

4 May 2010

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

*“Every exit is an entrance somewhere else”*

### **COOL AT SCHOOL**

Congratulations to **Steven Shapland** a Year 6 pupil who has impressed us with his positive attitude, politeness, good manners and willingness to give things “a go!”

### **SCHOOL LEADERS – TERM 2 2010**

Our school leaders (House Captains) for term two were announced on Friday. They have accepted the challenge of leadership and responsibility and we expect them to be great role models, not only for this term but throughout the year. Please pray for them.

**MARCELLIN (BLUE) – Zoe Brewer and Zane Kinder**  
**FOREST (GREEN) Zara Hodgson and Patrick McCarrey**  
**AUBERT (GOLD) Olivia Jowett-Morel and Mitchell Weeks**  
**BARBIER (RED) Charlotte Collins and Sam Hiha**

### **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 practice 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.”**

### **SPECIAL CHARACTER REVIEW**

The Catholic Education Office will be conducting its 3 yearly review of our school’s Special Catholic Character from 30 May to 2 June. They will be looking at a variety of aspects that define our school and the recognition of its Special Character.

As part of the process they will meet with numerous groups (staff, B.O.T, pupils, parents, etc) and also receive feedback from a survey that will be conducted over the next 2 weeks. A number of families (not all) will receive this survey in the post with a reply-paid envelope. We ask that you complete this survey and have it back to us a.s.a.p so that it can be collated. We hope the review confirms what we do well plus identifies some areas for future development.

### **HAVE YOU SEEN IT YET?**

Our new school website – [www.stpatnapier.school.nz](http://www.stpatnapier.school.nz)

### **SPONSOR OF THE WEEK**

We thank Helen and her team at “Number Works ‘n Words” and encourage you to give them a call if your child needs extra assistance or extension. Numeracy and Literacy are crucial.

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

All classes are now working on the Jesus Strand – Hehu Karaiti with each area having a different focus.

- Year 1 My Friend
- Year2 Jesus shared His love in different ways
- Years 3 & 4 Jesus gives Himself in the Eucharist
- Years 5 & 6 The life of Jesus
- Years 7 & 8 His Values and the role of Disciples today

Please encourage your child to share their work with you when they bring home their R.E folders.

### **TRIVIA NIGHT- FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JUNE**

Team registrations are now being taken. \$20, team of 4 people. Call the office 843.9238 to register your team. This year we are limiting the night to 25 teams, so get in early. Great prizes, a good night out and of course, the best fundraiser because it is for our own children.

### **CONFIRMATION 2010 – GET PLUGGED IN**

This years Confirmation for our young people will be held at the Pettigrew Green Arena on Sunday 12 September during a combined Pastoral Mass celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> Jubilee of our Diocese. There is a meeting for those running this year’s preparation sessions on **Tuesday 11 May, 7.30pm at St Mary’s Parish Centre.**

### **HOUSE TEAMS AT ST PATRICK’S SCHOOL**

We have 4 house teams at St Patrick’s – your child is in one of them – do you know which one? Here is a brief history of each to explain why they are significant to us.

**FOREST (Green)** Father John Forest was one of the original priests ordained in Lyon, France 1830. Arrived in N.Z 1842 and in Napier 1859. Was instrumental in setting up the Parish of Napier. In 1859 opened a parish school (**us**). Served for 25 years as Parish Priest, was the first priest in N.Z to celebrate his golden jubilee. Died in 1884 and is buried on Cemetery Hill Napier.

**BARBIER (Red)** Euphrasie Barbier founded the “Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions.” These Sisters arrived in N.Z in 1865 and taught in our schools (St Patrick’s, Sacred Heart & St Josephs) for over 150 years.

**MARCELLIN (Blue)** Marcellin Champagnat was one of the first group of Marist priests ordained in Lyon. He later founded a religious group for men known as the Marist Brothers. 4 Brothers came to Napier in 1878. Our school was once called “Marist School” as you can see on our front gates near Kennedy Road.

**AUBERT (Gold)** Suzanne Aubert came from France early 1800’s. She served as a Missionary in the Pacific before coming to Meeanee. She lived behind St Mary’s Church in Meeanee Road. She was one of “The Sisters of Compassion” and in her pastoral work included many people, in particular the Maori community.

### **TRICKY DEFINITION**

**LOGIC** – going wrong with confidence

### **LAST WEEK’S QUIZ**

I underestimate you

Tofa, ka kite ano

Regards and Blessings

Jurek Wypych

PRINCIPAL

### **THIS WEEKS QUIZ**

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