

21 May 2013

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

*“What others think of you is none of your business.”*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

### KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Mia McCulloch and her family. Mia's dad, Jeff, died in a work accident last Wednesday. He will be missed by so many people. May he rest in peace.

### COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to **Kurtis Weeks**, a Year 8 pupil who really impresses us with his leadership, sense of responsibility, application to school work and his ability to get things done. (Well worth the wait Kurtis!)

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

You should have all received voting papers in the post. Please vote by **noon** on the **30<sup>th</sup> May** and thank you to our nominated candidates:- **Gerard Cook, Ken Cooper, Teenica Grant, Catherine Roberts, Phil Ryan, Bevan Walker and David Kamper.**

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

With a new B.O.T in the process of being elected I would like to take this opportunity to thank our existing B.O.T and in particular those who are standing down. To **Shane Gibson, Jan Hiha, Father Earl and Kate Smith**, thank you for your service and commitment to our children and for the enthusiasm and direction you brought to the board.

Our Chairperson, Shane Gibson has lead the B.O.T with a well considered, collaborative approach and manner. He has always had our children at the heart of our deliberations and decision making. To all B.O.T members, thank you from the St Patrick's community.



### SCHOOL DISCO – THIS FRIDAY 24 MAY

A chance to dance – for **ALL pupils this Friday**

Juniors Year 1 – 3 3.15 – 4.15pm (\$5 goodie bag)

Middles Year 4 – 6 4.30 – 6.00pm

Seniors Year 7 / 8 7.00 – 9.00pm

**ENTRY FEE \$2 or \$5** for entry and a “goodie” bag containing a drink, chippies & a “treat” (**just for junior syndicate Y1 – 3**)

**Note:** chippies, sweets, drinks & Glo-sticks for sale for Y4 – 8 pupils.

### A FUNDRAISING IDEA – WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Can you or someone you know provide a **cool** means of transport to school?... a vintage car, a horse and cart, a brand new 2012/2013 V6 or V8, a Hot Rod....

The PTA are running “A Raffle for a Ride” fundraiser where children can win a ride to school. We have already secured a Fire Truck and a Police Car and need volunteers that can provide something special to take a student to school in on either the 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> or 11 July. We are fundraising for IT equipment and need your help. If you can provide a ride to school in something a bit special, please ring Belinda on 976.2238 (evenings) or 021.115.7701.



P.S – Mr Wypych is also offering a ride in his “other car” that hardly sees daylight (with breakfast thrown in!)

### TARADALE / TAMATEA BUS

All pupils will need a bus pass (term) or daily tickets from this week.

Remember:- This bus is subsidized by the school and we need your payment to ensure its survival. **THANK YOU. NO PASS – NO RIDE!!**

### TAX RETURNS

Please remember that General Purpose Fee (G.P.F) and R.E Fee are **BOTH** tax deductible as they are considered ‘**donations**’ (which we really need to run the school and provide your children with resources and activities).

### CHILD CANCER BADGES

We have Child Cancer Badges for sale in the school office **\$2 each**. A very worthy cause and one which affects many NZ families.

### THANK YOU SPONSORS – GREAT DEALS FOR ST PATRICK'S FAMILIES

A **HUGE** thank you to our newsletter sponsors (turn this over) who enable this to be sent to all our families and the Parish communities of St Mary's, Thomas More and St Patrick's.

### THIS WEEK'S SPONSOR – A MEAL DEAL FOR YOU!

A **HUGE THANK YOU** to Shana and Adam Greer of “**HOGS BREATH CAFÉ**” for their generous sponsorship of our school newsletter. They have some very special deals for us – and those curly chips are brilliant.



### LAST WEEK'S QUIZ

Son of a gun

Regards and Blessings

Jurek Wypych  
PRINCIPAL

### SAUSAGE SIZZLE – THIS THURSDAY



**COLD WEATHER - WHAT A GREAT LUNCH!**

An easy lunch and good value too!

**\$1.50 a sausage. Please bring money / order to your class teacher by 9am. Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**

### NATIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS DAY

Tomorrow, **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Catholic Schools across NZ celebrate who they are, what they do and their place in NZ communities.

With a very positive report from ERO last week (final report t.b.c) it affirmed that St Patrick's provides a quality education within a Catholic environment that is well worth...

### CELEBRATING!

We will mark this day with a variety of activities:-

- A school liturgy at 10am (long play lunch!)
- Soccer competition, Dance Festival
- Senior students attend St Patrick's Mass and join Sacred Heart College.

### JOIN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE

**This Thursday at 9am** for their Term 2 Mass to be held in our Chapel. Always a joyous occasion filled with prayer, smiles and “great effort.”