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**Dear Parents, Caregivers, students, friends and supporters of the College**

Kia ora koutou

### **Christ – The Light of the World**

As we celebrate the Fourth Week of Lent we are called to think of the unfortunate, innocent victims of conflict and war. Our Charism, **In the Way of Mary** reminds us to be supportive, caring and present to one another. The proceeds of the combined St John's - Sacred Heart Social this week will go to Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand, whose focus this year is to give money to the peace efforts in the Holy Land. So in our small way, we will be assisting those who live every day in a stressful and dangerous situation. Let us pray that we as a College, continue to grow in courage and compassion.

"I am the light of the world." John 8:12

God bless

**Religious Education Department**



It is difficult to believe that it is already week 9 in the school term!

I am pleased to report that the school roll has grown again this year and is at 735, up from 680 in 2011, and is at its largest in the history of Saint John's. It is important that our community is aware we have a maximum cap of 750 (set by the Ministry of Education) and it is quite possible that we will reach this cap in 2013. If this occurs we will be required to create a waiting list for any new students over this number. We strongly recommend that new enrolments for 2013 are in by the end of August to give the best chance of securing a place at Saint John's College. Our Board will need to establish criteria for allocating the limited places.

You will be aware that there are parent teacher interviews happening over the next two weeks. I encourage you to take the opportunity to meet face to face with your son's teachers. Having a positive and open relationship with the teachers and a common understanding of your son's needs are vital ingredients to his success. If you have a son who is sitting NCEA this year he will have sat some assessments by this stage. I encourage you to keep abreast of his progress and encourage him to keep track of his grades. There is a dedicated space in his homework diary for this. Most of these 'internal' standards can be reworked and resubmitted for better grades, resubmitting is one of the key things that successful students do.

As a proud catholic boys school Saint John's takes pride in its image and presentation. Please support us in ensuring that your son is meeting our expectations in regard to punctuality and uniform as outlined in the messages from the Deans contained later in this newsletter. How our boys present in the school and in public wearing our uniform is often what we as a school and community are judged on.

It is on a disappointing note that I mention the non-payment of school fees. To continue to offer a first rate education and upkeep our facilities to a high level we rely heavily on these funds. Currently there are a great many families who have not paid and this is impacting on the running of the college. It is possible that some parents have either forgotten or are yet to get around to bringing the money in, please make the effort that most other parents have to get this done.

By the time you are reading this newsletter we will have taken possession of the new school library. It is shaping up as an outstanding space and will double as our chapel during mass time. Feel free to contact me and have a look around the new space.

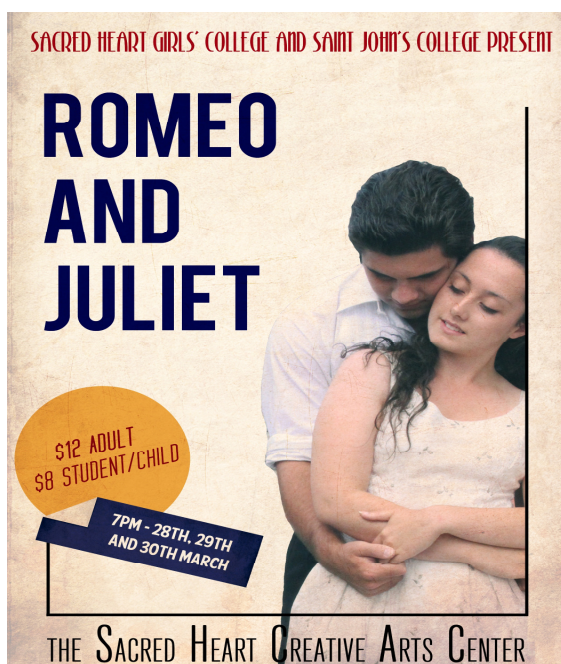
I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate **Justin Jang, Cory Miles** and **Andrew Flanagan** on their appointments as Head boys and Deputies respectively. It is a privilege to work with such fine young impressive men and they present exemplary role models to the rest of the school.

I continue to be impressed with the tone and settled nature of our school and I am happy to report that we are in good heart and have a settled and focussed environment.

