



Week 8 Term 3 September 2020

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Still at Level 2...

Please see the next page regarding a change to **gate** entry in the mornings.

The **Cross Country will look different at Level 2!** We will be going ahead on Friday the 11th but will not have St Anne's and St Marcellin attend. We will be bringing the students across in waves so we are able to have parents come along. A special newsletter will come out before Friday with the all the details you will need. If you wish to withdraw your child from the big event please fill out the permission slip that will come out prior to Friday.

Our children are practicing for our yearly **concert**. We are anxiously watching the alert levels as this will determine whether we can go ahead. Watch this space as we will be planning behind the scenes to ensure you get to see their wonderful items.

God Bless

Jacqui Luxton

Level 2 Morning Gate Duty Change



From Monday the **7 September** we will have all gates open from 8.30am to meet and welcome students into school. At this time we notice that we have a good group of students come in and then it quietens down to a trickle. At 8.45 we will close the Tay Street and Russell Street gates and only use the main gate on London Street. There will be a staff member at that gate to welcome your child in.

We will be having a staff member on all gates at the end of school as usual practice in Level 2 from 2.45pm to try and stop congestion.

We do encourage students to social distance as it is a learning tool for them out in the community.

A MESSAGE FROM CULLINANE COLLEGE

Thank you to everyone who participated in and/or attended our very successful Open Evening in August. Enrolments during the year have been steady and we have a lovely cohort of students coming to Cullinane in 2021. If you are hoping to enrol your child or know of anyone who is wanting to enrol for next year and beyond, please collect your application pack from the College office as soon as possible.



Scholarships: We will be sending our Scholarship applications to enrolled students at the start of next term. There are 12 scholarships available and I would encourage every student to have a go. Students considering applying for a scholarship must have their enrolment completed with the Principal prior to application. The scholarship is paid directly to parents to assist in setting up their child for school in the new year and each student who succeeds in winning a scholarship will receive a new school jacket.

Orientation Day: Planning is underway for our Year 8 Orientation Day at the end of term four. Students wishing to attend our Orientation Day must have their enrolment completed prior to this.

Student Wellbeing

We have had some great news!

The Ministry of Education have launched a funding scheme to support student wellbeing during the remainder of 2020.

We have applied for and been successful in securing a grant, as part of this scheme, for our school.

This has allowed us to extend our current Wellbeing and Resilience programme.

Devon, who already runs this programme one day a week will now be working fulltime until the end of the year. She will be able to work with increased numbers of students which is a great opportunity for us.

These groups work on developing socially confident and actively involved lifelong learners to meet their full potential.

If you do not wish your child to be part of this initiative or you would like to know more please email me jacquil@stmarys.ac.nz



Attendance Dues Information – September 2020

Thank you to all families who have made payment or made contact and organised payment arrangements for Attendance Dues this year.

The 4th and final statement for Attendance Dues 2020 and any arrears for this year and previous years will be emailed (providing we have an email address on file) or posted by the end of this week. Emails will be sent from **Diocese of Palmerston North Attendance Dues Team** dues@pndiocese.org.nz and may appear in your junk/spam folder.

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.

The Attendance Dues team are happy to advise payment options that will help your family to pay your Attendance Dues. Please contact Anne-Marie, Marcy and Mark before **30th September** to discuss this with you.

Our contact details are as follows:

0800 200 208; or

dues@pndiocese.org.nz

The Dental Caravan will be on site from Thursday.

If you need to get dental treatment for your child please ring 06 348 1712

The therapists will be able to make an appointment for you.



Free WATER SKILLS FOR LIFE WORKSHOPS

For teachers, parents or swim instructors.

Two sessions available:

Wednesday 30th September & Tuesday 6th October.
Sport Whanganui, 10am - 2pm.

Spaces will be limited to 25 adults and 10 students per day.

10 students between 8 - 11 years of age will be required for pool sessions.

To register please follow the below link:
<https://rb.gy/ckf2uk>

If you have any questions please contact Jodie at Sport Whanganui on 06 349 2324 or jodie@sportwhanganui.co.nz



Water Safety
NEW ZEALAND

Swimming
NEW ZEALAND

Splash
centre

sport
whanganui
leader's program



📍 Thursday 10 September 2020

[Netsafe LIVE](#) is a free event for parents and whānau about keeping young people safe online. Netsafe's Education Advisor Pauline Spence will be talking about the risks, challenges and opportunities of digital technology, and the practical ways we can all help young people to be safe online.

This session is for parents and whānau who are caring for young people of all ages – from preschool to teenagers – and will look at how to support children and young people as they navigate opportunities, challenges and complexities online.

Time: 7:00pm –8:00pm

For more information about the session and to register, visit:
<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/the-kit/netsafe-live-vln/>



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Student's Full Name

Student's Class or Room No.

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Parent's Email Address

example@email.com

Parent's Contact Number

+641234567

Reason

Please provide a clear reason for this absence.

Send



If your child is unwell, vomits or has diarrhoea you are required to keep your child home **48 hours after** all symptoms have stopped.

Who to see...

If you have a query or concern regarding your child please see your **child's Teacher** first.

If you still require assistance please see your child's Team Leader as follows:

Junior Team

Dallas Limpus: dallasl@stmarys.ac.nz

Student from JLC, Room 3, 4 and 5

Middle Team

Cath Daignault: cathd@stmarys.ac.nz

Students from Rooms 6, 7 and 8

Senior Team

Ian Kerr: iank@stmarys.ac.nz

Students from Rooms 9, 10 and 11

If you still require assistance

Deputy Principal:

Kate Linklater: katiel@stmarys.ac.nz

If you still require assistance

Principal:

Jacqui Luxton: jacquil@stmarys.ac.nz



September



Tuesday 8th:

- Gifted and Talented STEM
- PCT challenge

Wednesday 9th:

- Year 7 & 8 Technology at Cullinane
- Kapahaka

Thursday 10th:

- Pita Pit go to lunchonline
- Catholic Schools Speech Competition

Friday 11th:

- Mass at Cullinane Rooms 10 & 11
- Gifted and Talented Art
- **School Cross Country** - details to come

Tuesday 15th:

- Gifted and Talented STEM

Wednesday 16th:

- Year 7 & 8 Technology at Cullinane
- Kapahaka

Thursday 17th

- Pita Pit go to lunchonline
- Intermediate Cross Country

Tuesday 22nd:

- Gifted and Talented STEM

Wednesday 23rd:

- Year 7 & 8 Technology at Cullinane
- Kapahaka
- School Concert Practise at the Opera House
- SCHOOL CONCERT

Thursday 24th:

- Pita Pit go to lunchonline

Friday 25th:

- Mass at Cullinane
- LAST DAY OF TERM 3



Term 4 begins 12 October

School Concert @ the Whanganui Opera House...
23rd of September

