



POMPALLIER CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Te Kāreti Katorika o Pomapārie

"Diligere Verum" "Love the Truth" "Arohatia te Whakapono"

Newsletter 10 : 28 August, 2020

Tēnā Koutou Katoa, Greetings to you,

The Government recently provided \$3 million to the Ministry of Education in te Tai Tokerau, for addressing student needs arising from Covid-19.

We applied for \$100,000 to fund the following services to our students.:

- Additional Counselling hours
- Provision of Travellers Programme for students needing emotional support
- 12 hours of lessons on emotional health for Year 7/8
- Additional Careers Guidance hours for 2020
- Two specialist teachers for NCEA students
- A teacher aid for working with a few boys
- Funding for the position of Family Worker in 2021.

The Ministry of Education approved the full application within 4 days! Thank you very much Ministry of Education and Government. Some of the above services we had already commenced delivering using our relief teacher funding, so it's good that we can now use this new funding to provide further support to our students.

Looking ahead, we are organising our school programmes on the presumption that there will be occasions when we are moving between Alert Level 2 and Alert Level 1, while planning for the possibility of being at Alert Level 3.

We have been closely monitoring the students' progress with NCEA and University Entrance. I am confident that we will continue to produce high academic outcomes this year, and have students ready for their desired education next year.

Teachers involved with NCEA are now gathering information to enable them to make derived grade judgements. This process means that we will be able to assign grades to students if they are kept out of external exams by Alert Level 3.

At Alert Level 2, school will have social distancing measures in place within the classroom. Everyone should be at school unless they are sick.

Accurate close contact tracing is required, so we will not have large school gatherings such as a school Mass, school assemblies and school camps/retreats, even though we are permitted to hold such events.

However, we will run smaller sized gatherings (between 30 – 80 students) for Year level meetings, with students 1 metre apart at school.

Events involving large numbers of people from outside our school, such as the School Ball, Leavers' Dinner, Leavers' Mass and Prize Giving, will be postponed or cancelled at Level 2.

School sports is a mixed-bag of cancellations and postponements, as the large sporting codes tend to act independently of each other. It is best to check directly via the coaches or websites as to which events are happening.

At Alert Level 1, students, parents and staff will experience business as usual within our school environment. The only change from pre-Covid days, is that we will have few or no EOTC school events taking students out of Northland. This will keep costs down for our parents and reduce uncertainty arising from regional restrictions.

In the midst of all this uncertainty, God must seem rather distant at times. If Jesus felt abandoned by God, it should not be surprising at all if we feel the same. However, when Jesus felt most alone, it was also the start of the time when he became more fully aware of being one with God. The same promise and reason for optimism is here for us now, if we but trust in God's goodness and his dominion over the created world and its inhabitants.

Richard Stanton
PRINCIPAL

COLLECTING CHILDREN DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

We have had a number of parents lately arriving at school to collect their child for an appointment that we have not been notified about. If your child has an appointment during the day, please **remember that a note should be sent from home** and handed to the Student Centre when your child arrives at school in the morning. This is to ensure that we issue them with a pass to leave class, and make arrangements for them to be at the Student Centre when you arrive to collect them, so you are not waiting unnecessarily.

Likewise, we have also had parents arrive unexpectedly towards the end of the day to collect their child to take them home early. We realise that in some instances in an emergency it is not possible to phone us, however, in most cases advance notice is possible, and we ask that you do **phone us in plenty of time** so that we can arrange for your child to come to the Student Centre and be ready for when you arrive.

We appreciate your understanding that it can be very difficult to run around last minute to find your child, putting our staff under unnecessary pressure.

If you have any queries regarding these matters, please email: admin@pompallier.school.nz. Thank you.

VISION STATEMENT

Pompallier Catholic College is a Catholic community with a Marist charism that challenges all students to excel in their endeavours. We promote Christian values, excellence in learning and quality relationships to enable students to be outstanding citizens. Our College shall be a place where all "...encounter the living God who in Jesus Christ reveals his transforming love and truth".



UPCOMING EVENTS - Term 3

SEPTEMBER

Tue 1	First Aid Course (Careers)	College Library	9.00am - 3.00pm
Fri 4	First Aid Course (Careers)	College Library	9.00am - 3.00pm
Thu 10	Year 7 Vision Screening	College Library	9.00am
Sat 12	Youth Mass	SFX Church	6.00pm
Tue 15	Year 11 MCAT External Exam	National Date	
Tue 15	Waikato University Liaison Visit	College Library	9.30am - 10.30am
Wed 16	Group/Sport Team Photos	College Hall	
Wed 23 - Thu 24	Forklift Truck Course	TBC	TBC
Wed 23	AUT Course Planning		11.20am - 12.20pm
Thu 24	Fiafia Fusion Evening	College Hall	4.30pm - 7.00pm
Fri 25	XOR	College Fields	
Fri 25	Last Day of Term 3	School finishes 3.00pm	

OCTOBER

Mon 12 Oct **First Day of Term 4**

School starts 8.45am

ATTENTION ALL BUS USERS!!

With most of our buses at capacity loads, we must **insist** that students only use the service they are entitled to use - please **do not** attempt to catch any bus other than the one indicated on your Student ID card. No pass, no ride. The Bus Company can refuse to carry a student who does not show their Student ID card.

