



POMPALLIER CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Te Kāreti Katorika o Pomapārie

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

Newsletter 7 : 24 May, 2024

Tēnā Koutou Katoa, Greetings to you,

What a whirlwind, but a very welcoming whirlwind. I am now concluding my third week as Acting Principal. Some days, I have felt like a meercat, with my head swiveling in all directions, as I come to grips with what is Pompallier Catholic College and how it operates.

The welcome from both the staff and students has been very warm and even effusive in many instances. During my walks around the grounds I have sometimes felt like I'm in the middle of a paparazzi melee, as numerous students have come up to shake my hand and introduce themselves. It has been delightful.

The staff have been very forbearing as they have had to cope with my endless questions as I navigate new systems and different ways of doing things.

In this whirl of introductions, we have had a farewell. Last week, Mrs Monica Johnson's role as Acting Deputy Principal came to an end. We have been very fortunate to have had her wisdom and experience this year, and thank her immensely for her work in supporting our leadership team, staff and students.

Monica will still be part of the College for a few more months, as Facilitator for the new Principal appointment process.

I feel very privileged to have been entrusted with leading the College during this process of finding a permanent leader.

To enable me to develop a learning relationship with this Pompallier community, it is always good to know a little about people and who they are.

So, I would like to introduce myself to you: I am first and foremost a learner. I have been professionally involved in education for over 30 years. My specialist teaching subject was English and so reading is a real passion. I have been a senior leader in four different schools, all but one Catholic. I have been a Principal in two Catholic schools for over 13 years, most recently Carmel College in Milford, Auckland.

I look forward to working with the College over the next three terms to continue to support the Special Character and all that is wonderful and unique about Pompallier.

"Education is not about knowing things or taking lessons but about being able to use three lingos: those of the head, the heart, and the hands... learning so that you can think about what you feel and do, can feel what you think and do, and can do what you feel and think. Unity within a person." Pope Francis

Ms Chris Allen
ACTING PRINCIPAL

2025 ENROLMENTS

Preference enrolment applications for 2025:

Open on Tuesday 4 June

Close on Friday 2 August

It is advisable that Parents/Caregivers read our current [Enrolment Policy](#) and [2025 Enrolment Process](#) document prior to applying.

Enrolment application forms are available at the College office, on our [website](#), or you can request a pack to be posted to you by phoning the office on 09 438 3950.

Note: Enrolment application forms have been posted direct to Parents/Caregivers of Year 6 students currently attending St Francis Xavier Catholic School.

Unfortunately, we will be unable to offer places to Non-Preference students in 2025.

For any enrolment queries, please contact Kelli Adams: 09 438 3950 ext 201, or admin@pompallier.school.nz

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 2

NOTE: All events are subject to confirmation.

MAY

Mon 27 - Tue 28	Chainsaw Course	Pompallier	8.45am - 3.00pm
Tue 28 - Wed 29	NorthTec Barista Course, Group 1	NorthTec	9.00am - 3.00pm
Wed 29	Senior Business Studies Hansen Factory Visit		1.30pm - 3.00pm
Fri 31	NorthTec Hair & Beauty Taster Course	NorthTec Campus	9.00am - 2.30pm

JUNE

Mon 3	KING'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	School closed for instruction	
Tue 4 - Wed 5	NorthTec Barista Course, Group 1	NorthTec	8.30am - 3.00pm
Thu 6	ShowQuest	Forum North	10.45am - 8.30pm
Fri 7	STAFF ONLY DAY	School closed for instruction	
Fri 7	NorthTec Hair & Beauty Taster Course	NorthTec Campus	9.00am - 2.30pm
Fri 7	NorthTec Basic Meats Course	NorthTec Campus	9.00am - 3.00pm
Tue 11 - Wed 12	NorthTec Flight Attending Course	NorthTec Campus	9.00am - 3.00pm
Wed 12	Pompallier Speech Competitions	Library	9.20am - 11.10am
Fri 14	NorthTec Hair & Beauty Taster Course	NorthTec Campus	9.00am - 2.30pm
Fri 14	NorthTec Basic Meats Course	NorthTec Campus	9.00am - 3.00pm
Tue 18	Girls in Infrastructure Event	Semenoff Stadium	9.30am - 2.30pm
Wed 19	TAS Jazz Performance	College	2.10pm - 3.00pm
Fri 21	NorthTec Basic Meats Course	NorthTec Campus	9.00am - 3.00pm
Wed 26	Pompallier Day - College Mass & Fiafia Matariki		TBC
Thu 27	E-Mission Day	Pompallier	
Fri 28	MATARIKI PUBLIC HOLIDAY	School closed for instruction	
JULY			
Tue 2	Parent Teacher Interviews	In-person, College	3.30pm - 7.00pm
Wed 3	Parent Teacher Interviews	On-line	3.30pm - 7.00pm
Fri 5	College Ball	TBC	
Fri 5	STAFF ONLY DAY (Last day of Term 2)	School closed for instruction	
Mon 22	First Day of Term 3		