**Shane Tong**  
**PRINCIPAL**

### TERM 2 CALENDAR

25 April	ANZAC Day
26 April	Y12 Tourism trip to Waitomo
30 <sup>th</sup> April	Winter Uniform changeover
10 May	Y13 Tourism trip to Rotorua
16 – 18 May	Senior Exams
4 June	Queen's Birthday
8 June	Marcellin Champagnat Day
15 June	Teachers Only Day
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Reports distributed / End of Term



Tickets are available at the Student Services Centre, St John's College.

## HEAD STUDENT

**Justin Jang**



Kia ora koutou

I have the privilege to be Head Boy of St. John's College for 2012 and I am looking forward to representing and supporting our school. Along with the support of Andrew Flanagan and Cory Miles as the Deputy Head Boys, we will lead the school in the way of our Catholic Charism with pride.

On Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2012, Cory, Andrew and I attended the Champagnat School Student Leaders Forum in Auckland. It was hosted by Sacred Heart College and Hato Petera College. The Forum was lead by Brother Terrence Costello and Mr Alan Parker. Brother Costello has previously been a Principal of our school and Mr Parker used to be the Director of Religious Education.

We were among forty other Marist school leaders from 10 other schools from around New Zealand. The purpose of the forum was to educate us on what a Marist leader represents and how we should lead our school. We learnt about the aspects of our Marist Charisms through activities such as trust exercises, sport exercises and the high ropes course, which was a highlight for all of us. Our family spirit was strong, especially during the evening at Long Bay, where we had dinner and bonded through song, dance and guitar playing. We studied New Zealand's rich Marist history, including significant people such as Jean-Baptiste Pompallier, Marcellin Champagnat and Mary Poynton, through the use of dramatic re-enactments. We enjoyed making connections with our fellow Marist brothers and sisters and achieved deep personal reflection during the weekend.

It was definitely a worthwhile experience and we have gained incredible insight and understanding of how to be a Marist leader.

## Mary Curran

Mary Curran started her time as Principal at St Catherine's College in Kilbirnie, Wellington on Monday, 12 March 2012. It was a wet and misty morning as a small group handed her over to the school. Local Catholic Principals were there to welcome her with Br Paul Martin (St Patricks – Town) blessing her on her arrival. It was good to see Teresa Cargo (Now Principal of Bishop Viard College) there to make Mary feel at home. Mary was made very welcome by everyone and has already settled in well to her new role.



*Mary Curran with St Catherine's Student Leaders receiving a blessing from Brother Paul Martin*

## School-links Communication Software – ‘Connecting Schools & Families’

Our school is now using **School-links** which will enable you to -

- Receive *time critical two-way txt and email alerts* for all general communications such as school closures, sport cancellations or ground changes, and in the event of an emergency
- Book your Parent-Teacher Interviews *online*
- Receive *txt and email alerts* if your student has not turned up to school
- Receive *newsletters and general notices online*
- Notify the school of *your student’s absence 24/7*

**TO REGISTER : Everyone will need to register and those who registered in 2011 will also need to re-register .**

Please go to [www.school-links.org.nz](http://www.school-links.org.nz) and select St John’s College, Hillcrest (must be as written or will not appear). Complete new user information and email. You will then receive a username and password

### REPORT EVENINGS

Reports were sent out today with your son. On the report there is an indication of the Parent Evenings when you can meet your son’s teachers. Parents may make the appointments through School Links.

**Senior Report Evening – Tuesday 27 March 2012 – 4-7pm**

**Junior Report Evening – Wednesday 4 April 2012 – 4-7pm**

### FROM THE DEANS

#### Lateness

We are having a real blitz on lateness.

***If your son is late three times he will make up the time with an afterschool detention.***

**All boys who are late must sign in at the Student Services Centre.**

Should there be a legitimate reason for the lateness your son must present a note from you to indicate the reason eg Doctors Appointment, Police closure of a road. Reasons which are not valid are: Slept in, traffic, bus was late, Orbiter was full. Students will not be penalised if there is a genuine reason the bus is late – the driver usually rings ahead and lets the school know of these situations. If boys leave the school for appointments they must also sign out at the Student Services Centre.