If you are unsure which service your child is entitled to, please email: buses@pompallier.school.nz

PTFA GARAGE SALE

Due to the Covid-19 Alert Level restrictions, this event has been **postponed**. At this stage we have no confirmed new date, however we will notify our community once a decision is made.

FIAFIA FUSION NIGHT

Thursday 24 September

4.30pm - 7.00pm, College Hall

Our FIAFIA Fusion celebration is still on at this stage. However, due to Covid-19 and some concerns in our taura, we have decided to take away the 'competition' aspect of the night.

Each Year 7 & 8 class will have the opportunity to perform two items that they are learning in Māori Performing Arts. All whānau are welcome and encouraged to come along and support their Tamariki. Tickets can be bought from the front office.

In the event that we are still in Alert Level 2, the event will be cancelled, and tickets will be refunded..

2021 OPTION FORMS

Parents - please discuss subject selection with your child and ensure that their option form is completed and **returned by the due date: Seniors - 4th September, Juniors - 18th September**, so our timetable team can begin their organisation for next year.

If your child will not be returning next year, we still require the form back with this indicated. Thank you.

2021 CURRICULUM BOOK

The 2021 Curriculum booklet, which has detailed course information on subjects available next year, is now available to view on our website:

[2021 Curriculum Booklet](#)

If you have any queries please contact your child's Year Level Dean.

2021 ENROLMENTS

2021 Enrolment application packs are available from the College office, or on our website:

www.pompallier.school.nz

Non-Preference Enrolments close 4 September
Preference Enrolments close 21 September

For any enrolment queries please contact Kelli Adams:
admin@pompallier.school.nz



SPORTS DEPARTMENT NEWS : Term 1, Week 6

BASKETBALL RESULTS

All games postponed until Alert Level 1

FOOTBALL RESULTS

Competition games resume 26 August.

HOCKEY RESULTS

Mixed 1st XI

17 Aug vs Huanui Mixed XI lost 0 - 3
POD Lawrence Reade, FP Rose Martin

24 Aug BYE

Mixed 2nd XI

17 Aug vs Rodney
Game not played due to Covid travel restrictions

JMC A (Year 7 & 8)

14 Aug vs Matarau draw 2 - 2
POD Logan Limmer, FP Kayley France

21 Aug vs KIS Boys 1st XI lost 1 - 7

JMC B (Year 7 & 8)

7 Aug vs Undecided won 3 - 1
POD Julia Humby, FP Daniel Hugo

14 Aug vs Manaia Ahi won 6 - 1

21 Aug vs Horahora Maroon lost 1 - 3

NETBALL RESULTS

Collegiate Team 1

22 Aug vs WGHS 9-2 won 21 - 17

Collegiate Team 2

22 Aug vs Marist 4 won 22 - 17

Collegiate Team 3

22 Aug vs WGHS 9-3 lost 23 - 24

Intermediate Team 1

23 Aug vs KIS 7 won 35 - 1
POD Aria Armstrong, Harley Leafa, Helena lamafana, MVP Sookyung Lee, MIP Rose Shaji

SPORTS FEES - REMINDER

Please note that sports fees are an extra-curricular activity cost, which shows on your child's school account as a compulsory charge.

Sports fees MUST be paid separately to your school account (if you have a regular automatic payment to the school this will not be allocated to any sports costs).

We appreciate you attending to this as soon as possible.

ASB SECONDARY SCHOOLS SPORTS AWARDS - Thursday 22 October, McKay Stadium

Sport Northland, Northland Secondary School Sports

Association and ASB, are proud to present the 2020 ASB Northland Secondary School Sports Awards. These awards aim to recognise the sporting achievements of students from Northland Secondary Schools. It is an opportunity to showcase some of the amazing young people involved in sport.

If you are a Year 9-13 student, and you are competing in a Secondary Schools Sport at a high level, then you could be acknowledged for your achievements (at a high level would be getting placings and competing in representative events at regional/NZ level).

There are 18 sports codes listed this year, while others are nominated by regional sports associations; i.e. Football, Rugby, Netball, Hockey, Basketball and Swimming.

As well as playing performance, there is also a category to recognise those students who make a significant contribution to the betterment of sport, by personal commitment, either as an umpire, referee, or judge. Any students nominated for this will need to hold relevant qualifications from their code.

Sport Co-ordinators, Coaches, or parents, are encouraged to make nominations for our students.

The form is very easy to follow, however if you wish for me to complete a nomination for your child, then please contact me to discuss.

The period of achievement is to have occurred from 1st November 2019 to 19th October 2020.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE AT 12NOON ON WEDNESDAY 9th SEPTEMBER.

Links to the on-line nomination forms can be found below:

ASB NSS Sport Code Nominations: <https://bit.ly/3gQ9nyw>

ASB NSS Officials Nominations: <https://bit.ly/3kvxyVa>

Please contact me if you have any questions: scott.collins@pompallier.school.nz

STUDENT SUCCESSES

Aaron Furlong (Year 11) was awarded Junior Angler of the Year at Marsden Fishing Club. This is the third year in the row he has claimed the title. He has also won individual fishing prizes including Catch and Release for biggest Tarakihi in the Adult Section.



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