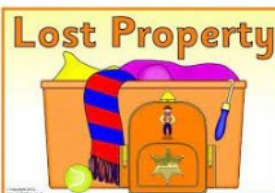


Remember, if you have a student success you would like to share, email us at ...

newsletter@pompallier.school.nz

2024 TERM DATES

TERM 1	Wednesday 31 January	Fri 12 April
TERM 2	Mon 29 April	Fri 5 July
TERM 3	Mon 22 July	Fri 27 September
TERM 4	Mon 14 October	Fri 13 December



LOST PROPERTY !!!

We have an enormous amount of lost property at our Student Centre.

Parents, if your child has lost an item, please ask them to pop into the Student Centre during their break to have a look through what has been handed in.

Also, this is a timely reminder to **please name your child's school uniform**. That way, if it lands up in our lost property, we can quickly return it to it's owner.

Thank you!



SPORTS DEPARTMENT NEWS :

POMPALLIER CROSS COUNTRY

Cross Country was a hit this week, with a considerable increase in participation from previous years!

Congratulations to all of our year level winners below!

The top 3 runners of each age group will be contacted in the coming weeks to participate in the Secondary Schools and WPSSA Cross Country.

We have included some pictures from the day on the following page.

- **Year 7 Girl** Ayla Dyer
- **Year 7 Boy** Ifeoluwa Falope
- **Year 8 Girl** Lana Johnston-McCluskey
- **Year 8 Boy** Jacob Lawson
- **Year 9/10 Junior Girl** Summer Roberts
- **Year 9/10 Junior Boy** Ronel Shaji
- **Senior Girl** Ayla Johnson
- **Senior Boy** Adrian Parkinson-Gilmour

House Results

- 1st **AUBERT (1380)**
 2nd **TATE (1151)**
 3rd **COLIN (1069)**
 4th **CHAVOIN (912)**

STUDENT SUCCESSES

Netball

Congratulations to **Jacinta Moors-Lemana (Year 13)** on making the Northland Under 18s Netball Squad for 2024.

UPCOMING EVENTS - TERM 2

All events entered are subject to student interest, parent help and organiser's changes.

- Tue 28 May Mixed Volleyball (Y11-13) *McKay Stadium*
- Tue 25 June NSSSA Cross Country Champs *Barge Park*

KEEP UP-TO-DATE WITH SPORTS AT POMPALLIER...

[Add us on Facebook](#) for all sporting communication for PCC! Not on Facebook? – no worries – all important information will still be posted internally through email and school notices!

Sam Page
SPORTS CO-ORDINATOR
 438 3950 Ext 219
sports@pompallier.school.nz

Health New Zealand Te Whatu Ora

Knowing if a child is well enough to be at school

Health New Zealand - Te Whatu Ora has released guidance for parents and caregivers on when it is okay for a child to still be at school and when an unwell child should be at home.

You can view this guidance [here](#).

VIEWING STUDENT INFORMATION

Our KAMAR Parent Portal allows parents to access some of the records we have for your child, like attendance, timetable, results/reports etc.

Click [here](#) to be directed to the log-in page. Log on using your child's name: firstnamedotlastname (eg: fred.flinstone) and your Caregiver password.

If you have not used this portal previously, please phone the College office to request the Caregivers logon password. We will email this to the registered email address we have on our system for you.

ATTENTION BUS USERS!!



All students have been issued with a Student ID card, which shows which bus they are eligible to catch.

