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New Zealand Catholic Primary Principals' Association SEPTEMBER MEETING 2016



NZCPPA Website <http://www.nzcppa.org.nz/>

VISITING SPEAKERS TO LAST EXEC MEETING:

Colin MacLeod - The Catholic Institute (TCI)

Colin spoke to NZCPPA executive outlining some of the challenges he sees as he moves forward in his new role. Teacher qualifications and the possibility of having a National curriculum (Y0-13) were discussed. It is important that a Catholic school principal is an authentic witness and that Jesus is the heart of Religious Education programmes.

Iain Taylor - NZPF President

Iain spoke to the exec, discussing PLD funding and the funding review. Remember that PLD is now regionally based and you have to apply online. The form is quite cumbersome but it is going to be reviewed. We assured Iain that we are the national voice of Catholic principals.

Cardinal John Dew

Cardinal John addressed the exec and spoke openly about the 4 really important documents that the Pope has given us over the last 4 years. Make time to read these and share their contents with your school communities.

- Evangelii Gaudium
- Miserecordiae Voltis - Face of Mercy
- Laudito Si - Stewardship of the earth
- Amoris Laetitia - Joy of the Family

Paul Ferris - NZ Catholic Education Office (NZCEO)

It was interesting to hear Paul's views on Catholic character reviews. He has a real interest in these and is aware that there is no consistency throughout NZ. Paul has engaged ERO reviewers to speak with the Special character reviewers and the NZCEO are undertaking a review of the current system.

The new handbook for Catholic schools will be online as of 2018.

GENERAL:

Mufti Mania

Thanks to all those who supported this and paid funds directly into the bank account online.

Communities of Learning

Many CoLs are experiencing a real challenge with the process of getting achievement challenges accepted, therefore are still in the inception phase. There is a concern that to get the funding you can't be innovative with your achievement challenges.

Outstanding Service Awards and Scholarships

Anna Wormald received the Jan Pratt award. Scholarship applications will close on October 14. Please see the website for more information.

Raising Achievement plans

These plans are based on the new ERO indicators and whether you have to have one is dependent on the review outcome. For a 3a review you don't. A 3b review indicates a plan

furnware
create the space to learn and grow

ASB

Education Services
Dedicated to your school

must be done and sent to ERO and a 3c review indicates a workshop will be run for the school to support writing a Raising Achievement plan.

REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS:

Auckland

- Waiheke Island- Principal conference
- House prices are causing issues with relievers especially. Hard to get teachers
- Research about decisions regarding tagged positions so data can be shared.
- COLs continuing
- Issues with enrolment at Secondary Schools - becoming elitist. Costs.

Wellington

- Conference held in Nelson with Chris Branson
- Having to pay for PD now due to funding shortfall in office
- Concerns around Catholic Character Reviews

Palmerston North

- Struggle to find rural Catholic Principals and DRSs
- PN office working hard to address issues
- Each area doing their own thing as PD
- New BOTs
- 2 Catholic COLs ongoing

Christchurch

- Catholic Schools Music festival
- Catholic Cluster going well
- Papanui being re-advertised

Dunedin

- St Joseph's Oamaru has been filled.
- Jenny Jackson has won a principal position in Melbourne
- Diocesan revisioning process was very successful
- Catholic COL good model – 9 Primary Schools and 1 college
- Strong Dominican presence so big celebration
- Bishop Colin has resigned

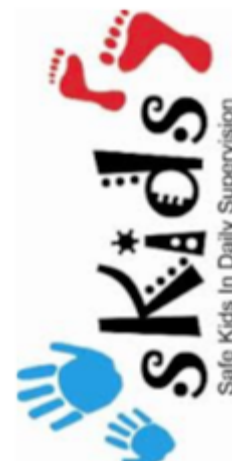
Hamilton

- Principal/DRS Conference Fr Richard Leonard great hit
- Pilgrimage to Northland very moving experience
- John Coulam retiring from Marian School. Moving to the Diocese

NEXT NZCPPA EXECUTIVE MEETING DATE 2016

November 2nd, 3rd, 4th

Christchurch



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