



Term 1 | Week 3
16 February 2022



St Albans Catholic School Newsletter

VIRTUE: MANATIKA PĀPORI: SOCIAL JUSTICE

I act with social justice when I show fairness, equity and respect for human dignity and the rights of all living things. I am hospitable and show courage when I speak up for the needs and rights of others.

Calendar:

February

17 Board Meeting
25 Yr 4-6 Swimming Sports

March

02 Ash Wednesday
24 Year 6 Cycle Safety
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28 Swimming Lessons begin

ABSENCES:

I would like to remind our school community that if your child/ren are presenting signs of being unwell (runny nose, coughing, sneezing etc), please keep them at home. Please remember that if your child is not attending school contact the office either by phone or email

LEARNER QUALITY: HIGH ACHIEVER

I am a high achiever who strives for personal excellence across all areas of my life. I understand the need for **goal setting**, effective self-management skills and **diligence**. I value competitiveness in both myself and against others and **accept challenges** and disappointments as positive learning opportunities.

Tēna koutou katoa, Kamusta, Talofa lava and Greetings

Covid-19 Update

With the number of Omicron cases increasing in our communities, the Government has announced that New Zealand will move to Phase 2 of the Omicron response. In Phase 2, cases of Omicron have spread in the community, and we need to minimise and slow further spread.

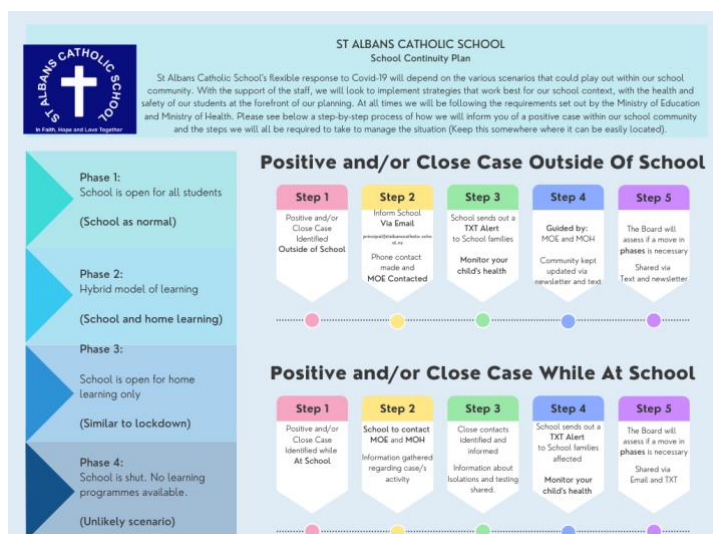
This means changes for:

- case investigation and contact tracing
- isolation and quarantine
- health and social support – care in the community.

Things you can do to protect yourself through all phases

- Continue to mask, scan and pass wherever you go.
- Maintain good hygiene and physical distancing.
- Stay home if unwell.

We are working on the best form of communication for our families to make this seamless if we are required to inform our community about anything. We hope to test emails via class groups of parents and text messaging through our School Management System early next week. We will notify you, so you are able to let us know if this works.



DRAFT PLAN – TO BE FINALISED AND PUBLISHED SHORTLY

Have you
downloaded our
school app yet?




Never miss important
school information

again!

- ✓ Events
- ✓ Notices
- ✓ Instant school messages
- ✓ Absentee 
- ✓ Newsletters
- ✓ Permission slips



Simple free download:
In the Play Store and
App Store search
'Skool Loop'
and choose our school
once installed. 



MacFarlane Touch

We have been notified that the remainder of the touch season has been cancelled.

MacFarlane Touch would like to thank you for your continued support and patience over this season, under ever changing covid-19 restrictions, we hope to be back up and running in Term 4.

Events and Activities

Upcoming Events

This term we have our Year 4 to 6 Swimming Sports and the school swimming programme at Jellie Park. We have not made a decision about postponing these activities as we are waiting on the providers to share their procedures at Red Setting. The dates for these activities can be found on the school calendar. When we have further information, this will be shared with our community.

Special Character



20 Cent Tuesdays ~ On Tuesdays, the children are encouraged to bringing 20 cent coins donate to Caritas (Caritas Aotearoa NZ *is* the **New Zealand Catholic Bishops' agency for justice, peace and development.**)

Ideally, they will be generous with their own money or undertake extra chores at home to earn money to share.

This Term our donations will be going to the Caritas Pacific Relief Fund, to help with the aftermath of the volcanic eruption in Tonga.

Donations can also be made to Caritas online through the Pacific Relief Fund (www.caritas.org.nz/donate-online)



Te Reo Māori

Karakia

Here is another Karakia to learn with your children.

E te Atua
I tēnei wā
Kia tau Tō rangimārie
ki runga I ngā iwi
o te Ao.

Amine

O Lord
At this time
Let Your peace
descend upon the world
Peoples of the world.

Amen

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Garden Club

Welcome to 2022 in the garden!!!

How wonderful to have 39 enthusiastic volunteers this term and a warm welcome to our first timers.

Already the children have been busy with groups tidying various playground areas of bark and leaf-fall, harvesting the corn (and eating it too) and clearing the corn bed.

I look forward to working with them all as we plant new crops and maintain our green spaces.

Mrs Ryan-Yates

Catholic Parish of Christchurch North



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Pope Francis wants to hear from you!

You are invited to attend a small group guided reflection process for our first parish synod session.

Wednesday 16th February @ 7.30pm at Christ the King Pastoral Centre.

Vaccine pass required event and RSVP to Kaelyn due to 30 person limit at youth@christchurchnorth.org.nz

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IMPORTANT:

The following have been sent home or emailed. Please complete as soon as possible.

- Family Information Contact Form (Paper copy)
- EOTC Permission Form (Emailed)
- Digital Device Consent Form / Student Information Consent Form (Emailed)

The link is <https://forms.gle/sfgQjxV8MEVcEwu48>