**Buses**

The Silverdale Bus students have often been late to school this year.

Students must get on the **8am** or **8.15am** bus. The 8.30am bus gets to school too late.

**Uniform****REMINDER to Parents/Students to name their uniform.**

We are getting quite a lot of unnamed uniform handed in. It would be most helpful if all your uniform could be named so that we can return it to the owners.

**Winter Uniform**

Winter Uniform changeover is the start of the second week of **Term 2 – 30 April 2012.**

During the first week of term 2 students may wear either full summer or full winter uniform but not a mixture of the two.

NB The Year 13 Winter Uniform is No 1s – White long sleeved shirt with school tie, dress black trousers and black leather lace up shoes, school jersey and/ or school blazer

**Hair**

Some of our men let themselves down with poor grooming. Hair needs to be short enough so that it is above the collar and certainly not over the eyes.

**Student Diaries**

We are concerned that boys are not getting into good habits of organisation. The school diary is there for boys to write in their homework and for communication between home and school.

Parents are urged to sign the diary each week to show they have seen any communications. Should there not be any homework written in please encourage your son to write it in the next week.

**Student Services – Doctor and Physiotherapist available**

Our Doctor, Tammy Wong is available to students 12:45-2:30pm each Tuesday in Student Services. Appointments should be made in advance with Reception at Student Services

A physiotherapist is available in Student Services:

Monday 11am-1pm  
and Thursday 11am-1pm

**STUDY SUCCESS**

Study Success has started up for the year. It is held in R02 on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting at 3:30 until 5:00pm. Things have changed this year so that a teacher who can give help in Maths and Science will be present on Tuesday while a teacher who can help in English and Social Science will supervise on Thursdays. Students are welcome to come to Study Success either afternoon regardless of what sort of homework they wish to work on. Students are able to work in small groups or individually. They can get help from the teacher or just work independently on their homework if they wish. Internet access is available on the computers in the room. If students would like help in some particular area they need to be prepared with some questions on which they are struggling. Please direct any questions you might have regarding the programme to Mr Tierney.

*Drew Tierney  
English Teacher and Year 13 Dean*

## ACADEMIC HONOURS 2011

Congratulations to **Thomas Scanlon** who gained NCEA Level 2 with Excellence and so gains Academic Honours.

## Update of Interhouse Competitions

	Chanel	Marcellin	Pompallier	Roncalli
Last Total	409	398	262	446
Swimming Sports	264	146	175	491
Updated Total	673	544	437	937

## Graphics Department

Graphics is a completely new subject to most of our year nine students and I have been really impressed at how quickly most have mastered the basics and are starting to develop really good Graphics skills.

In this section of work the students had to produce four individual pieces of work for assessment and I would like to congratulate the following students for gaining excellences in one or more of these. Many other students gained merit grades and they too are to be congratulated.

### 9 Option Q:

**Luis Boyd 2. Connor Brennan. Aldrich Cecilio. Jordan Deane. Campbell Joyes. Reef Matson 3. Benjamin Taylor 2. Alec Warren 2. Nathan Young 2.**

### 9 Option R:

**Hayden Bradburn. Liam Gilheany-Black 2. Braden Kay 3. Marcel Koning. Michael Lamb 3. Faitotoa Maka. Christian Picard. Logan Stevens. Courteney Stopforth 2.**

### 9 Option S:

**Joel Ban-Gibson. Blake Eaton. Ethan Hawkings. Adam Hollobon. Jarod Kilgour. Zack Krippner 2. Panashe Matadi. Joshua Robin. Luke Thompson. Ryan van der Valk.**

### 9 Option T:

**Alex Cochrane. Oliver James. Siosuia Kaho. Callum MacLeod 2. Liam Mc Gall 2. Jacob Patterson. Blair Voorend 2: Jodeci Waru-Savage.**

