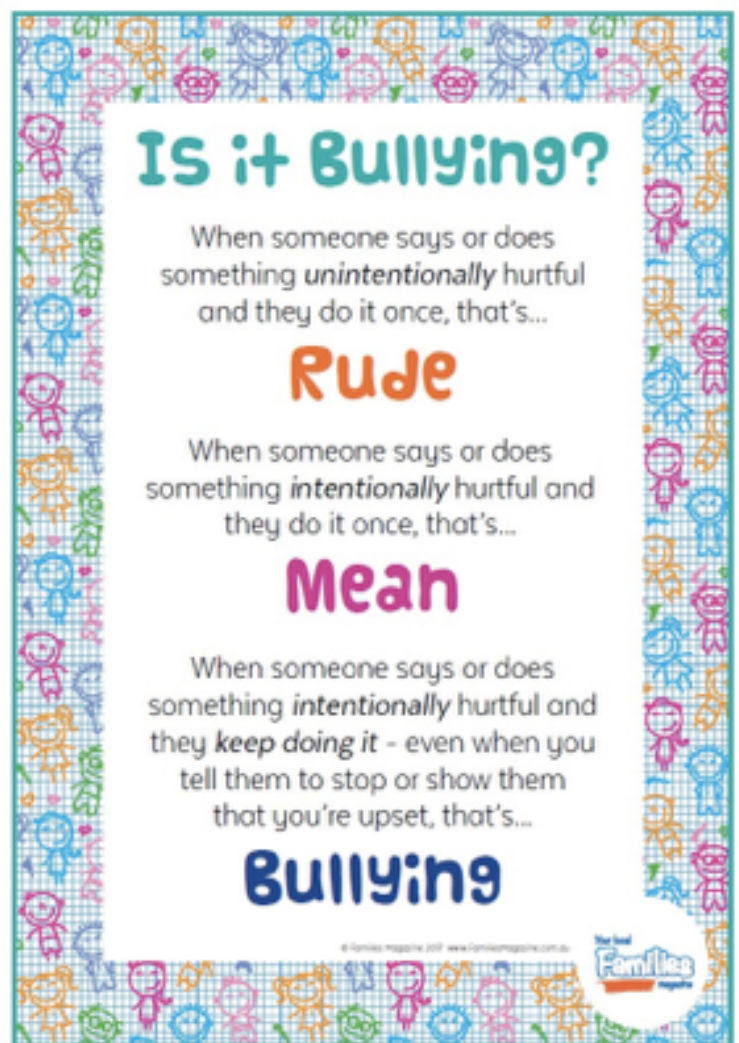
Aroha (show kindness and respect to all)

We work very hard on managing behaviour. Most of the problems that occur are conflicts - children being mean, children being rude. Sometimes it is more deliberate and on-going and from a position of power, then children are bullying.

We work to resolve conflicts and to deal with and try to prevent bullying and create a safe, kind environment for all our rangatahi/young people!

We have a very deliberate, clear and strong procedure for managing any incidents that do happen. We respond with logical consequences.

Tomorrow all staff will be involved in Professional Development focussed on Restorative Practices, which will give us another powerful tool in our kete.





The Scholastic
ENCHANTED Forest
is arriving!

4 DAYS ONLY

So come in and visit the library,
see the amazing artwork from our
students

and browse through the books for sale.

OPENING HOURS

14 June FRIDAY 9-3PM

17 June Monday 9-3pm

18 June TUESDAY 9-3pm

19 June WEDNESDAY 9-3pm

WITH A SPECIAL LATE NIGHT OPENING

MONDAY 5PM-6.30PM 17 June 2019
for the Schools Open Evening

We are going to kick start the Book Fair
this year with a

MAGICAL ENCHANTED FOREST
DRESS-UP DAY

Friday 14 June



Attendance Dues Information – May 2019

- ❖ 2019 attendance dues invoices were sent by post to all families in March. If you haven't received an invoice, please contact us so we can send one to you.
- ❖ Thank you to all the families who have paid their Attendance Dues on time or who have contacted us to make a payment arrangement.
- ❖ If your payment made on or before the 31st March 2019 also included a **voluntary catholic character donation** of \$5.00 or more, a donation receipt has been sent by post in May, for you to claim a tax rebate.
- ❖ If you wish to set up a regular payment plan, please contact the Attendance Dues team – Marcy, Susan and Mark – to discuss payment options. Our contact details are as follows:
 - 0800 200 208; or
 - dues@pndiocese.org.nz
- ❖ One off payments by credit card or debit card (Visa or Mastercard only) can be made using our website: www.pndiocese.org.nz/education/dues.
- ❖ Attendance Dues statements have also been sent by post in May, requesting payment of the 2nd instalment, plus any arrears from the 1st instalment and/or previous years, by **31st May 2019**, unless a payment arrangement is already in place.
 - The instalment amounts are:
 - \$111.75 for each Primary student (Year 0 – 8) and
 - \$223.50 for each Secondary Student (Year 9 – 13).

WAIKUA TAPU KIDS



DO YOU LOVE YOUR MUM? WHY NOT DRESS UP AS HER AND COME ALONG TO YOUTH GROUP!

Come find out at St Mary's Church on Friday 17th May, our next Youth Group of Term 2!

From 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Anyone in Year 7-10 welcome

Led by Marianne Lynch (027 426 9881), Te Mana Kaua (Year 13 students), and Kea Renata (0225618572)

Whanganui Girls' College presents...

ALVER & DOY'S

WENDY

THE PETER PAN MUSICAL

23rd, 24th, 25th May at 7pm - School Hall

Tickets are on sale now! Purchase from the school office.
Child \$8 Adult \$12 Family \$35
www.facebook.com/whanganuigirlscollege
06 349 0944