

25 September 2012

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

*“If you are going through hell, keep going!”*

*Winston Churchill*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

### KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Ruth Gillett-Jackson and family and Jessica Christie and family. Both have grandparents who passed away last week. May they rest in peace.

### SCHOOL GALA – FANTASTIC

What a great day for our school and community with the weather once again played its part. Thank you to all who made this day such a success. To the organising committee, **brilliant!** To all who helped on stalls, helped deliver, set up, sold raffles, cooked sausages, counted money, donated goods and most especially to the families who came, enjoyed the day and spent money.... **THANK YOU.**

The community spirit and atmosphere was second to none and this is what makes YOUR Gala such an important and special celebration. Funds raised will be used for Adventure Playground fall area and resources for the classrooms. Your children are the “winners” they benefit directly (**just over \$20,000 raised**).

### FIRST RECONCILIATION

This **Thursday the 27<sup>th</sup> September, 7.15pm at St Patrick’s Parish.** Please pray for these pupils who are taking their next step on their faith journey by accepting the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

They are:- **Jack Baxter, Charlotte Clayton, Paige Diack, Finn Downing, Maggie Hare, Madison Hartley, Charlotte Hooper, Connor Hooper, Rachel Klem, Ashleigh Madams, Reid McGrath, Caleb Nugent, Phillip King-Panapa, Lincoln Park, Scarlett Powell, Janaya Preece, Laila Salter, Violet Sanders, Sam Start & Brooke Truman.**

### JUNIOR POETS

Our Junior Syndicate completed their language focus with a poetry recital festival on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September. Beautiful renditions with many smiles made for compelling audience viewing and participation. Literature is alive and well at St Patrick’s.

Our finalists were:-

Year 1 – **Joshua O’Neill, Clare MacDonald**

Year 2 – **Hunter Kinney, Abby Boyes**



### SENIOR SPEECH FINALS

We heard 12 fantastic speeches 2 weeks ago, congratulations to all finalists.

Placings for 2012 were:-

1<sup>st</sup> – **Ella WhiteShaw** with her speech “Middle child syndrome”

2<sup>nd</sup> – **Connor Smith** – “Food”, a very entertaining angle!

3<sup>rd</sup> – **Chris Tichborne** – “Spiders”

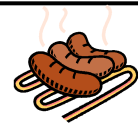
### SENIOR CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to our Year 7 boys and girls teams who both were placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the school teams events at the T.A.Cs Cross Country at Puketapu last Wednesday.

### GYMNASTICS REP

We wish **Alena Kamper** all the best as she competes for Hawke’s Bay in the NZ Champs to be held in Blenheim.

### SAUSAGE SIZZLE – THIS THURSDAY



**WHAT A GREAT LUNCH - EASY!**

An easy lunch and good value too!

**\$1.50 a sausage. Please bring money / order to your class teacher by 9am. Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September**

### “SHAKE OUT” – NZ DRILL

Tomorrow at **9.26am** we will, along with hundreds of other schools in N.Z hold an earthquake drill. The **DROP, COVER, HOLD** message will be reinforced and students will be made aware of our safety procedures (as seen on T.V)

### EMERGENCY PLAN UPDATED

We have recently up-dated our School Emergency / Disaster Plan. This plan meets local council and Ministry of Education standards and covers events such as Fire, Earthquake, tsunami, Lock-down, flooding etc.

A copy of this plan is in the foyer of the school office.

### SUMMER UNIFORM CHANGEOVER (START NOW)

Pupils are now able to wear Summer Uniform from **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September** if they wish (getting warm). **We expect all pupils** to be in full and correct summer uniform in term 4 by **23rd October**. Remember we sell: - Girls pinafores and skirts. Boys & Girls sweatshirts and sports shirts. Postie Plus stock the rest of the uniform requirements.

### END OF TERM 3 / START OF TERM 4

We hope you all have a safe holiday break. It has been a very busy term and this break gives us all a chance to get rid of those winter “bugs” and refresh ourselves ready for Term 4 – which begins on **MONDAY 15 OCTOBER.**

### TERM 4 BUS PASSES – TARADALE TAMATEA

Be organised early – Term 4 passes are now on sale from the school office. (\$80 for the whole term)

### The Bear

*Once upon a time there lived a very, hungry bear. It loved honey. Honey was his favourite food before he tried pizza. Now his favourite food was pizza. He could not stop eating it. He ordered pizza from the pizza shop. Straight away brmm went the pizza truck. All day the pizza truck delivered pizza to the Mischief Maker. Then the bear stopped. He was fatter than a fat elephant from Africa. Fancy that!!*

*By Natasha A2*



### LAST WEEK’S QUIZ

A man for all seasons

Have a safe and happy holiday break

### THIS WEEK’S QUIZ

**LOOK KOOL U X**

Jurek Wypych  
PRINCIPAL