**Peter Hutchinson  
Head of Faculty Technology**

## STAFF PROFILE

## LOGAN ASPLIN



1. **Qualifications:** Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science, Post Graduate Diploma in Teaching
2. **Born:** and bred in Hamilton, educated at Hamilton Boys High School
3. **Subjects Taught:** This is my 3<sup>rd</sup> year teaching at St John's College. Teach Physical Education, Sport Institute, along with Junior Maths and Social Studies. Have also taught Religious Education.
4. **Interested in:** Surfing, Rugby, and all other Sports
5. **Interesting Things About Me:** Have been on 4 overseas surf trips to Indonesia, Father and Uncles were coached by Mr Mel Young as teenagers, Mother taught by Mr Norman Austin at school.
6. **Aspirations:** To coach Rugby professionally overseas, become HOF in Curriculum area and eventually be a Principal
7. **Claims to Fame:** 1<sup>st</sup> XV Rugby Coach, Only PE staff member under 100KG!?, NZ Harlequins Under 17 Rugby Manager, Sport Institute teacher.

## PROPOSED SJC/SHGC MUSIC TRIP TO USA in 2012

Music students from Sacred Heart Girls College and St John's College who are members of school groups such as the combined choir are invited to take part in the school music trip to New York, September/October 2012. The purpose of the trip is to promote the Colleges' music programmes, to provide rich learning opportunities and life experiences, and to further foster the association between SHGC and SJC and the wider Marist community. The cost of the trip is \$5,000 per participant. Parents and family members are also welcome to accompany the group. The trip will last 15 days with the group departing on Saturday 22nd September 2012 and returning to New Zealand on Sunday 7th October. That is, the last week of term three and the first week of the school holidays. Fundraising activities are underway with many more planned during the coming months. Anyone interested in taking part in this trip or assisting with fundraising should contact Mr Glen Parr as soon as possible.

## SPORTS NEWS

### ATHLETICS

Last weekend several of our boys competed in the Waikato Bay of Plenty Athletics zone finals. All the boys performed extremely well with the standouts being as follows;

<b>Cory Miles</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Senior Triple jump	<b>Conor Gyde</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Steeplechase
<b>Matthew Staijen</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Shotput	<b>Jacob Berry</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Intermediate Long jump
<b>Peter Mukusha</b>	finalist in the Senior 100 and 200		

These are some fantastic results showing a wonderful improvement on previous years.

## CRICKET

The Term competition is well under way with 8 teams in the various grades – a record for the school and the second highest entry number for any school in the Waikato behind Hamilton Boys' High School.

The 1<sup>st</sup> XI have had two worthy wins. The team defeated Cambridge by 21 runs defending a small total of 118 and demolished Morrinsville College, bowling them out for 52 in 16 overs and knocking off the runs in 4 overs. However batting remained a problem in the other 3 games vs St Paul's, Hillcrest and HBHS Development. The team is sponsored by the office and technology company RICOH and we are grateful for their support.

The two 2<sup>nd</sup> XI teams are finding the Division 2 competition difficult but each has recorded a win and getting good experience.

The Colts team is in a very competitive grade and their most notable game was against St Peter's, where they reached a target of 180 with the loss of only two wickets. The opening combination of Alex Clare and Connor O'Neill is very solid and looks like being a long term combination for the next four years. There have been useful efforts from Jack Cottrell, Matthew Fleck, Leroy Neels and Jacob Daly as well.

The Year 9 premier team have enjoyed their cricket and are playing well – only losing narrowly to Fraser High School side and defeating a Hamilton Boys' team comprehensively.

There are 3 Year 9 teams. The White team has won all their games with Liam Coombes-Fabling, Joshua Burgess and Marcel Koning getting runs and wickets. The Year 9 Gold team has also done well in a tough draw so far with Bradley Marama getting 65 against St Paul's. The Blue team has also had a tough draw but has won two games.

There is good parental support and coaching so the future looks bright for this Year 9 group.

## TENNIS

The Senior Tennis team competed in the Waikato/Bay tennis competition earlier this term. The team of Jack Guilford, Logan Walsh, Marc Glenister, and Ye Yan, competed well to finish with a ranking of third. This is impressive considering the area includes Waikato, Bay of Plenty, and the Hawkes Bay area.

Pictured is Ye Yan preparing to play a forehand winner over his opponent from Tauranga Boys College.

