

SNIPPETS

New Zealand Catholic Primary Principals' Association

SEPTEMBER MEETING 2017



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VISITING SPEAKERS TO EXEC MEETING:

John Peachey - The Think Farm

- Well being is a huge issue.
- Make sure to prioritise people over tasks.
- Our job is to search and release the Ooh!
- What is your melody? What is your Ooh? Who can you influence?

Paul Ferris - update

- The NZCEO will no longer be printing the Catholic Schools pamphlets and sending them.
- Schools are able to bid for professional development funding through Kahui Ako in 2020.
- Catholic Convention – June 13th-15th, 2018 Theme: Christ's Call to love, to be, to do (\$497+ gst).
- Lighting New Fires is going digital.
- Help and support for Principals should be at Diocesan level. If we give Paul a plan to support Principal's Hauora he will talk to the Bishops and from there they will talk to their Diocesan Managers.

Linda McQuade - Vicar for Education - Auckland

- Catering for Auckland's Population growth – huge issues with property to meet demand.
- Issues in Auckland with Priests granting Preference
- Bishop's document 'The Catholic Education of School Age Children' is a vision for Parish and school.

GENERAL:

NZEI - Get a long to meetings and read emails.

Feedback about our Conference has been very positive, especially the message about Principal Hauora and well-being.

REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS:

Auckland

- Highlights include Looking into Well – Being and what this means for principals within the Auckland Diocese, numerous building projects across the Catholic schools and the reassignment of Geography groups.
- Challenges including Health and safety, MOE requirements of restraint, Kahui Ako and what it means for schools, the change in 5.4 preference, enrolment issues for children entering Catholic secondary school, the new review process and pressures of upskilling teachers in RE as well as other curriculum areas.

Wellington

- Cardinal John has called for an Archdiocesan Synod which will take place over the weekend of the 15th, 16th & 17th September, with all principals invited to attend.
- Special Character Reviewer has resigned, awaiting new appointment.
- Faith based CoLs are continuing and are at different stages in the process.

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ASB

- Our Archdiocesan Leadership Consultant has been running a series of lunchtime workshops for BOT members around different aspects of Governance in Catholic Schools.
- Vicar for Education has been running meetings for schools and people mandated to sign Preference forms in the Archdiocese to discuss the new 5.4 criteria, on behalf of Cardinal John.

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Palmerston North

- Hawkes Bay Principals journeyed to Wairoa to meet together, share ideas about property matters and informally discuss a range of topics.
- TCI papers are being offered in the Bay next year.
- A survey has been sent by the Catholic Education Office in Palmerston North to consult on the type of Professional learning required in the Diocese.
- A Palmerston North Diocese pastoral day was held on 28th June with all principals, DRS', parish priests and lay pastoral workers encouraged to attend.
- Manawatu Principals met and shared work around cultural responsiveness.
- Have discussed principal Well Being and the concept of a Renew U day.
- Manawatu Kahui Ako is at the beginning stage of lead principal appointment and setting achievement challenges.
- St Anne's School Whanganui East celebrates 75 years, 1942-2017.
- Taranaki Catholic Primary and Secondary Teachers experienced a Hauora afternoon with hospitality funded by the Palmerston North Principals Hauora fund.
- Board of Trustees training sessions have been held in our areas.
- New Plymouth schools will meet soon with BOT Chairs to discuss what a vision for the combined NPPA Community of Learning might look like.



Christchurch

- Te Mara Akoranga Katorika Catholic Community of Learning has appointed across and within school teachers.
- The Catholic cluster of schools have Met with the Grad School and the University to organise a mentoring programme to attract Catholic teachers into our Catholic School system.
- Principals and Priests meetings continue each term to further build relationships within the Catholic community.

Dunedin

- Michelle Bednarek Burrow the Principal of St Joseph's Cathedral School has recently retired from this role and we acknowledge her service to Catholic Education.
- Whole diocese professional development with most schools taking a teacher only day on September 22 to participate.
- Dunedin Catholic School's Kahui Ako has signed an MoA and is organising achievement challenges.

Hamilton

- Principal/DRS Conference in Rotorua with Bishop Steve in August included keynote speakers focussed on prayer and developing our personal prayer life.
- The review of the Diocesan Office has resulted in new personnel and new roles being developed. Diocese Inductions of First time Principals. Workshops for BOTs and Principals around property and Catholicity.
- The roles of the COLs and the the Diocesan Cluster groups are in focus to discern a way for both to be functional, supportive and useful.
- Understanding the re-definition of the 5.4 Preference criteria as explained by the Bishops has been a challenge for most principals.



NEXT NZCPA EXECUTIVE MEETING DATE November 1-3, Wellington

