

23 October 2018

In a Catholic way we learn today for tomorrow

“Treat people the way YOU want to be treated.
Talk to people the way YOU want to be talked to.
RESPECT is earned, not given.”

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,



CLEVER MATHEMATICIANS

Three of our students did very well in the recent ICAS Mathematics Test with **Caitlin Montaperto-Wells** gaining a Credit pass and **Alice Dravitzki** and **Sophie Walker** both Merit passes.

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) from the school office as we will have a “No hat, No Play” policy.

Y5/6 CAMP FUNDRAISER - PUB QUIZ NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 31 OCTOBER - 6.30PM SPEIGHTS ALE HOUSE

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 in to win a raffle. Food and drink available to purchase. **REGISTER YOUR TEAM AT SCHOOL BY FRIDAY 26TH OCTOBER.**

REIGNIER SCHOOL GALA

Support our Catholic Schools this Saturday. Starts **11am**. A good place to go for lunch with lots of stalls and something for everyone.

ABACUS CALENDARS - SOLVING THAT CHRISTMAS PRESENT

Art work is being completed this week so you are welcome to view your child’s art before ordering. This year we are able to put art on 2019 Calendars, diaries and note cards. Order forms and prices will be sent next week. A great present for aunties, uncles and proud parents and grandparents.

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”.

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 or call Caroline - 0221923787 with your name and experience.

SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2019

We have a number of scholarships that our pupils are eligible for in 2019, they are:-

Betty Crawford Scholarships – (2x \$500 plus) to a Year 8 boy and girl continuing on their Catholic Education at High School Level.

Tim Hannigan Jubilee Scholarship - \$250 awarded to a **Year 7 pupil** who displays the qualities and attitudes that reflect our school’s Special Catholic Character.

P.T.A Year 6 & Principal’s Scholarships (6 at \$100 each) - awarded to pupils who will be in Year 7 in 2019. These pupils must live out our school motto “To Live Justly.” This includes Fair Play, classroom diligence and attitude, sense of community and service to the school.

FOX

The fox shifted his weight onto his right paw, pushing back against nature, fighting to remain upright despite the bitterly cold gust that threatened to topple him. Something moved. He froze....

He approached the rim of the forest, eager for an explanation. He heard it again, crack, crack, crack. It was getting closer now. The fox trotted slyly, hiding behind the white bushes, covered in a thick layer of snow.

A bitter breeze covered him like a blanket giving him a spine chilling shiver up his icy fur. His footprints stamped the sheet covering the ground. A shadow started to form. Bigger and bigger and bigger until he could make out what it was. The big hairy back of the creature faced the fox. The staunchness in how held his body made the fox feel uneasy. Crack, the fox felt a prick in his paw. But it wasn’t enough to stop him running.



By Amelie Van Florenstein (M8)

Regards & Blessings
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PRINCIPAL