The team is competing in the local Waikato Secondary Schools championships as this newsletter goes to print. We will keep you posted as to their results.



## HOCKEY

Pre season training is well underway for the 2012 hockey season. There has been an increase in the numbers of players this year and we will enter 2 teams in the local competitions. Both teams are comprised of St John's College and Homeschool players. Coach Aaron Barnsdall is training the teams on Monday and Friday afternoons at school, and fitness training takes place at the Hamilton Lake on Wednesday after school. The boys are training hard and we look forward to a competitive season.

Season commences : Week of Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April.

### Fees:

We have kept the fees at the same rate as last year - \$225 for the season. A \$25 discount is available to students who pay prior to the end of Term 1 (April 5<sup>th</sup>). This fee does not include the cost of Tournament Week for the 1<sup>st</sup> XI.

### Fundraising:

The hockey committee is organising car parking on the school grounds for the **Balloons Over Waikato Night Glow** being held on **Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> March**.

We need parent support for this event. If you are able to assist, please email Peter McGirr or Adele Horrack [ahorrack@stjohns-hamilton.school.nz](mailto:ahorrack@stjohns-hamilton.school.nz)

We are also selling firewood and pinecones

**Firewood** – \$120 1.5m<sup>3</sup> trailer delivered free in Hamilton, \$25 rural delivery or free pickup.

**Pinecones** - \$10 bag

Contact [stjohnscollegeshockey@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnscollegeshockey@gmail.com) to place an order or phone Aaron 021 556 005 for more info.

## The future of New Zealand cycling...

Last year was an eventful one. Hayden McCormick (2007-2011) has continued to inspire us with his abilities. While his extensive training and competing have reaped their rewards, it has been well deserved. During 2011, Hayden has attained many accolades: New Zealand Secondary Schools Champion U17; Australian Road Cycling Champion U19; Australasian Road Cycling Champion U19; New Zealand Team World Junior Track Cycling Championships (Moscow) – 4<sup>th</sup> in the Points Race and the New Zealand Team World Junior Road Cycling Championships in Holland. We will be following his progress closely, so watch this space!

This is the tip of the iceberg for the talent and interest shown in cycling within the College. It is an exciting time, and with the

emerging talent developing, SJC is sure to turn heads in cycling in the years to come.



## Water polo

The senior round of water polo has started with St John's having 2 teams in the competition. The senior A team has had 2 loses, 1 Win and 1 draw so far, the senior B 2 loses. The senior A team were lucky to be invited over to Tauranga a couple of weekends ago to play against some different competition, even though they lost their games it was a great experience. Huge thanks to Mr Swney for organising this. Also a great thanks to our coaches this year, Aaron Hooper, James Grace and Tom Walker all ex students of the college, without these guys, water polo wouldn't go ahead.

## ROWING

The school rowing team competed at the North Island Secondary School Championships at Lake Karapiro recently. After some fantastically close racing the U18 Novice eight of **Jacob Gibb, Liam McGirr, Shaun Rowe, Luke Daniels, Daniel Benefield, Nathan Dunlop, Alex Herder, Matthew Smith**, and coxswain **Anthony Meehan** won a silver medal. The boys raced extremely well and lead the race of 1970 meters losing out to Napier Boys High School in one of the closest finishes of the day.

**Jacob Gibb, Luke Daniels, Shaun Rowe, Liam Herder**, and coxswain **Anthony Meehan** followed this up with a bronze medal in the four.

The Senior U18 Lightweight Four of **Kieran McGirr, Ryan King, Mitchell Cateley**, and Coxswain **Anthony Meehan** continues St John's fine run of form in this event with a hard fought silver medal.

The team now head to Twizel to compete in the NZSS Championships. We wish them a safe journey and fast racing for their events.

