

30 March 2010

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

*“Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you”*

*John 14:27*

### COOL AT SCHOOL THIS WEEK

Congratulations to **Alice Cameron**, a Year 8 pupil who is polite, diligent and always positive. She is a great role model for our younger pupils.

### PREPARING FOR EASTER – HOW DO WE DO IT?

We are now in our final days preparation for the great festivals of Holy Week – **Holy Thursday**, when Christ instituted the Blessed Eucharist, **Good Friday**, when He took upon Himself the full weight of our sins as He died on the Cross, and **Easter Sunday** when having buried our sinfulness, He rose to New Life and promised New Life to us. Easter joy comes with the realization that Christ lives His New Life in us and raises us up in our poverty. Simply let the risen Christ into your heart. He is longing to be invited in. Then you will feel His joy which lifts you up and carries you when necessary.

### WHAT TO DO.....

Make sure you celebrate Mass with your family – what better way to recognise Easter Sunday and affirm your reason for sending your child to a Catholic School.

### HOWZATT!!! – SLAM DUNK!!!

Another cricket / basketball season over. Thank you to all coaches, supporters and players for making cricket and basketball at St Patrick’s enjoyable and competitive. Thank you to Mrs McEwan, Mr Hickling, Mr Nicholas, Mr O’Neill, Matt Hannan and David Woodhead for your organization and enthusiasm. Thank you also to our basketball coaches and managers Mrs Purcell-Thompson, Rachel Weeks, Dan Fearn, Mike and Karlene Molloy.

### STATIONERY

Thank you to all who have paid, made arrangements to pay, started automatic payments or **WILL PAY** by this **Thursday 1 April**.

Contact me if you need time to pay this off, we can help you with this. I will be personally following up all unpaid accounts to discuss some arrangement as we aren’t in a position to carry the cost for your child’s education (books, technology etc).

### SUNHATS HOME

Winter is slowly arriving – please make sure your child brings their sunhat home this week for the winter terms. They will need to be back Term 4. Please name them – twink works well.

### VIOLINS FOR SALE

We have a number of violins for sale (\$30 for school families). If you are interested contact Mr Hickling or the school office.

### TERM 1 FINISHES

End of Term 1 is **This Thursday, 1st April**. We start Term 2 on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April at 8:45am**. Bring smiling faces only!!



### WINTER UNIFORM CHANGEOVER

Pupils will be able to start wearing their winter uniform from the **beginning of Term 2**. There will be a **‘2 week’ changeover period** where either summer or winter uniform can be worn. ALL PUPILS will be expected to be in FULL AND CORRECT **winter uniform** by **3rd May**. This gives you plenty of time to get your uniform organised. Uniform requirements are available from our school office and Postie Plus.

### CORRECT UNIFORM IS:

**Boys:** Black shoes only, grey shorts, grey skivvies (upto Yr 6), grey shirts (Int), grey socks.

**Girls:** Black or brown shoes only, winter pinafore (upto Yr 6) winter skirt (Int), white skivvy (upto Yr 6) white longsleeved blouse (Int), Navy Blue or Bottle Green tights (Junior) Black tights (Upp – Int) or above the ankle white socks.

**Sneakers** are NOT ACCEPTABLE – please don’t buy any.

### HAIR!

Our expectation and standards at St Patrick’s are:

**Girls** – neat, tied back if long, off the face, not coloured.

**Boys** – neat, tied back if long, off the face, not coloured.... Simple!

### REMINDER – SCHOOL CLOSED

School will be **CLOSED ON FRIDAY 24 APRIL** – that is the Friday of the first week next term. Staff will be attending a Professional Development Seminar.

### JEWELLERY MAKING HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Jewellery making classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays of the school holidays, available both morning and afternoon. Cost \$12 per item (6 to choose from). Phone Jean 842.1660 to make a booking or 021.240.4032.

### HELP WITH AFTERSCHOOL TRANSPORT REQUIRED PLEASE

Anyone able to help drop off 2 children to Bledisloe School from St Patrick’s on Tuesday after school please phone Caroline Kelly-Lowe 843.3222 or 027.311.7798.

### PROGRESSING WELL

Our cricket wickets are being refurbished and work should be completed over the holiday period.

### GOLF CROQUET HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

School holiday sessions for children aged 9 and over at the Marewa Croquet Club. For enquiries Phone Margaret 833.5498 or Helen 835.3717.

### TRICKY DEFINITION

**LOGIC** – going wrong with confidence

### LAST WEEK’S QUIZ

Scrambled eggs

Wishing you all a safe and holy Easter

May God’s sacrifice for you bring you blessings

Jurek Wypych  
PRINCIPAL



