

3 April 2012

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

*“To create more positive results in your life,  
Replace “if only” with “next time.”*

### COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to **Neha Pannu**, a Year 5 pupil whose attitude to her schoolwork and classmates coupled with her politeness and manners makes her “very cool.”

### FAREWELL MRS DRAEGER

We wish Mrs Draeger and her husband Dennis all the best as they look forward to the birth of their first child. Pip has done a wonderful job with your children in A1 this year. We look forward to seeing the baby and ‘Granny’ Bartlett’s beaming face (or will it be Nanna?)

### PTA AGM MEETING –THIS WEDNESDAY

Join us **7.30pm, Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April** in the School Library as we re-elect our committee and plan the year ahead. **BRING SOMEONE WITH YOU** – we need to see **NEW FAMILIES** represented to give us new ideas and support.

### SUPER ST PATRICK’S SPORTS PEOPLE

The following children won awards at the Napier Athletics prizegiving:

**Toby Chittenden** – Under 12 Highjump champion

**Kendal Ottley** – 11yr old girls champion

**Emily Kelly-Lowe** – 8yr old girls runner up champion

**Joshua Adegoke** – 8yr old boys runner up champion

### HB Schools Intermediate Swimming Champs

Our reps were **Cameron Madams, Alena Kamper, Adrienne Brewer, Madison Tabuteau & Danielle Richfield**. Overall results were Yr7 Girls 5<sup>th</sup> place and Yr8 Girls 7<sup>th</sup> place. **Cameron Madams** – 1<sup>st</sup> in 3 events and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the other. **Madison Tabuteau** – 1<sup>st</sup> in 3 events and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the other.

### Napier Rep

**Cail Pollock** represented Napier at the National Blue Light P.C.T Challenge in Wellington last weekend. Cail was chosen in a team of 4 from all the Intermediate pupils in Napier and surrounding schools.

### Basketball Champions

Our Intermediate team coached superbly by Mr Taufale won their final vs Maraenui last week to take out their competition. A great team effort – well done.

### MATHLETICS ON LINE – FREE TRIAL

If you have registered your child for ‘Mathletics’ online we haven’t forgotten about you. ‘Mathletics’ while designed for individuals also works on class numbers. We have been offered a free two week trial early in Term 2. Cost will be reduced to \$22 per child through until February 1<sup>st</sup> 2013. People that have already paid the initial \$30 will be refunded the difference. So if you want to take part let your child’s teacher know **THIS WEEK**.

### 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.

### HOLY THURSDAY LITURGY

Join us at **9am this Thursday** as the school celebrates the “**Days of Easter**” with a simple yet beautiful liturgy. We may have holidays to look forward to **but**, it is Easter that is of real importance.

### 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.

### FAMILY PRIZE DRAWN THIS THURSDAY – ARE YOU IN?

For all those families who have either paid their school account, set up an A.P or made arrangements with us to pay it off – **YOU ARE IN THE DRAW** for a family pass to the movies to be drawn this Thursday. THANK YOU for showing that education is a priority. For those who have NOT YET made any effort to pay – I will call you early in Term 2 to remind you.

**SO PLEASE PAY YOUR CHILD’S SCHOOL ACCOUNT.**

### TERM 1 FINISHES

This **Thursday 5 April** is our last day and **TERM 2** begins on **Monday 23 April**. See you all smiling, ready to work and in **correct uniform**.

### 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 Monday 7<sup>th</sup> 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 (Yr 7/8), grey socks.

**Girls:** Black shoes only (ballet type are not appropriate), winter pinafore (upto Yr 6) winter skirt (Yr 7/8), white skivvy (upto Yr 6) white long sleeved blouse (Yr 7/8), Black, Navy Blue or Bottle Green tights or knee high white socks.

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

### ST JOHN’S COLLEGE 40 YEARS OF FOOTBALL

Help St John’s College celebrate 40 years of football (the proper round ball game!) this Queen’s Birthday Weekend, 1 -3 June. The “originals” remember 1972 and the shock of a “rugby” school introducing soccer. To register or for more information contact Alan Dick, 027.442.5238 or email [reunion@visionhomes.co.nz](mailto:reunion@visionhomes.co.nz).

### LAST WEEK’S QUIZ

(Neon lights)

Wishing you all a happy and holy Easter and a safe holiday

Jurek Wypych  
PRINCIPAL

### THIS WEEK’S QUIZ

DEATH/LIFE

