

8 May 2012

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

*“There is more to life than increasing its speed.”*

*Mahatma Ghandi*

**BRAND NEW TO OUR WORLD**

We congratulate Shana and Adam on the safe arrival last week of Edward, a little brother for a very proud William. We wish you good health and happiness in our prayers.

**COOL AT SCHOOL**

We congratulate **Joe Mooney**, a Year 4 pupil who is thoughtful, responds positively and quickly. He is consistent, alert, keen and a good friend. Joe certainly lives out this months’ Gospel Value of “Self-Control.”

**JOIN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE**

This **THURSDAY, 9am** in our **SCHOOL CHAPEL** as they celebrate Mass together as a syndicate. A special way to celebrate our School’s Catholic Character.

**SCHOOL DISCO – THIS FRIDAY 11 MAY**

A chance to dance. (A sports uniform fundraiser)

Year 1/3 - 3.20 – 4.30pm (Bring \$4 – entry & goody bag)

Year 4/6 - 5.00 – 6.30pm

Year 7/8 - 7.30 – 9.15pm

\$2 ENTRY FEE – (Y1 – 3) plus \$2 goodie bag (drink, chippies)

\$2 ENTRY FEE – (Y4 – 8) plus sales of drinks, chippies. Glo-sticks for sale.

We thank Adam and Shana from the HOGS BREATH CAFÉ for their support, prizes and our MYSTERY VISITOR at the junior social.



**MATHLETICS FOR PUPILS**

All of our students are currently enrolled in a two week FREE trial to access the website (this can be done at home too – so have a look). If you would like your child to continue to use the site please ask teachers for an enrolment form. Cost is \$22 this will give your child access from 22<sup>nd</sup> May until Feb 1<sup>st</sup> 2013. Parents can register for FREE parent access to Mathletics by going to [www.mathletics.comns/parent](http://www.mathletics.comns/parent).

**CONGRATULATIONS**

**Georgia Kittow** for making it into the Yr7 Napier Netball Reps. We are proud of you!!

**HELPING OURSELVES AS A COMMUNITY**

Your PTA has purchased a **dome tent** that will be used for sports events, etc both at school and away. This tent is large enough to provide shelter for a team or large group of spectators and will be a great asset. It will also be an ideal way of ADVERTISING our school and raising its profile in the community.

BUT.... We need our **SCHOOL NAME AND LOGO SCREENPRINTED** on the tent and would firstly like someone from our **SCHOOL COMMUNITY** to be offered the opportunity to quote for this job. Please contact me (843.9238) if you know of someone who would appreciate “business” going their way.

**STAR GAZING**

Our Upper Syndicate (Year 5/6) are visiting our local Planetarium tomorrow as part of their Inquiry Study. Look forward to hearing what you learn about the skies above our heads.



**SCHOOL VALUE FOR MAY**

May is the month of Mary (a special time to think of our own mothers). The value that the school will focus on this month (and Mary must have had a ton of it) is

**“SELF CONTROL.”**

We practise self control in what we say, do and how we react. The rule we need to follow is. **“THINK BEFORE YOU ACT – MAKE A WISE CHOICE.”**



**IS THERE ROOM IN YOUR FAMILY FOR ONE MORE?**

Open Home Foundation is a Christian Social Service agency which provides training and support for any who would like to commit to short and long term foster care of children and young people. Could you be interested in this special task? We would love to hear from you if you want to know more.

For further information about what this may involve, please phone Barbara Allen or Robyn Booker 06:358.4024.

**NATASHA PURCELL SCHOOL OF DANCE**

Natasha was a Royal NZ Ballet member from 1993 – 2004 and she is now running her own ballet school. Group and individual classical classes from beginners to advanced levels are available for all ages. For all enquiries contact Natasha 843.3475 or email [natashapurcell79@hotmail.com](mailto:natashapurcell79@hotmail.com). Lessons held at Onekawa School Hall.

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**Jimmy J Brings His Savings Club to St Patricks School**

Jimmy J says start saving now and you'll get \$5 to start you off and other cool stuff as well as raising money for your school.

An information pack is available at the school office



Autumn Leaves



*It looks like the last few rays of sun.  
Its life on earth is almost done.  
It is time now for it to fly free,  
after such a long time in a tree.  
Beautiful colours now in my hand,  
the prettiest in all the land.*

*By Bridget Kelly-Lowe*

**LAST WEEKS QUIZ**

3 degrees below zero

Regards & Blessings

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