## 1<sup>st</sup> XV RUGBY

The 1<sup>st</sup> XV have continued on from their summer schedule training regime, moving into preseason and trial games. The summer training squad have had two recent hit outs which acted as trial games for the team, one a internal trial and the other versus Marist Under 21's. The first official game was a hit out against Hamilton Marist Under 21's, in which SJC fought hard to gain a 10-10 draw against a much larger Marist squad. The internal trial showcased some of St John's College rugby depth with 55 players trialling. Following these games, a squad of 23 has been named, which is listed below. Congratulations to the boys who were successful in making the squad, especially those who it is their first time in the 1<sup>st</sup> XV. Also a big thank you to those boys who missed out on the team who showed a committed and dedicated attitude to the summer training programme, you should be proud of your efforts.

### Saint John's College 1<sup>st</sup> XV Rugby 2012 Squad

<b>Mark Tyrell</b>	<b>Inoke Seviua</b>	<b>Peter Simeon</b>	<b>Zavion Porteous</b>	<b>Zach Kneebone</b>
<b>Shaun Rowe</b>	<b>Luke Davis</b>	<b>Lui Finau</b>	<b>Benjamin Greene</b>	<b>Samuel Walters</b>
<b>Matthew Staijen</b>	<b>Matthew Blackie</b>	<b>Bradley Morgan</b>	<b>Liam Prendergast</b>	<b>Karl Siteine</b>
<b>Dylan Bower</b>	<b>Samuel Cooper</b>	<b>Cory Miles</b>	<b>Eugene Koning</b>	<b>Sione Vakameilalo</b>
<b>Keagen Faria</b>	<b>Joe Tourelle</b>			

The 1<sup>st</sup> XV will be attending a Camp away on the Coromandel in a few weeks as well continuing their pre-season with games against St Peters Catholic from Auckland, clashing against St John's Hastings in the holidays as well as a tournament in Matamata. Term 2 things really begin to heat up as the squad contest both the Waikato Secondary Schools grading and Top 6 along with the Chiefs Cup: A new competition where the Top 8 schools from the Chiefs region (Waikato, Bay of Plenty and Counties) play against one another to find the best of the Chief Secondary Schools. St John's has been drawn to play St Peter's Cambridge at SJC for the first round.

## Swimming

Swimming sports were held in March this year and we have some promising young men swimming. Records were broken and made by juniors and seniors. We have lots of new swimmers in the school, so the junior races were quite exciting. Maxwell Stubbs Yr 9 student swam exceptionally well, especially just as he has just come back from NZ age groups held in Wellington the week before. Max broke 100m Breaststroke by 9 seconds, and set the new record for 100m Back stroke, 100 Butterfly, while David Harris set the record for 200m Freestyle.



11 boys went on to represent St John's in the Waikato Secondary Schools, we won some races, and were ranked very well in the rest of them. The school ended up being ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 24 boys schools in the Waikato.

## FOOTBALL

Now that the trials have taken place and all players have been carefully placed into their teams. Trainings have begun for most teams and the coaches & managers have had an informal get together to discuss the season ahead. This year we have over 120 players creating 4 Senior and 4 Junior teams. The discounted Fees are to be paid by the 30<sup>th</sup> March where registration only costs \$90. If paid after 30<sup>th</sup> March registration will cost \$110. All SJC Football players must wear the SJC Sports Socks which are available from the Teamwear store on the corner of Rostrevor & Tristram Streets for approximately \$15. Players in the Colts, 2<sup>nd</sup> XI, Senior Gold and Senior Social all need to pay a \$60 bond for gear which will be distributed. This bond will be refunded provided the uniform is returned in good condition by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September.

All players must complete a Registration Form, sign the Fair Play agreement, and indicate their medical history before they will be eligible to play for the College this year. Forms to be collected and returned to me asap.

Thank you very much in advance to the coaches & managers whom have volunteered their time and services for 2012. Without them teams cannot operate. **Thanks you to Graeme Roil – 1<sup>st</sup> XI Manager, David Stoevelaar & Keiran Frewen – 2<sup>nd</sup> XI Coaches, Leone House – 2<sup>nd</sup> XI Manager, Adam Pascoe – Senior Gold Coach, Julian Orange – Senior Gold Manager, Danny Hallen & Harry Teeuwen – Colts Coaches, Sandra Gordon – Colts Manager, Blair Aberhart – Pillars Coach, Harnesh Prasad – Saints Coach, Kathy Schruers – Saints Manager, Brendan Madley & Duncan Wilcox – Eagles Coaches, and Sandy Turner – Eagles Manager.**

The majority of teams will train off site either at Clyde Park or Hillcrest Park which has been hired for Tuesday or Thursdays. Trainings will take place after-school (3:30-5pm) and on a day that is convenient for coach and players.

