MISSION STATEMENT
Pompallier School is committed to the provision of quality education, inspired by the teachings of Jesus Christ. The Catholic Faith is expressed through the Mercy charism and values to make a positive difference in the community and environment. Pompallier Catholic School nurtures the development of each person’s full growth, in a continuing tradition of excellence.
Greetings, Kia Ora, Talofa, Bula Vinaka, Konnichi wa, Dobrodošli, Sawa dee, Fáilte

Wow!!! We are still “buzzing” from our wonderful Education Review in week one. The summary to our staff and Board of Trustees highlighted the following main points:
• Our students are confident learners
• Strong curriculum coverage taking place
• Strong and current teacher practice
• What is being shared by the leadership team is in practice and evident in classrooms
• High performance expectation
• Evidence, research based teaching pedagogy
• Targeted and focussed teaching
• All students are progressing well in their learning
• Relationships are strong
• Professional learning culture
• Mixed ability groupings actively working well
• Focus on student achievement
• Focus on student well-being

We are just so proud, and our hard work is certainly worth it!

We look forward to the draft report being published in approximately 4 weeks, after it has been moderated by a peer leadership team and then sent to Wellington. It is such a rigorous procedure, which is wonderful. As parents and whanau of our school, you too can be proud. Our students radiated learning, leadership and strength in themselves and the curriculum. I will continue to share our focus areas and next steps with you.

SELF REVIEW
The next part of the term we will be undertaking self review of what has worked, and the next steps. Our

ATHLETICS
Our students are well underway with their athletics and are loving the sessions. Don’t forget to book in our school competition and the zones that our year 4 to 8 students are competing in. Lots of wonderful opportunities to support our tamariki. We have so much talent in our school.

FAMILY MASS
Family Mass will be on Sunday 6th November. We have a special celebration with Bishop Pat joining us to confirm our candidates. This is such a special occasion for these children and we ask for full attendance at this Mass if you are able to. Each year our parish run our Sacramental Programme and they do a wonderful job. Thank you to Father Sean, Helena Payne, Joyce Bacica and their helpers. We will celebrate after Mass with morning tea, so appreciate it if you bring some kai to share. Mass begins at 9.00am.

TEACHER ONLY DAY
As part of our requirements of teaching at a Catholic School, our staff make a commitment to do 12 hours of training per year. We are all working towards accreditation by taking part in the “Introduction to Catholicism” paper. The Catholic Institute facilitator is working with staff over the weekend on this paper, which is a total of 24 hours of study. Please note that Friday 25th November is a teacher only day to help us fit in the hours needed for this course.

PRAISE GIVING
Check out the dates for Praise Giving in the calendar. The seniors (year 4 to 8) will be in the evening on Tuesday 13th December at 5pm. The junior praise giving (year 0 to 3) is during the day on Wednesday 14th December at 11.30am. These are such special occasions and we encourage you to support your child/ren, as every child is acknowledged and praised for their uniqueness in God’s image.

Blessings on your journey
Kathryn Carey (Principal)
2017

We will be sorting classrooms for next year within this term, so please let us know if you have new enrolments, or are leaving the area. At this stage we have 30 places for students and welcome new enrolments. It has been great showing new families around our beautiful school recently and we look forward to welcoming new members.

In Religious Education this term we began with a week-long focus on traditional prayer. School-wide, we have had a focus on praying the Rosary to celebrate October as the Month of the Rosary. We encourage our senior students to step-up and take leadership opportunities wherever possible; they have been leading our prayer every morning in front of the whole school.

