



E-Newsletter # 8
Term 3 Week 2 2026

Learn to Love,
Love to Learn

Akona te Aroha, Arohaina te Ako

Upcoming Dates

Friday 31 July
Hub Led Mass
9am

Assembly
Led by Tumanako
1.30pm

Monday 3 August
Liturgy
Led by Arohanui Tuatahi
9am

Yr 5&6 Cross Country
Reremoana School

Thursday 6 August
Feast of the
Transfiguration School
Liturgy 9am



Greetings, Kia Ora Koutou Katoa, Talofa Lava, Malo e Lelei, *Kia Orana, Fakalofa atu, Kumusta, Shlama Ellokhon, Zdravo, Kona Mauri, Malo Ni, Salam Alaikum, Bula Vinaka, Namaste, Chao Ban*

Kia ora whānau,

What a wonderful start to Term 3 we have had. Please enjoy the newsletter:

A Beautiful Beginning

Our term began with a beautiful Powhiri and Welcome Liturgy where we welcomed new students into our whānau: Lucas, David, Homayra, Breece, Lucy, and Nathaniel. This sacred ceremony has set a wonderful tone for the term ahead.

St Anne's Feast Day Celebration

Friday, July 24th brought one of the most special moments on our school calendar - St Anne's Feast Day. We gathered for a beautiful Mass celebrated by Fr Kevin, celebrating St Anne and St Joachim, and the blessings of the St Anne's community.

What made this day truly extraordinary was our Grandparents Day celebration with morning tea that followed the Mass. The joy on the faces of our students as they spent time with their kuia and koroua (grandmothers and grandfathers) in their classes, the warmth of the kai shared, and the connections we made were absolutely beautiful. Thank you to all the grandparents and extended whānau who came to celebrate with us - your presence means the world to our children. [Please click](#)

Farewell Fr Carl and Fr Peter

This term we farewell two much-loved priests from our school and parish community, Fr Carl and Pa Peter. Fr Carl has been a constant, warm presence around our school every single day, with a real gift for connecting with staff, parents, students, and visitors alike — and of course, we won't forget his Cook Island dancing. Pa Peter has blessed us with his love of Te Reo Māori and waiata, weaving it beautifully into our mass celebrations, joining our staff Te Reo

Receive a \$20 Supermarket Voucher

On Monday 3rd August, your child will bring home an information and consent form for the GASP Pilot Study—a project testing a new way to check sore throats alongside our Mana Kidz clinic.

As a thank-you for your time, every completed and returned student form gets a **\$20 voucher on the spot**—whether you choose to consent or not.

How to collect your voucher:

Fill in & Sign: Complete the final page of the pack brought home by your child.

Hand it in: Bring your form to our Nurses in Atawhai Room during Student Led Conferences.

Return: Wednesday 5th & Thursday 6th August, 3:00pm – 5:00pm.

A very big
welcome!

To the following students (and their whanau) who have recently started at our school

Breece Perez
Nathaniel Tanuvasa
Lucy-Ana Samani
Homayra Ane
Lucas Truter
Elise Pangatungan
Eithan Pangatungan
David Jomon
Sio Ah Kuoi

classes, and helping grow our school's understanding and honouring of Te Tiriti.

We thank Fr Carl and Pa Peter for everything they have given to St Anne's, and we wish them every blessing as they move on to their next chapter. Haere rā, and God bless you both.

Looking Ahead:

Our staff continue to engage in high-quality professional development. Our Maths Ministry PLD helped our teachers deepen their understanding of the revised mathematics curriculum. We also have Writing Acceleration Support and Writer's Toolbox PLD for our staff, ensuring we are providing the very best in literacy instruction for our tamariki.

Sporting Achievements Our students have been representing St Anne's with pride:

- **CCSA Year 7-8 Netball Tournament** - our year 7-8 students competed with skill and teamwork.
- **MPSSA Year 5-6 Cross Country** at Reremoana - Monday 3rd August.
- **St Anne's Shield training** is underway, as we prepare for this amazing event of inter-school competition held yearly since 1960.

Spiritual Celebrations:

- **Feast of the Transfiguration (Thursday, August 6th)** - a Full School Liturgy as we remember Jesus' transfiguration
- **Feast of the Assumption (Friday, August 14th)** - a Full School Mass celebrating Mary, the mother of Jesus
- **Kapa Haka** - Regular sessions continue to strengthen our connection to te ao Māori
- **Siva Storytelling Programme** for our Aroha team provides engaging cultural dance

Student-Led Conferences

**Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th August
from 3:00pm**

Our students will share their learning progress and set goals for continued growth. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate your child's achievements and set goals for Term 3 and 4.

Book your times on:

Website: Schoolinterviews.co.nz

Code: 3xawc

Attendance

Every day matters. Every moment counts. Every student is valued and cherished. Congratulations to the 42 Students who attended school everyday in Term 1 and 2. A wonderful example for us all.

Looking Toward Term's End

We also look ahead with anticipation to exciting events still to come:

- **St Anne's Shield Competition** - our Catholic inter-school sports challenge, 26th August
- **School led Parish Mass**, Saturday 29th August
- **ST(RE)AM Slam Challenge Awards** celebrating creative learning, 11th September
- **Te Wiki o te Reo Māori** (Māori Language Week), 14th-18th September
- **Rehu Tai Manurewa and Auckland Finals** for our senior students
- **Mercy Day Mass** on Thursday September 24th

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Thank you to our whānau for the trust and partnership you place in us. Thank you to our incredible staff for their dedication and care. Thank you to our students for bringing joy and enthusiasm to school each day.

Ngā mihi nui

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Principal

St Anne's Catholic School

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." - Jeremiah 29:11

Past Student Achievements - Congratulations, Malachai



Over the weekend, Malachai proudly represented De La Salle at the Waikato Wrestling Championships, where he won a Silver Medal.

This was Malachai's very first wrestling competition, making his achievement even more impressive. He

competed against a much more experienced wrestler from a wrestling academy and showed outstanding determination, courage, and resilience throughout the match.

Congratulations, Malachai, on this fantastic accomplishment. We are incredibly proud of your hard work, perseverance, and willingness to challenge yourself. Well done!

Attendance Dues

Is your child's Attendance Dues account up to date? Have you set up an AP and is the AP enough to have the account paid in full by 1 December - please check.

A reminder that accounts must be paid in full by 1 December 2026. If you would like to discuss your account or think you may need some Financial Assistance please contact Mrs Sparks at the school office or [download this form](#).

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