

16 October 2018

In a Catholic way we learn today for tomorrow

“Welcome back to school and what promises to be a busy, fun and exciting Term 4.

“Give RESPECT, then you will get some back.”

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

A SPECIAL WELCOME

To Pearl Hutchinson Bell and her family to St Patrick's School. Pearl began in M7 yesterday and has settled in beautifully thanks to the welcome she received from her classmates. Enjoy learning and making friends at St Patrick's Pearl.

CONGRATULATIONS

To our very own Mrs Smith who was married on Saturday to Guy. We wish them all the best and every blessing for the future.

STARRING OVER THE HOLIDAYS

Our students were busy representing various sport teams and involved in a variety of cultural events. Rugby, soccer, basketball, hockey and Shrek – what a talented lot.

SUMMER IS HERE....SUNHATS & SANDALS

With the weather warming we ask students to start wearing school sunhats over the next 2 weeks (no more summer uniform changeover) (Year 8 students can still continue wearing shoes).

We ask that from 1 NOVEMBER, Year 1 – 7 students are expected to wear sandals and ALL STUDENTS are expected to wear a SCHOOL SUNHAT (\$10) as we will have a “No hat, No Play” policy.

Y5/6 CAMP FUNDRAISER - PUB QUIZ NIGHT

Get together a team of 4, \$10 per person and come along to Speights Ale House for a night of fun. Every player's name is entered into win a raffle. Food and drink available to purchase. REGISTER YOUR TEAM AT SCHOOL BY TUES 23RD OCTOBER.

CRICKET STARTS NEXT WEEK

We have 4 teams entered for the summer competition starting FRIDAY 26TH OCTOBER, 3.30pm at Nelson Park. We have our Year 3 team (coached by Richard McGrath) and our Year 4 team (coached by Parents and myself).

On SATURDAY 27TH our Year 5/6 team (coached by Brad Hyde with help from parents on Saturdays) and our Year 7/8 team (coached by Dan Kinney and Matt Hannan) start their competition.

We are also very lucky to have NOBMCC on board with coaching sessions from Llorne Howell and Nihal Shilar for our two senior teams at lunchtimes on a Wednesday.

Here's to a good competitive and enjoyable season.

GOSPEL VALUE FOR OCTOBER - “RESPECT”

This month our school focus is “RESPECT”. In particular how we treat others and the things we say and do. “Treat others as you would like others to treat you”.

MUSIC LESSONS

Guitar, Piano & Singing lessons with Emily Armstrong, qualified musician and teacher \$16.50 group or \$35 individual.

To register, visit www.napiermusicacademy.co.nz

SHAKE OUT DAY - EARTHQUAKE DRILL

This Thursday we will hold an “Earthquake Drill” at 10.15am as part of NZ Shake Out Day – which emphasises the correct things to do in case of an earthquake.

ABACUS CALENDARS

Just a “heads up” we will be doing the Abacus Calendars again this term. Your child will be doing the art work for the calendar over the next 2 weeks. Ideal for Christmas presents. Orders will be coming home soon.

CLASS ORGANISATION FOR 2019 - CONTACT THE PRINCIPAL

We are beginning the process of organising classes / teachers for next year. Please contact **me personally** by Friday 2 November if you need any issues considered that we may not already be aware of when placing your son / daughter in a class for 2019. If your child will **not be** at St Patrick's next year, I would appreciate it if you can inform us by Friday 2 November.

TERM 4 BUS PASSES - TAMATEA / TARADALE

Term 4 bus passes are on sale at the office.

\$80 – ALL TERM

\$30 – 20 ride pass

\$2 – single ride

We subsidize this cost by at least 50 % so please, we appreciate your prompt payment.

NO PASS – NO RIDE from next week.

PART TIME WORKER NEEDED FOR AFCARE

St Patrick's School is looking for an After School Care Assistant for Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The person we are looking for must be experienced in looking after children aged 5-12, loves getting involved with activities, reliable and is flexible to work extra hours if needed. If this sounds like you and for more information please text Caroline - 0221923787 with your name and experience.

ARTS IN THE AMPI - A SACRED HEART COLLEGE ARTS FESTIVAL

You are all invited to an evening of Visual Arts and Cultural performances next TUESDAY 23 OCTOBER, 5.30pm at Sacred Heart College.

Visual Arts Exhibition viewing from 12.00pm onwards. Concert starts at 5.30pm in the Mission Centre Ampitheatre. COME FOR AN EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT – FREE.

TERM DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

1 – All Saints Day

9 – School Disco

13-16 – Year 5/6 Camps to Taupo

18 – First Holy Communion St Pats 10am

25 – First Holy Communion Thomas More 8am

28 – Junior Syndicate Production 12.00

29 – Parents / Helpers Morning Tea 10.30am

DECEMBER

5 – End of Year Prizegivings

Yr 1 – 6 at 11.30am

Yr 7/8 at 7pm

6 – Junior Fun Day

10 – Student Reports Home

12 – End of Year School Mass -9.30am

12 – Year 8 Leavers Dinner

14 – End of Term. School finishes 12.30

Regards & Blessings

Jurek Wypych
PRINCIPAL