

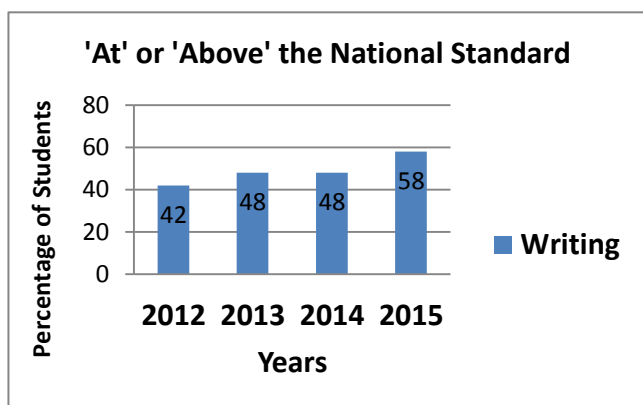
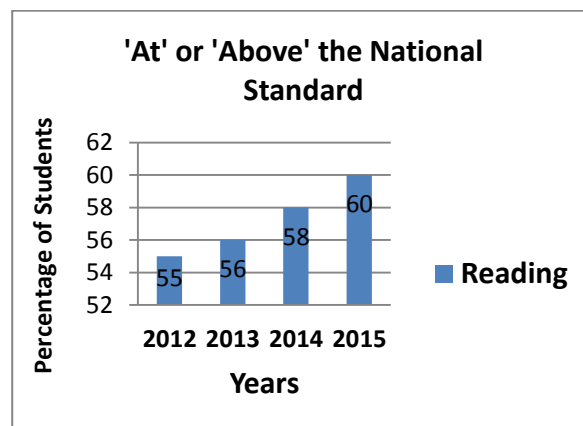
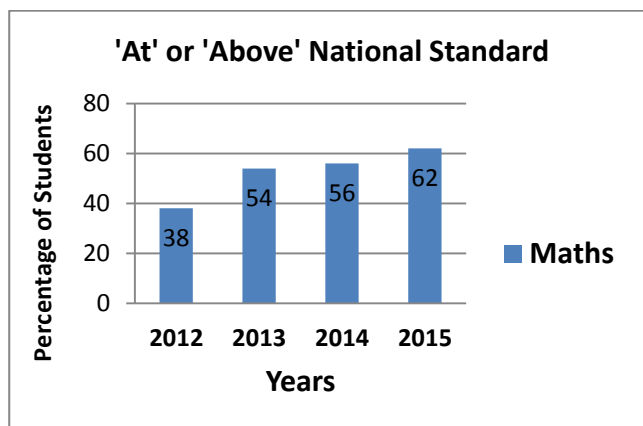


Dear Parents and Caregivers

Kia ora, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Bula vinaka, Warmest Greetings to you all.

It is with sadness we heard last week that **Fr Felise** lost his sister suddenly in Samoa and so he has been away for the last ten days or so. Please remember Father in your prayers, at this time. Father Felise should be back in Glen Innes by this weekend.

We continue to have a great start to the year. The children are happy, the staff are working hard and there is a very positive buzz around the school. I have just sent our achievement results from last year to the Ministry of Education which shows we are continuing to make progress on our overall school achievement levels, in each of the National Standards areas of **Reading, Writing and Mathematics**. I have included below graphs that show the progress achieved over the last 4 years, which is very pleasing. I have also included our school targets for this year, which we will all have to work together to achieve.



This year our goal is to lift the percentage of children achieving 'At' or 'Above' the National Standard to **65%** in each learning area.

This will be a real challenge and it will take a huge effort from the teachers, the students and the parents to make it happen. This means we have to achieve progress much greater than the National norms overall. Our Manaiakalani Community of Learning (CoL) has set the goal of every child making 18 months progress in 12 months. We can do it, but parents **must** help.

During the year there will be numerous chances

to actively get involved at school with your children's learning.

All parents need to take every opportunity to ensure the most learning happens, every day.

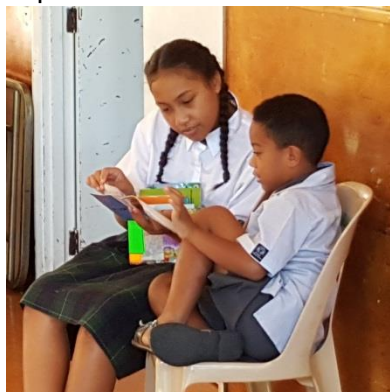
A few simple things:

1. Children **must** attend every day on time and be ready to learn.
2. Children **must** complete all home learning, when required. Parents **must** check!
3. Parents **must** look at and comment on your child's blog or their class blog, regularly.

**NB**

**Teachers Only Day Next Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March.** There will be no classes as all the teachers will be joining with other teachers from our Cluster on a training day at Stonefield's School looking at Innovative Teaching Practises to cater for our twenty-first century learners.

