

24 July 2012

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

*Nga mihi o te wa kia koe me te whanau
(Greetings to you and your family)*



A NEW FACE TO WELCOME

Welcome to **Shelby Battersby** who began in M6 yesterday. Shelby has settled in beautifully and we hope she enjoys learning and making new friends at St Patrick's School.

COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to **Connor Smith**, a Year 7 pupil who has impressed us with his growth in confidence and participation. Connor is a great role model for our younger students.

SCHOOL LEADERS – MORE TO BE PROUD OF

Our school leaders (House Captains) for terms 3 and 4 were announced on Friday. They have accepted the challenge of leadership and responsibility and we expect them to be great role models throughout the year. Please pray for them.

MARCELLIN (BLUE) – **Aquino Muagututia & Callum Hinton**

FOREST (GREEN) – **Analeah Taufale & Breanna Burgess**

AUBERT (GOLD) – **Kayleigh Nugent & Jamie Grant**

BARBIER (RED) – **Angelina Sefo & Jarym Strong**

BUS PREFECTS

Congratulations to our Bus Prefects who have been selected. Their role is to keep our pupils safe on the Taradale / Tamatea bus runs. Please help them with this responsibility.

They are:- **Annaliese Williams & Alyssa Zyskowski**

GRANDPARENTS LITURGY – SEE YOU THIS FRIDAY

Our annual and ever-popular GRANDPARENTS LITURGY will be held this **Friday 27th July**. The Junior (Year 1 / 2) and Middle (Year 3 / 4) syndicates celebrate this beautifully and we always finish off with a picnic lunch. We will see you here on the **27th – 11.30am** in the school hall and afterwards for lunch (rain or shine).

MAORI LANGUAGE WEEK

This week, Maori Language is celebrated across the country. Our pupils will be involved in a variety of ways which recognize how lucky we are to have a bi-cultural heritage.

GALA NEWS

This Years' Gala will be held on **SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER**. We are raising funds for sports uniforms, adventure playground improvements, classroom resources and technology **SO WE NEED YOU....** If you can help phone Scott Klem 842.2471 or Michelle Start 843.4055.

Over the next 2 weeks we are asking families to donate a **FROZEN CHICKEN** for our raffle wheel at this year's Gala. Please bring to school office – thank you.

MEADOW FRESH STICKERS

M7 have started collecting **Meadow Fresh** stickers to try and win money for school equipment. Please help us collect the stickers on the Meadow Fresh milk bottles and yoghurt pottles. Ask your parents, friends, neighbours and family to collect them. Bring them into M7 or the school office. **THANK YOU.**



PTA MEETING NEXT WEEK – BOOK US IN!

Join us **NEXT WEDNESDAY, 1st AUGUST at 7.30pm** as we get our Gala going (only **7 weeks** to go!) and raise funds and our community spirit – all for our tamariki.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE – THIS THURSDAY

An easy lunch and good value too! Raising funds to help our Year 8 students head off to Wellington for a week in Term 3 for a “city” experience.

\$1.50 a sausage. Please bring money / order to your class teacher by 9am. Thursday 26th June.



PARENT / PUPIL / TEACHER INTERVIEWS (YEAR 4 – 8 PUPILS)

These are being held at school on **Tuesday 7 August** and **Wednesday 8 August**. We encourage all pupils to attend these as they will be involved in leading this conference and telling how and what they are learning. Please return the interview reply slip at the bottom of this newsletter by **THIS FRIDAY 27 JULY** so that we can set interview times (All families will be allocated a time)

STARSHIP SCHOOL PHONE SWAP

Send your old cell-phones to us! We are collecting old cell-phones to fundraise for Starships Air Ambulance Service. Based on the number of phones we collect we can cash them in for interactive whiteboards, laptops, handycams, sports gear and cameras.

MARIST SPORTS MASS – THIS SUNDAY

An invitation is extended to the clubs junior rugby and football members at St Patrick's School and their families to join us on this important occasion for our annual Club Mass to be held at the clubrooms, **Park Island this Sunday 29 July at 11am**. A shared lunch will follow, if you wish to join us a savoury plate would be appreciated.

BOOK- FAIR (NEXT WEEK)

Monday 30th July – 8am – 4pm

Tuesday 31st July – 8am – 6pm (late night)

GREAT BOOKS FOR ALL – SEE YOU IN THE LIBRARY

THIS WEEKS QUIZ

Ka pai to ra, ka kite ano

**CYCLE
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CYCLE**

Jurek Wypych
PRINCIPAL

INTERVIEW REPLY SLIP (YEAR 4 – 8 ONLY)

Please reply to classroom teacher by this **Friday 27 July**

Family: _____ Child _____ Room No: _____

My preference for an interview is: *(please circle)*

TUESDAY 7 AUGUST 3.15 – 5.30pm or 6.15 – 8.30pm

WEDNESDAY 8 AUGUST 3.15 – 5.00pm (only)

Regards & Blessings

Jurek Wypych
PRINCIPAL