

26 October 2011

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

*We are back – hit the ground running!*

*I hope you all had a relaxed holiday and are ready for a final term that will be very busy, exciting, short (only 8 weeks) and more full-on than ever.*

*Year 8 pupils – your last term EVER at St Patrick's (enjoy it responsibly)*

### KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Mrs Liz Baker whose husband Glen passed away in the holidays. He was a wonderful man and we are blessed to have Mrs Baker still working with our pupils. May he rest in peace. Also James Barr, whose lovely grandmother passed away in the holidays.

### OUR LATEST ARRIVALS

Four BRAND-NEW 5 year old faces began in A4 yesterday. They looked beautiful in their new summer uniforms. So welcome... **Logan Norton-Melling** who joins big sister Emily here (a term of being together). **Augustine Mila** who joins both Junior and Destiny at St Patrick's. **Debra Penitito** who is here to keep an eye on big tuagane (brother) Joseph and **Brock McGrath** who joins his older brother Reid at St Patrick's.

In Year 5, we welcome **Sally-Ann Ward** who has her older sister Stephanie in Year 8.

We also welcome **Malele Te Tomo** in M9 and her parents Sita and Morehu.

We hope you all enjoy learning and making new friends at St Patrick's

### ALL IN SUMMER UNIFORM AND HATS!

**EVERY PUPIL** must be in **CORRECT** summer uniform by next **Monday 31 October**.

This includes **CORRECT SANDALS** and a **SUNHAT**. Please ensure all uniforms, sandals, sunhats (twinkl works well) are clearly named with **your child's name**.

### LUNCH-ON-LINE (2 DAYS NOW)

Due to its success and convenience, we are now able to offer lunch-on-line twice a week,

**WEDNESDAY** and **FRIDAY**. For more information or to open an account go to

[www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz)

### PTA MEETING – JOIN US

Join us next **Wednesday, 2 November at 7.30pm** in the school library as we wrap up 2011 and plan for the installation of our Adventure Playground.

### SOLVING THAT CHRISTMAS PRESENT PROBLEM

We are **not** creating "calendars" this year BUT... We do have printed **tea-towels** that every child has their self-portrait on. There are four separate tea-towels, one for each syndicate.

They can be viewed at the office. An excellent gift ideas that aunties, uncles and grandparents will love. **Cost \$10 for one, \$18 for two, \$26 for three, \$35 for four.**

\* Note – Those who have pre-ordered tea towels, please collect them from the office next week. Send your order with correct payment to the school office. Cheques made out to

**St Patrick's School P.T.A.**

### SCHOOL VALUE FOR OCTOBER

This month our focus is on "**RESPECT**." As Christians, we should respect all that God has created (people, property, our environment) – we can do this in what we say and do (words and actions). Respect can start at home and at school. Our catch phrase will be...

**TREAT OTHERS AS YOU WOULD LIKE THEM TO TREAT YOU.**

### TERM 4 BUS PASSES – TARADALE / TAMATEA

Term 4 bus passes are now on sale at the school office (\$80 for the whole term).



### ENROLMENTS FOR 2012 - ARE YOU???

If you have a child turning 5 in 2012 or know of someone who has a **year 6** pupil who wants to attend our Intermediate (Year 7/8) next year – then please call me or the office for an enrolment form or make an appointment. I am happy to answer any questions you may have or show you around our wonderful school.

### SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2012

*We are in the process of shortlisting candidates:-*

We have a number of scholarships that our pupils are eligible for in 2012, they are:-

**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 Scholarships (5 at \$100 each)** - awarded to pupils who will be in Year 7 in 2012. 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.

### CLASS ORGANISATION FOR 2012 – CONTACT THE PRINCIPAL

We are beginning the process of organising classes / teachers for next year. Please contact **me personally** by Friday 4 November if you need any issues considered that we may not already be aware of when placing your son / daughter in a class for 2012. If your child will **not be** at St Patrick's next year, I would appreciate it if you can inform us by Friday 4 November also.

**NOTE:** There will be staff and syndicate changes in 2012 which are as yet to be confirmed.

### KELLY SPORTS – TUESDAY AFTERNOON PROGRAMME

Kelly Sports is again offering its multisport programme on Tuesdays after school this term at St Patrick's School starting in week 2. SUMMER SUPER SPORTS is designed specifically for **Year 1 to 4 children** so they can experience a range of sports. To enrol please fill in the registration form or for further info contact Craig Findlay, [craig@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:craig@kellysports.co.nz) or phone 843.4219.



### HIGHLAND AND NATIONAL DANCING LESSONS

Commencing this term for girls and boys aged 4 years and over. **First lesson free.** For information, please contact Anne Corney on 843.9197.

### TERM 4 DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

#### NOVEMBER

- 2 - P.T.A Meeting 7.30pm
- 9 - Y5/6 Swimming Sports
- 10 - TACS – athletics
- 13 - 1<sup>st</sup> Communion – T. More
- 16 - Kapa Haka evening practice
- 18 - Kapa Haka – assembly
- 20 - 1<sup>st</sup> Communion – St Patrick's
- 22 - Kapa Haka Festival (Y5-8)
- 23 - M7 – Blackhead Beach
- 28 - M6 – Blackhead Beach
- 30 - M5 – Blackhead Beach

#### DECEMBER

- 7 - PTA finale
- 8 - End of Year School Mass  
9.30 – St Patrick's Church
- 9 - Y8 Social
- 9 - Junior syndicate Athletics
- 12 - Pupil Reports home
- 14 - Prizegiving / End Assemblies  
9.45 – Upper Synd  
11.30 – Junior / Middle  
7pm – Senior (Y7/8)
- 15 - **END OF TERM** School finishes 12.30

Regards & Blessings

Jurek Wypych  
PRINCIPAL