

St Anne's Catholic School

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THOUGHTS

Everyone I meet seems to ask me what I have planned for my retirement. My stock answer is that I am to have a gap year and following that, another!

My niece, a doctor, was also joining in with the 'What are you going to do?' brigade. Her response really pulled me up.

"Uncle Pete, the research shows retired people who have no plans live shorter lives." I sure am planning now!

This has a lot of relevance to us as parents. Planning food for the week, budgets for expenses and planning events are all ways to make life easier for us and our children.

I was sharing this wisdom with Room 6 and they could see how this skill could make success and happiness easy to achieve.

Please join us for the athletic sports on Friday if you are free.

Kind regards

Peter Callanan (Principal)

COMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 21 School Athletics 11am-12.30pm
- 23 Parish & School Mass
- 27 Mufti Day
- 28 JNS Assembly Assembly & Mass Rm 6

DECEMBER

- 3 Canty Athletics Champs
- 4 Mufti Day
- 5 Mr C's farewell
- 8 Yr 8 leavers Dinner
- Rm 4 & 5 class trip Yr 8 Retreat
- 12 School Picnic
- 15 Prize Giving Mass
- 16 Rm 1 & 2 Christmas Concert 2.15pm
- 17 School Finishes following final assembly 11-12noon

Mufti Day

Thursday, 27 November.

Each class is asked to bring an item for the Christmas Hamper Raffle. Thanks for your support.

Parents & Friends Assn-

THANK YOU to all the parents who helped us have such an enjoyable day at the A&P Show.

Room 1 & 2

- **Rm 1** Cans/Jars of food or Xmas **Item**
- Rm 4 Novelty or Xmas Item
- **Item**
- Rm 2 Laundry, Bathroom or Xmas Rm 5 Cans/Bottled Drink or Xmas Item

Rm 6 Biscuits, Snacks or Xmas Item

Altar Servers

Sat 29 Nov 6.00pm

- 1. Alice Sparks
- 2. Lucy Sparks

Sun 30 Nov 10.30am

- 1. Lingas Fido
- 2. Asa TiaTia
- 3. Samoaotearoa Fido

Sunday 16 November GOSPEL READING - Matt 25:14-30

Last Sunday's Gospel reading was a parable told by Jesus to the disciples to explain to them what the kingdom of heaven is like. The focus was using our gifts or talents, and the responsibility we have to do so.

REFLECTION AND ACTION-WEEK 6

It can be difficult for people who are poor to use their talents. Shortage of time, tiredness, inadequate knowledge, and lack of networks can all play a part in keeping people in the position they are in.

How do you use your talents to improve your qualifications if you have to work two low paid jobs just to survive?

Our talents are gifts to the community. We need to support one another in using the talents that God has given us.

Faith Facts

Pope Francis invites us all to share the joy of God's gift of the Gospel to others. The quotes this term will be from the beginning pages of Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis –Evangelii Gaudium, the Joy of the Gospel

A reminder that the entire document can be found at - http://vatican.va/evangelii- gaudium/en/index.html

Christ is the "eternal Gospel" (Rev 14:6); he "is the same yesterday and today and forever" (Heb 13:8), yet his riches and beauty are inexhaustible. He is forever young and a constant source of newness. (EG 11)



Baptism and First Holy Communion at Parish and School Mass.

This Sunday the following children are being baptised and making their First Holy Communion during the Parish and School Mass.

Laverton, Letone and Salu Loto, Gracyn and Ashlyn Hensley-Smith, and Naomi-Clare and Noella Lene.

Sam Osborn and Charlie Taylor will also be making their First Holy Communion.

Please pray for them and their families on their journey of faith. We hope to see all of you at this special celebration on Sunday. Mass starts at 10.30am in St John's Hall.

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Junior Neighbourhood Support



Canterbury

Please acknowledge our students who prove to be good neighbours acting in ways that would most definitely make Jesus happy. Nominate any child who deserves an award for being an outstanding citizen at school, home or in your community. Nominations close on Monday 24 November.

Andrea Haberfield will be at our school assembly at 9am on Friday 28 November to give out awards. We hope there will be some recipients. Forms are available from the school office or Mrs Reddy.