The 1<sup>st</sup> XI have been involved in plenty of pre-season training and are participating in a Team building weekend this weekend (24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> March) held at the College. The players will be divided into teams and are to complete set tasks that require them to communicate, co-operate & problem solve. Weather permitting it will be a very successful weekend where all involved should enjoy it, even myself. The 1<sup>st</sup> XI will also be involved in the Western Heights Pre-season Tournament over the weekend of the 30<sup>th</sup> March – 2<sup>nd</sup> April hoping to do well and start the season successfully. This tournament will be a good chance for the team to try out new formations and for players to cement their spot in the side. The 1<sup>st</sup> XI will also host St John's College – Hastings with the annual sports exchange over the Easter period.

It is expected that all players conduct themselves in a respectful and considerate way at all times towards fellow players, opposition, coaches, managers, & officials and adhere to the Fair Play Charter. Players are to inform coaches if they cannot attend any trainings, meetings or games. Failure to do so will result in that player being stood down from playing Football.

## NOTICES

16 February 2012

To all schools, early child care centres and Kohanga reo

**Re: Pertussis (Whooping Cough)**



**THIS IS A REMINDER TO ALL SCHOOLS, PRESCHOOLS AND THEIR STUDENTS, PARENTS AND CARERS**

New Zealand is experiencing an increase in pertussis (Whooping Cough) cases, in particular the upper South Island and lower North Island, since late last year. As a result of this we are expecting to see increased cases here in the Waikato over the next few months.

Whooping cough can be severe in infants and young children and can be very dangerous in young babies. It is easily spread, and it is possible that there may be cases of this illness already existing in your school or childcare. Exclusion of cases may be required to prevent ongoing spread.

### **Symptoms**

Whooping cough is not always easy to recognise, and symptoms can vary according to the age of the person affected. Usually in the early stages the signs and symptoms can be similar to a common cold and include a runny nose, sneezing, low-grade fever, and a mild cough.

The most common symptom is continuous, rapid coughing often characterised by a high pitched whoop. The whoop is not generally seen in infants or adults. Young babies often do not have the "whoop", but may stop breathing during coughing. The cough may persist for up to three months.

The disease is usually milder in adolescents and adults than younger children, consisting of a persistent cough similar to that found in other upper respiratory infections. However, these individuals are still able to pass the disease to others, including unimmunised or incompletely immunised infants.

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I would like to support  
the following school:

## Can I keep the same telephone number?

Yes, you are able to keep your current telephone number.

## What do I have to do each month to reward my school?

Other than being a TelstraClear customer, absolutely nothing! TelstraClear will take care of everything and notify **Intelligent Rewards** how many points your nominated school of choice are to receive. These points will then accumulate with other parents contributions for your school.

### **Which communication services can my school get rewarded for?**

Any services that you subscribe to on the TelstraClear network will earn **Intelligent Rewards** points, including Line Access, Tolls, Broadband and even Mobile. So the more services you consolidate with TelstraClear, the more points you can earn for your nominated school.

### **Does it cost me anything extra on my account?**

No, there will be no extra cost for you or your school.

### **What can my school use the points for?**

**Intelligent Rewards** points help your school extend their budget, and can be used for a number of different products including, computers, projectors, televisions, sports equipment, even school trips and much more.

### **Does it cost me anything to switch telephone companies?**

No, there is no cost to you to switch your home phone provider to TelstraClear. The process to change is as easy as one phone call (at a convenient time for you) from a TelstraClear representative to confirm your details.

### **How many points will my school get?**

Your school will earn 1.5 points for every dollar you spend with TelstraClear. i.e., a monthly home phone bill of \$100 will earn your school 150 points.

### **I have children at more than one school, can I nominate more than one school to receive points from my account?**

You can nominate only one school to receive the points.

### **How can I find out about the TelstraClear services?**

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