



OUR SCHOOL VISION

Students at St Pius X Catholic School will have faith in their ability as future focussed learners, seeking and using knowledge actively, to fulfill their personal best in HOPE and relate to their world through their loving relationship with God.

Dear Parents and Caregivers

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

What does **FAITH** mean to us all?

FAITH is a precious and delicate plant,
which requires protection, constant care and nutriment,
and becomes weak and sickly when surrounded by weeds.
- Margaret Alyward



*We believe we have inherited a Faith in God who can do all things;
Faith, which makes Hope a reality and which never gives up on God;
Faith in a community of disciples who live simply, love tenderly and act justly.
(Holy Faith Mission)*

May God Bless You and your families

Debbie Williams
Acting Principal



RETREAT DAY -- YEAR 8 STUDENTS



In a representation of what I did at the retreat, I made 3 different kinds of shapes.

I made it to represent that it's okay to be different from others.

The testimony that was said at the Retreat, made me really think about College and the type of decisions I make. One of the activities we did was to do with buying stuff like paper, pencils and tape.

We didn't know what we were going to do with what we bought, so it kind of made it hard.

Once we purchased our stuff, we were told to build a house using what we bought.

It was difficult because we did not know how to make one using what we purchased.

However, we made a house.

It was not strong because the structure was poorly made.

It was not stable and we didn't have enough materials to build a roof.

This taught us that the choices we make now, even if they are small, can affect us in the future.



One thing that I learnt from Retreat

I learnt that being scared or afraid will get me nowhere and that if I am too scared to say/do anything then I will never be able to get where I want to be.

What will I do different as a result from my Retreat Experience

From now on I will try to use social media less and go out more instead of staying inside *all* of the time. I will also achieve the goals I set for myself so that I know that I *have* accomplished something. I will do things because I want to not because I have to or because someone tells me too but because I **want** to. Stay committed to what I do

One thing I would do differently as a result is change the way I make decisions.

The way I usually make decisions is sometimes to follow others.

Now and further on I would change the way I make decisions, by thinking about which choice is the right one.

Also one thing I would change, is the way I work with other people.

Rashall told us a saying "Teamwork makes the dream work!"

I think that from now on I should work properly as a team when we work together!



EXCITING DAY ON THE WATER - SAILING – YEAR 5 & 6 STUDENTS



This is a recount written by Thomas and Patience. They wrote it together. Patience is in black and Thomas is in blue.

A crazy day in a boat

Tuesday was a very exciting day. My class were going to go sailing. I was feeling a bit nervous but excited at the same time.

We got to Okahu bay and the instructor showed us how to rig a boat. We needed a sail, a pole to hold the sail up, a board to push down when we got into the water, a bailer to get the water out when the water is inside our boat, and most important, the courage to sail! It looked easy at first but when me and my partner tried it ourselves, it was soooo hard.

We got all the easy parts of our boat finished but we had to do our sail and ropes and the "BOOM OF DOOM" almost hit me. The instructor told us to come in but we hadn't even finished our boat. Luckily Maria came and checked all of our boats to make sure we had rigged them correctly.

Then we had to get into sailing gear. We had to wear a tight wetsuit, a rain jacket over that and a really tight life jacket. When we finished getting changed I could barely breathe. I felt like I was being choked to death.

It was time to go on the water! We had to line our boats up in a row at the edge of the water on the ramp. Soon, it was our turn. When we got on the water my partner was freaking out and I was screaming my lungs out. I felt like I was in a horror movie!

My job on the boat was taking care of the rudder and my partner, Thomas had to take care of the sail. We were working so well as a team and managed to keep up with the instructor. The other people yelled, "How are you guys going so fast?" We went fast because we were following the wind and making sure our sail was not "flappy and unhappy!" Then the wind got stronger and stronger but we did not give up! We just kept on following the wind. When we finished wandering around the sailing instructor told us to go to him.

When we went to him he grabbed a ball and threw it into the water. We had to sail and get the ball before the other boats. The first person to get the ball had to pass it to the instructor. The hard part was that you could only hold it for five seconds! After the game was finished the wind came and blew our boats and the BOOM OF DOOM! nearly hit my head and yes, my partner Patience started to scream, again!! When the wind got heavy I was scared because we were in the deep side of the water. Even though we were all wearing life jackets I was still scared because I thought that the fish would come and bite our legs.

We sailed back to shore to have lunch and were very excited because we were going to go out again. My food was so yummy. I wanted to eat more but I knew I couldn't because I would get a cramp. After a yummy pizza lunch bought by a parent, we all pulled our boats back into the water and sailed to the instructor, Simon. When we got there he flipped our boat over. Me and Patience had to swim and flip our boat back over the right way. We were swimming in the water trying to help other people who were capsized and couldn't get their boat back up the right way. We helped them push their boat back to shore.

There was so much water in our boat and I was shivering. It was time to go back to shore, so we sailed back, got our trailer and brought our boats out of the water. It was time to go home. I wish we got to have a longer swim and also another chance to go sailing. It was a very interesting day. I wonder what will happen when I go sailing again?

Term 2 - 2018

JUNE 2018				
4 Week 6 Queen's Birthday Holiday	5 R.E. Focus Holy Spirit	6	7	8
11 Week 7 R.E. Focus - HOLY SPIRIT Class Photos	12	13 Catholic Schools Convention - Wgtn	14 Catholic Schools Convention - Wgtn Netball	15 Catholic Schools Convention - Wgtn
18 Week 8 R.E. Focus - IMAGINATIVE PRAYER	19	20	21 Netball	22 FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS WHOLE SCHOOL MASS
25 Week 9 R.E. Focus CHARISM BOT Meeting 7pm	26	27 PAID UNION MEETINGS for Teachers - Parents to pick up students 12.50.	28 Netball	29 Learning Celebration
JULY				
2 JULY Week 10	3	4	5 Netball	6 FISH & CHIP DAY FINISH 2PM Last Day of Term 2



LOOK AT OUR EXCITING CRESS boys & girls!

CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT WE GAVE THEM A HAIRCUT?



WHAT NEXT IS GOING TO HAPPEN WITH OUR SUPER LEARNING HEROES IN ROOM 1?