At the beginning of week two we moved into the Communion of Saints strand. The BIG IDEAS that will be communicated during this strand are:

- The Communion of Saints are the body of the Church of both the living and the dead;
- We recognise the good in other people (alive and dead) and see how they lead saintly lives, and use this as inspiration for our own lives;
- We all have whakapapa relating to our family of God;
- We recognise Mary as Mother of God and understand the Catholic devotion;
- Christian belief of judgement after death and the choices we make every day affects this. (this is explored in more depth in the senior school)

Communion of Saints is our final strand for the teaching and learning of Religious Education this year. It is entirely fitting that this strand encourages our students to be saintly in their daily actions - as a school we encourage our children to be the best they can be. Many Blessings, Georgie Trewavas
Tangaroa gave Paua bronze. Brooke

Tangaroa found red from the sun. He picked a blush of blue from the deep water. He picked some purple from a beautiful gemstone. Tangaroa was getting yellow from a special rose, and orange from a carrot. Caleb-Rose

Tangaroa collected special colours from the finest examples in nature. He found emerald green from a shiny gemstone and a blush of pink from a flower. He collected a pinch of navy blue from a deep lake, and a tinge of brown from the autumn leaves. Danika

Tangaroa created a beautiful shell for Paua and the colours were blue, green, red, pink and blue came from the splash of the sea and the green came from the pinch of grass and the red is a lovely colour it came from an exciting sunset. Violet came from a lovely colour. Sharron

The crabs were breaking the shell because they wanted more of him. Kahurangni

Tangaroa gave him some violet from a plum, and a splash of lemon from a lemon shark and a blush of gem red from a chameleon. Corban

Tangaroa made an apricot and a splash of pink, then he put a splash of ash and he made more. He put a jab of jet black. He was happy. I hope you like it. It is beautiful. Cole

Tangaroa said to Paua “What’s wrong?” Paua said “I am so ugly!” Tangaroa got an idea. He got some navy blue from the deep ocean. He got red from a blooming flower and silver purple from a luminous violet.; a blush of natural green from a creek a shining shimmering sun and a dash of spring orange. Alyx

Tangaroa said I will give you red from a ruby, brown from chocolate, glittering bold gold from treasure and sparkly white from the most fresh green from the trees and blue from the sky. Liam

Paua felt lonely and the fish were being mean. God of the sea was being nice. Kingston
Tangaroa saw a wonderful diamond down, down in the water, he got it from a shark. Tangaroa got some bronze from a Panda. Tangaroa got a tinge of orange from a fresh peach. Tangaroa saw the most wonderful red in a flame. Arli

Tangaroa searched and searched for colours. Then he got the sharpest blues from a shark, the slipperiest orange from a lion, the deepest grey from a dolphin and the crunchiest green from a crocodile. Then he got a shimmery gold from a diamond. He got the tastiest brown from chocolate, and a gorgeous red from a dragon. He got jet black from a polar bear. Jahn

Tangaroa got colours of: indigo from the deep blue sea, a dash of chocolate from the wing of a bird, a dab of golf from a lion’s mane. A blush of green from the rainbow, a splash of yellow from the colourful sunset, and last of all, a drop of red from a beautiful rose petal. Frances

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Paua got a blush of red from a ruby, and a tinge of purple from a plum. Tangaroa gave him yellow from gold and he got some blue from the ocean. Kalani

Tangaroa made topaz and sparkly gold from a gold mine. Then he got some green emeralds from a cave and a tint of silver from water. Then he got a tan of light leaves from a rope. Then Tangaroa got a charcoal jet black from the stone. James

Tangaroa searched for the cherriest reds from a cherry tree, the most golden yellow. He also got the most copper of browns from a fern, and the most emerald greens from a cave. Ben

Tangaroa went to search for a glossy red of a golden wing. Then he went to get a sharks shiny eye from the sea and Tangaroa said I need more colours so he went to get an autumn yellow from the sun then he went to get a sparkly tooth from a fish from the colours and then he went to get a wishy washy blue for all the colours to be combined. Will

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Whanau let us always remember to show whanaungatanga at Pompallier. Our theme is ‘CHANGE’ - Tuia te rangi e tu iho nei, Tuia te papa e takoto nei. Join sky above to earth below just as people join together. Thank you to our special staff and students who have worked so hard to make Pompallier a great place to learn. We appreciate our teachers, teacher aides and support staff. We are blessed!