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

Winter has certainly arrived with crisp starts to our mornings and lots of wet lunchtimes! The senior students are working hard to create some wet weather activities for our break times to help pass the time.

The students have been trying hard to ensure their uniforms are correct, clean and tidy. Thank you for supporting us as a school to ensure that we are looking smart and ready for learning.

CROSS COUNTRY
As we near the end of term two, we are now moving into cross country training. This is preparing us for the competitions in term 3. All students will need a change of clothing and some running shoes for this activity. The weather can be quite changeable, the teachers make the call on the day. Students will be notified which days they are running. The seniors are Mon, Tues, Thurs and juniors Tues and Thurs. You can also refer to the calendar in the newsletter. It is great to have our students active and watch their fitness grow. Next term we will be holding our school cross country event, so the students are working hard towards this goal.

As part of our Project Energise commitment, the students recently undertook a fitness test. It has been great maths to check the progress and compare fitness from 2015!

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
A big welcome and congratulations to our new Board of Trustee members. A huge thank you to the group that put their names forward to be a part of the governance of the school. We have met already as a new Board and it is great to see our new team taking place. Our members are:

Chairperson: Chris Maskell
Parish Reps: Father Sean, Bill Pomare, Lou King, Bonnie Greenall
Secretary: Miranda Dickinson
Finance: Rose Baker
Property: Abe Wells
EEO: Hazely Windelborn (Malcolm)
Staff Rep: Leonie Murray

DIGITAL DEVICES
We have worked really hard to provide 1 to 1 devices in our senior classrooms from Kea through to Te Kahu. The junior classrooms have ipads shared between students. Our goal is to work towards the students doing learning blogs to share their learning with you, their whanau. Our aim is that our students have a balance of learning with hand written, books, e-learning and experiences. We are certainly making great gains towards this.

LIBRARY
Our library has been out of action as we are doing a huge restructure. Mrs Ryken has used student advice and gained expertise from the National Library to sort and refresh our library. We have used funds from our PTFA fundraising to put new shelving in and gained funding for new books. It is still not complete, but is certainly well on the way. We are looking for help to load books on to our system if you think you can lend a hand. Our recent book fair run by Mrs Scutt totalled a huge $1040.50 which was spent on books by you our whanau. This spending enables our school to gain benefits of 30% off purchasing new books! This all helps towards the library revamp. We look forward to the library opening shortly.

Blessings on your journey, Kathryn Carey (Principal)
A big THANK YOU to all the parents and families that took the time to look through your child’s/ren faith journals a couple of weeks back, we really appreciate the support of our Religious Education programme. We are a Catholic school and so our teachings and values underpin all that we do; it is wonderful to have your support.

This week we have begun our Church Strand in classroom learning. This is a beautiful strand, one of my personal favourites, as it matches so well with our school philosophy and values.

The **BIG IDEAS** we will be teaching through this strand are:

- The Church is a community of Christ’s disciples called together by the Holy Spirit;
- The Church is called together for the purpose of continuing Jesus’ example of proclaiming the gospel and sharing of the Kingdom and Reign of God;
- The Church is organised into parishes and diocese;
- We celebrate the Eucharist on a weekly basis to give us strength to continue our task of promoting the Kingdom or Reign of God;
- The word catholic means ‘universal’ and the Catholic church sees itself as a church for all people; saints and sinners, of all races and cultures, all called to holiness.

I love the whakatauki our Kaumatua Ozzie often uses...

**He aha te mea nui o te ao?**

**It is people! It is people! It is people!**

This proverb fits so wonderfully with the ideas within this strand. It also reminds me of the childhood nursery rhyme "this is the Church, here is the steeple, open the doors, and see all the people". It’s amazing how childhood wisdoms can instil such hope for adulthood.

Many Blessings, Georgie Trewavas
A reminder, for safety of our children, please drive slowly in the carpark. No child is to leave the gate area unsupervised. Please do not park in the yellow lines.

**June/July 2016**

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This calendar gives you an idea of what is coming up during the term. Put the dates somewhere important to remember them. Dates can change at times, so please check this calendar each newsletter. If there are last minute changes we will notify you by text, so contact Helen in the office to ensure your correct details are recorded at school.

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. In the year of Mercy Pope Francis asks us to show Mercy to those around us. We share special prayers to the Gunn whanau with the arrival of Elijah. We also pray for those who are unwell or have lost loved ones. May the Lord support and strengthen the journey that you are on.
It was so great to celebrate our wonderful Support Staff on Wednesday 8th June. Thank you to those people that came in and shared a smile and thanked them for their hard work. We have wonderful support staff and feel very blessed that they dedicate their time, effort, expertise and professionalism to our school.

We have brand new green school t-shirts with the school emblem embroidered on the shirt. Sizes available are: 6, 8, 10 and 12. These are only $10 per shirt. If you would like to order a green t-shirt please indicate below:

Name: ___________________________ Size(s) ________________________ $_______ (enclosed)
Our preparation for Quizmas are well underway, with our date locked in for Saturday 13th August.
As always, to run successful fundraising events to benefit our students, we do require your support.
We would appreciate donations of ‘nibbles’ to use at the event. We ask for one bag of pretzels, nuts/raisins, potato chips per family. If you are also able to donate a bottle of juice or fizzy drink this would also be greatly appreciated.
If you would like to support our evening further, we are asking for donations of the Cavalier ‘cake slabs’ to use for our dessert. These can be purchased frozen and we have space to store at school.
Please send all donations to school to Georgie Trewavas in the Piwakawaka classroom.

We also require man-power to clean up after the event on Sunday morning. We need a team of 10 helpers, if you can help please see Georgie Trewavas.
We are approaching local and national businesses to ask for sponsorship for our event, if you have any ideas or can offer assistance please see Georgie Trewavas.
If you can’t make it in to school to see Georgie, please email: piwakawaka@pompallierprimary.school.nz

Thank you to Brad and Tanja Jackson for kindly hosting our event at their yard, this is the perfect venue!
Pompallier Catholic School

Mid-Winter Quizmas

Quiz and Auction Night

Northland Auctions Ltd
89 Quarry Road

Nibbles, Dinner & Dessert. Bar available. Live Auctions and Band. EFTPOS available. Book your space on our courtesy

Register your team of 8 (with fun team name) with Georgie Trewavas 0212564681. Tables are limited, payment secures your table. Deposit $250 to bank account. Prizes for the best dressed team!