

6 November 2012

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

*“Miracles usually happen when you’re not looking”*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

### OUR LATEST TREASURE

We welcome **Michael Pollard** to A4. He joins big sister Charlotte at St Patrick’s School. A future player for our soccer team I hope.

### COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to **Kya Joe**, a Year 5 pupil who lives out our school motto **“To Live Justly.”** She is always polite, helpful, friendly, hardworking and compassionate.

### LEAVING US AFTER MANY WONDERFUL YEARS

We farewell Mrs Bartlett at the end of the year after more than 25 years of wonderful service, advice, friendship and love at St Patrick’s School. Now that she is a “nanna,” life has taken on a new pleasing twist and Pam has decided that this is a good time for her to finish. I don’t need to tell you (but I will later!) how valuable Pam has been to us all and what she has meant to hundreds of children at St Patrick’s. We will have time later this term to formally farewell her on more than one occasion but I am sure you will all want to wish her the best yourselves personally – so go ahead! In the meantime, enjoy your last term with us Pam, especially those children.

### BASKETBALL REPS

Two of our senior students **Matthew Hiha** and **Kathleen Nahora** have been recognised in the H.B Basketball awards recently. Lots of talent there.

### UPPER SYNDICATE SWIMMING SPORTS

Join our Year 5 / 6 pupils at the Onekawa Pools this **Friday at 11.30** as they put into practise the skills they have learned over the past weeks.

### JUNIOR SYNDICATE – AQUARIUM TRIP

Linking in with their Inquiry Units “Living Things” and “Floating.” Our juniors visit the Aquarium this Thursday. They will also visit the penguins in their new home and learn about some of the more curious sea creatures that the Aquarium holds. Have a wonderful day and learn lots.

### YEAR 5 / 6 WAKARARA MEETING

**7PM THIS THURSDAY** for parents who have children going to Camp Wakarara later this month. An opportunity to find out what they plan to do and for you to ask questions.

### EARLY WARNING – SCHOOL CLOSED

We have been informed there is a Teacher meeting for **ALL NAPIER PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS** on **TUESDAY AFTERNOON, 20 NOVEMBER**. We ask all parents to arrange to have their children collected at 12.30 that day. (After School Care will contact those affected). For those unable to organize care for their children from 12.30 – 3pm we will have a “skeleton staff” who will be able to supervise them. I will inform you if the situation changes.

### T.A.C.S ATHLETICS

Good luck to our 25 senior athletes who compete at this year’s TAC Athletics Competition held at the Hastings Sports Complex this Thursday.



### P.T.A MEETING – TOMORROW

**YOUR MEETING** for **YOUR CHILDREN** this **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30pm** in the school library. A time to reflect on 2012, spend some of that Gala \$ and look forward to 2013 projects and ideas.

### NAME IT OR LOSE IT!

**UNIFORMS, SUNHATS, SANDALS!** They all look the same **BUT**, they are different! We can’t tell who owns them if they are not **NAMED!** We have many in our lost property that are never claimed. Please ensure that you name your child’s clothing and if it’s 2<sup>nd</sup> hand, make sure it’s **YOUR CHILD’S** name on it and not the previous owners.

**THANK YOU.**

### SOLVING THAT CHRISTMAS PRESENT PROBLEM – CLOSES FRIDAY!

We are once again producing “Children’s Art Calendars” and “A5Diaries” through Abacus Calendars. Cost is **\$9 for Calendars & \$15 for Diaries** – they will be in full colour. Pupils are currently doing the art work for their calendars / diaries. Order forms sent home (more available from office) You can view your child’s art (**before you order**) An ideal present – especially for Grandparents. Orders close **9<sup>th</sup> November**. Make cheques out to **St Patrick’s School PTA**. Money **must** come in with orders. Each child has their **own** order form (payment can be combined).

### ALL PUPILS SHOULD BE IN SUMMER UNIFORM

That includes hats, sandals (Year 8 students only have the option of wearing shoes) and correct clothing. Thank you for supporting our standards.

### SPORTS UNIFORMS (YEAR 3 – 8)

We expect that **EVERY STUDENT** in Years 3 – 8 will have the **CORRECT** sports uniform for P.E and our sporting events. The school P.E top is available from the school office \$40 (same for boys and girls) and the blue shorts are available from Postie Plus.

### SPONSOR OF THE WEEK – PLUMBING – LOOK NO FURTHER

Ring Shaun or Tim 843.2100 for all your plumbing, drainage, heating needs. They do a great job for us at St Patrick’s School (I even use them at home!) For a great job at competitive prices.

### SACRED HEART BLAZER FOR SALE

Size 97cm \$50 Phone Debbie 833.6541 or 027.226.0015.

### OUR LAST QUIZ

Close quarters

### THIS WEEK’S QUIZ

MONEY  
BIRTH

### AND FOR MELBOURNE.....?

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PRINCIPAL