



# Week 5 Term 2

## 27th May 2019

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### School is closed Wednesday 29th May.

We greatly appreciate the community support that we have already received throughout our campaign.

The decision to take further strike action was not taken lightly by any of us. For the first time, both primary and secondary teachers are striking together because the crisis in education hits us all very hard and we need the Government to understand how serious it is.

Schools are grappling with staffing. Schools struggle daily to find enough teachers to meet their relief teacher needs and this will worsen as winter approaches.

Also with staff shortages nation wide we will end up with larger class sizes over time with more and more teachers leaving the profession.

There is a desperate need for more support for children with additional learning needs. There aren't enough resources available for supporting children with additional learning and behaviour needs. We are at a point where students are needing more individualised care to help them succeed.

Teachers and principals are facing immense pressure due to enormous workloads and more responsibilities without any additional staffing or time allowances.

Teachers and principals need time to teach, time to lead, time to for professional development, time to give your children the quality they deserve.

God Bless



## IT'S TIME YOUR CHILDREN HAD THE EDUCATION THEY DESERVE

Schools are facing a teacher shortage crisis, with a 40% drop in people training to be teachers; and a growing number of school-aged children. In late 2018, 50% of schools reported that they did not have enough teachers. Schools are struggling to attract teaching staff, and that problem looks set to worsen.

There is also a desperate need for more support for children with additional learning needs.

Yet, the Government recorded a bumper surplus of \$2.5 billion in April 2019. The money is available and we're calling on the government to prioritise a quality public education for every child.

## WHAT WE ARE CAMPAIGNING FOR?

- \* **More teachers – so your kids can get more attention**
- \* **More resources/staff to support children with additional learning needs**
- \* **A pay jolt to salaries for teachers to address the teacher shortage – so that your children will have a teacher in the future.**

## SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!

Let your teachers know you support them and join in campaign activities at your local school. Find out more at <https://campaigns.nzei.org.nz/time>. And join our National Day of Action on 29 May – you can find your local event at [backtheteachers.co.nz](http://backtheteachers.co.nz).

REMINDER



Staff Only Day...



Reminder that we are closed on the

**Tuesday 4th of June.**

This is so staff can complete study they have been involved in through the Catholic Institute on Catholic Social Teaching.

# RIVERCITY DANCESPORT CHAMPIONSHIP

**15<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

**Doors open 11:30am**

**Whanganui War Memorial Centre**



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# CSD19

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS DAY  
TUESDAY 28 MAY 2019

Extending Christ's Call: to love, to be, to do  
Kia rangiwhāwhātia tā te Karaiti karanga: kia aroha, kia tūturu, kia mahi

Come and join us celebrating being a Catholic community with our  
other Catholic schools.

Mass at the Whanganui Memorial Hall  
Tuesday 28th May  
10am.

You are welcome to join us on Tuesday at the Memorial Hall for Mass. This is always a very special gathering as we get to see the full impact of Catholic School in Whanganui.

Also keep an eye out as we have a feature article in the River City Press.



We are loving the leaves!



# COURTESY

## Whakaaro atawhai



"to speak evil of no one, to avoid quarrelling, to be gentle, and to show perfect courtesy toward all people." (Titus 3:2)


In Term 2 we are focusing on the Gospel Value of **Courtesy**.

**We would love you to take the time to talk** about and reinforce each aspect of our ICIC Gospel Values with your child.

This week we look at **Patience**... there are 4 skills that we can work towards.

### Patience

Waiting to take my turn  
Sensibly entering and exiting situations  
Respecting people's conversations  
Show patience until the time is right to act

A black and white cartoon illustration showing a group of children outside a building. One child is running towards a door, while others are waiting. A speech bubble is coming from the door, suggesting a conversation or announcement. The scene illustrates the concept of patience in a social setting.



# PTA Fundraiser:

Lamb Raffle time again...

Please check your child's bag this week for raffle tickets.

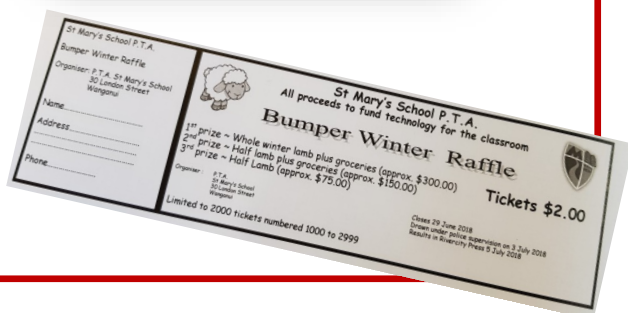
If you don't have any and would like some to sell please let Ivy know on 343 1227.

If you have some tickets but won't be able to sell them please return them to school so we can give them to families wanting more.

This is a massive fundraiser for us and the money raised will go towards wet weather shelter for students before and after school and outside the Junior Learning Centre.

**There will be a Pita Pit Voucher for the child who sells the most tickets.**

Thanks to the  
Carver Family  
For our lambs!



**COME & JOIN US**

**Wairua Tapu Kids Youth Group  
have an announcement!**

**On Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9.30am at St Mary's  
Church, we are having a youth orientated Mass!!**

**We invite you to join us and bring along your  
family, children, grandchildren and great  
grandchildren to celebrate this Mass with us!**

**If you have any queries or offers of support, please  
contact the leaders Marianne Lynch (027 426 9881),  
Te Mana Kaua (Year 13 students), and Kea Renata  
(0225618572), or the parish office**





You are warmly invited  
to attend the  
**Cullinane College**  
**Open Evening**

June 27th beginning  
at 6.30pm in the  
College's Performing  
Arts Centre





**COMING  
SOON**

## May

27th:

- Badminton Room 7

28th:

- Catholic Schools Combined Mass–10am Memorial Hall

29th:

- Proposed Teacher Strike Day - School will be closed. 

30th:

- Pita Pit go to lunchonline

31st:

- Mass at Cullinane Rooms 8 and 9
- Gifted and Talented

## June

3rd:

- Queens Birthday School Closed

4th:

- Staff Only Day School Closed 

5th:

- Year 7/8 Tech @ Cullinane
- Kapahaka
- Rotary Readers
- Contributing Sports Rippa Rugby
- Assembly Room 4

6th:

- Super 6 Netball

7th:

- Gifted and Talented
- Mass at Cullinane Rooms 4 and 5

9th:

- School Mass 9th of June at 9.30 at St Mary's Church

10th:

- Badminton Room 7, Room 8 and Room 10

11th:

- Dance Rooms 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
- Badminton Room 9

12th:

- Year 7/8 Tech @ Cullinane
- Kapahaka
- Rotary Readers

13th:

- Pita Pit go to lunchonline