Students should not be catching any bus other than the one indicated on their card, as all our buses are at capacity and the loadings have been calculated carefully.

We operate a "No Pass No Ride" policy. If a student is unable, when asked, to produce the correct pass for that bus, they may be refused travel and have to make their own arrangements.

A reminder that the Ministry of Education provides buses to the students place of residence only, **not** their after school activities. When students hop on a bus that they are not eligible to catch, it creates loading issues and safety concerns. Any student found abusing bus privileges may be removed from the bus and have to make their own arrangements.

Variances to student travel may be made in **emergencies** only, and must be approved by our Bus Co-ordinator.

Students are also able to access 2 fare-paying services - Normans Route 1 and the Citylink-Maunu service.

If you have any queries relating to bus transport, please contact our Bus Co-ordinator, Michelle Lawson, via email: buses@pompallier.school.nz, or call Becky in the Student Centre: 09 438 3950 ext 202.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.



POMPALLIER CROSS COUNTRY





NATIONAL NETWORK OF MARIST SCHOOLS ...

On the weekend of 4 – 6 May, we had the pleasure of hosting the Marist Network's Care of Young Leader's Forum at our College.

The leaders and Principals from each of the nine network schools spent the weekend taking part in seminars, enjoying manaakitanga, taking in the sites of Whangārei and attending the Miha Māori Mass at St Francis Xavier.

The National Network of Marist Schools was launched in 2005 and led by Father Mark Walls, and he still has this important role today. Its aim was to help each Marist school in the Network to become even more authentically Catholic, now that the professed Marists have left. While they lived out the Marist Charism, they never really articulated what it meant.

The nine member schools in the Network are: Pompallier Catholic College, Whangārei; Marist College, Auckland; St John's College, Hastings; Cullinane College, Whanganui; Hato Pāora College, Feilding; St Patrick's College, Silverstream; St Patrick's College, Wellington; St Bede's College, Christchurch and Roncalli College, Timaru.

While the National Network of Marist Schools is an independent body, it continues to receive significant support from the Society of Mary Administration. The Network is served, for example, by the Young Marists, a team trained in leadership, communication and social justice. They provide a variety of programmes, both in-school and out-of-school, for students and staff from the Network. Marist Youth Leader is one of these programmes.

Monica Johnson
ACTING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL





NATIONAL NETWORK OF MARIST SCHOOLS contd ...

We are very grateful to the wonderful hospitality team who provided outstanding manaakitanga throughout the weekend: Students - Jorja Charles, Alys Finchett, Malachi Flower, Samantha Frank, Aaron Halaapiapi, Eden Hales, Fraya Hardy, Kawiti Lyndon, and Staff - Denise Finchett, Julie Hamilton, Nicky Hurley, Joy Jackson and Katrina Perry.





CAREERS ROADSHOW 2024 ...

Earlier in Term 1 we had another very successful Careers Roadshow. With nearly 40 providers making the arduous trip diverted around the Brynderwyns, a highlight for some was seeing the beautiful Langs Beach and Waipu Cove for the first time!!!

Our students made the most of the time with our providers, asking questions and checking out some of the activities at different stations – the vertical jump and press up tests at the NZ Police stand was very popular!! Time flew by and lunchtime, which usually gives the providers a little lull, failed to happen as the students all came back for more, some missing the bell for period 5!

All the providers enjoy spending time with our students as they are so respectful and engage freely with interesting questions, really wanting information.

All these experiences just open our students' eyes to the opportunities out there and I have had some wonderful conversations with students since the Roadshow – really thinking about the 'how' can I get there? Which is what it is all about.

If your child has any questions about what to do after leaving school, or if you have a question – feel free to ring the school and make an appointment to see me, or email me on: julie.hamilton@pompallier.school.nz

Mrs Julie Hamilton
CAREERS ADVISOR





Whangārei

Young Choral Singers Workshop & Concert

*An afternoon for young singers from school and
community choirs to connect, rehearse and
perform together.*



Conductor:
David Squire

Guest Choir:
Auckland Youth Choir
Chamber Singers

Community Concert:
Saturday 25 May, 5pm
Pompallier Catholic College
Entry by koha

Keen to sing with us?
Email sam@ayc.org.nz