

# SNIPPETS

## New Zealand Catholic Primary Principals' Association

### MARCH MEETING 2018



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Dear Catholic Colleagues

As part of our work as your New Zealand National Catholic Primary Principals Executive we have been consulted about the Elaborations of the Standards on your behalf, read them and had rigorous discussions with the writers. We want to make sure that you are aware of the following:

- They are not a checklist
- They are not an extra layer
- They are a discussion tool for use when unpacking the professional standards with your staff through a Catholic lens and evidence can be collected via this lens to be shared as part of the appraisal process

If you would like further clarification please contact your Diocesan Executive Reps on the NZCPPA website (see link below).

[NZCPPA Website http://nzcppa.spikeatschool.co.nz](http://nzcppa.spikeatschool.co.nz)

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#### **SUBSCRIPTIONS:**

There will be an increase effective from 2019. U1/2 schools \$100, U3+ \$125.

#### **VISITING SPEAKERS TO EXEC MEETING:**

**Paul Ferris:** (NZCEO)

Discussion was held around the the importance of TCI papers when appointing principals, training for Board of trustees reps before a Catholic school principal is appointed, and the Catholic convention.

**Carmel Spencer:** (Palmerston North Diocese)- Principles of Social Justice/ Catholic Social Teaching  
The Caritas site has a lot of ideas for you to embed the Catholic Social Teaching principles into your school community. Checkout this link <http://www.caritas.org.nz/catholic-social-teaching>

**Rosalie Connors:** (Palmerston North Diocese)

NZ Catholic Special Character Review:

The new review document and its implications were discussed. It is promising to have a uniform review process.

#### **GENERAL:**

We are constantly updating the website so would love to have new photos displaying Catholic Special character from schools. Please forward these to [danielp@stdominics.school.nz](mailto:danielp@stdominics.school.nz)

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## REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS:

### Auckland

- New Strategic plan with Cultural aspect to the goals.
- Forum day will include Geo group discussions sharing promising practice and successes.
- Merger of Primary and Secondary Associations is being looked at.
- A lot of professional development is being rolled out to support schools with the new bridging document.
- One in every five schools in Auckland will open for the year next week without a full teaching staff. The region faces a desperate teacher shortage driven by rapid population growth, declining numbers of teacher trainees and sky-high house prices that have forced many teachers to move out to smaller towns where they can afford to buy. (Herald January 2018).

### Wellington

- We are working to ensure first time principals are receiving appropriate support as the demographic of experienced principals changes.
- Archdiocesan Commissioning Masses have been held in Wellington and Nelson.

### Palmerston North

- Stratford parish have no permanent priest this year. Implications with preference cards and financial assistance for families.
- Full school rolls in Taranaki and Whanganui.
- Support for U1 and U2 principals to get to regional and national conferences. One application per person per year, \$500 per application.

### Dunedin

- New Bishop-Elect, Fr Michael Dooley.
- Dunedin Kahui Ako focus areas are: Building Leadership Capacity, Spirals of Inquiry and Engagement with each other and the wider community.

### Hamilton

- The Central Faith Based Community of Learning has a new leader.
- The Waikato Kahui Ako has had their final sign off from the Minister. The across school leaders are now appointed and have started collaborating.
- The Principals exec are working on a strategic plan to plan for sustainability of the group.
- 'With Hearts Burning' was introduced last year. It focuses on understanding the Emmaus mystery (Luke 24: 13-25) to interpret our present reality.

### Christchurch

- New Bishop - Bishop Paul Martin SM.
- Te Mara Akoranga Katorika Catholic Community of Learning have had successful applications for professional development in Science Capabilities and the Learning Progression Framework.
- The first newly built church since the earthquakes, St Mary's New Brighton, was officially opened on March 11.

**NEXT NZCPPA EXECUTIVE MEETING DATE: June 12, Wellington.**