**Buddy Reading** has started with senior students spending a few minutes several times each week working with our junior students helping them with their reading. The benefit of this is just as important for the senior students as for their little buddies. It's win/win and great!



### Rugby on Saturdays

The rugby development officers from both the University and Marist Rugby Clubs have visited the school recruiting players for the coming season. Players please see Mr Coakley for details or parents call the clubs directly. Rugby Sponsorships are available, if required.



### Calendar of Events

Please check the Calendar of Events below and diary the main dates such as parent evenings and special school functions where you are invited to attend. We need to work together to give our children the best opportunities for success that we can.

### Catholic High School Open Days

**Sacred Heart College – Wednesday 9 March 12.00pm. Enrolments close Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April.**

**St Mary's College – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 6.30pm. Enrolments close 25<sup>th</sup> March.**

**Marcellin College – Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March Tours at 11.00, 1.30 and 6.30pm.**

Last week all our Year 4 students received a beautiful Illustrated Dictionary donated by the Rotary Club of St John's. **Mrs Michele Mann** visited **Room Four** and **Mr Gaffney** again this year, to give out these wonderful learning tools.







**Kiwisport this term involves Tennis for the senior classes and Gymnastics for the Junior classes.**

### **Fitness**



The children have also been working on their 'Fitness' several times each week to start the day. It is great to see the older leaders organising the groups and catering for all levels of ability and age. A circuit has been set up where the children rotate between the different stations so they start the day energised, happy and ready to learn. This will continue while the weather is fine and the fields are not too soft or muddy.

### **Breakfast Club**

Over the last few years we have run a successful Breakfast Club each morning at school. This has only been successful because a small group of parents have been happy to give up one hour once a week to make it happen. It is very easy but just requires a commitment to come each week on your day. We try to have two parents on each day to share the load. We are looking for a few more parents to join the roster so please call the school office if you can help. It is a great way to support our school and meet other parents.

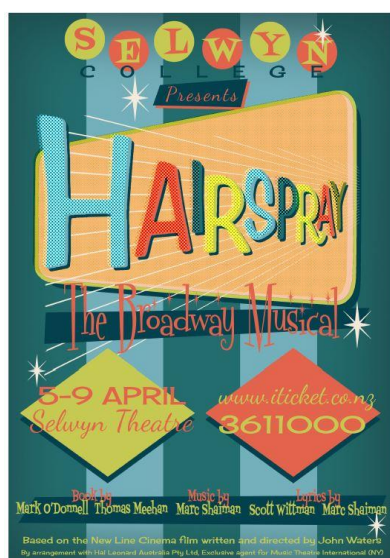
**"Many hands make breakfast easy!"**

# Term 1 2016

March 2016				
7 <b>Week 6</b> <b>Ako Fakataha</b> Programme Launch. 6.00pm	8	9	10	11 Whole School Stations of the Cross 12.30pm
14 <b>Week 7</b> RE Focus Jesus Strand Last week Tennis Life Ed Caravan	15 Life Ed Caravan	16 Life Ed Caravan	17 Whole School Mass Soul Friends St Patrick's Day Life Ed Caravan	18 <b>Teacher Only Day</b> <b>No classes today</b>
21 <b>Week 8</b> RE Focus <b>Holy Week / Easter</b> BOT Meeting 7.00pm	22	23	24 Holy Thursday Liturgy	25 Good Friday Holiday
28 <b>Week 9</b> Easter Monday Holiday	29 Easter Tuesday Holiday	30 Immunisations Year 7/8 Girls	31	
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4 <b>Week 10</b>	5	6	7	8
11 <b>Week 11</b> <b>R.E. Focus</b> Holy Spirit Strand	12	13	14	15 Last Day of Term

## Don't Forget . . .

Please help your child to make sure their uniform is clearly named so it is easy for us to return if found. All children need to wear a hat when playing outside during Terms 1 and 4. School hats are available through our school office and every child will need their own school hat. Alternative hats will **not** be accepted this year. Sandals should be worn in Terms 1 and 4, although children may wear sports shoes if playing on the courts or field. They must not be worn to or from school.



From 1 April, Tāmaki Housing will manage all social housing in Glen Innes, Panmure and Point England.

**TĀMAKI HOUSING**

If you have any questions about what is happening, come and have a chat with the team at one of the drop in sessions below:

**Every Thursday in March**  
11.30am – 1.30pm,  
TRC Marquee  
Mayfair Place, Glen Innes

**Monday 14 March**  
3.00pm – 6.00pm,  
Te Whare Piringa,  
29 Fenchurch St,  
Glen Innes

**Wednesday 23 March**  
4.30pm – 6.30pm,  
Panmure Library,  
7-13 Pilkington Rd,  
Panmure

You can also find us at the TRC office, 244 Apirana Ave, Glen Innes, free phone 0800 521 555 or visit [tamakiregeneration.co.nz](http://tamakiregeneration.co.nz)