

25 February 2014

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

*In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life:-  
"It goes on."*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,



### COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to **Brock McGrath**, a Year 3 pupil who has impressed us with his enthusiasm towards all aspects of school, his reliability and his sense of responsibility. He is fast becoming a good role model.

### LEAVING US AFTER 30+ YEARS

The end of an era (and a great one too!) After over 30 years teaching at St Patrick's School, Mrs Mary Alderson has decided that there is life after teaching and will be leaving us at the end of this term. We will have time later this term to formally farewell Mary but I am sure you will all want to wish her all the best yourselves personally. Mary has made a huge difference to hundreds of children during her years of teaching here. We are very grateful for what she has brought to St Patrick's. In the meantime, enjoy your last term with us Mary. God Bless you.

### SCHOOL UNIFORMS – NOW AT “THE WAREHOUSE”

From the 1<sup>st</sup> of March uniform previously sold by Postie Plus will now be available for purchase from “The Warehouse” as they are the new supplier.

### PROUD OF OUR PAST PUPILS

It is great to see the potential that was developed at St Patrick's School flourish and materialize at secondary school, in particular our two excellent Catholic Secondary Schools. N.C.E.A results from both these colleges in 2013 were outstanding. Many of our pupils were recognised for their achievement and also were given leadership roles in 2014. We acknowledge these past pupils:

#### ST JOHNS COLLEGE

**Scholarships in Year 13:** Josh Tidy

**N.C.E.A Merit: Level 1:** Eamon Minehan, Thomas Tidy **Level 2:** Ben Adams, James Oliver, Matthew Toohey **Level 3:** Josh Tidy, Blake Williams

**N.C.E.A Excellence: Level 2:** Caleb Levet, Hugh Mooney

**2014 PREFECT:** James Halpin, Caleb Levet

#### SACRED HEART COLLEGE

**N.C.E.A Level 1: Merit** Zoe Brewer, Serena Dempster, Aeliscia Gray-Webber, Charlotte Gyde, Libby Hutt, Rachel Lawrence, Tayla Moorcock **Level 1: Excellence** Olivia Jowett-Morel, Caitlin Penrose, Caitlin White-Shaw **Level 2: Merit:** Jessica Ennor, Madison King, Elise Levy, Jazz McKinley, Grace Meates, Baylee Molloy

**Level 2: Excellence:** Lydia Askew, Olivia Burrell, Jamie Nichol

**Level 3 : Merit:** Rachael Iremonger, Sasha Lewis, Shayna O'Malley

**Level 3 Excellence:** Alisha Davis, Olivia Lawrence, Adela Wypych

**2013 – Dux –** Olivia Lawrence

**2014 – Head Girl –** Olivia Burrell



### PARENT /WHANAU EVENING – TOMORROW NIGHT

All Parents/Caregivers are invited to this hour long meeting – **7pm Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February**. Please meet in the school hall where we will introduce our staff to you and inform you of some new initiatives at St Patrick's in 2014. You then will be able to visit each teacher in their classroom as they talk specifically about their room, their expectations, routines etc. We hope you support this as we work together to make your child's education the best it can be. **SEE YOU TOMORROW.**

### SCHOOL CLOSED (LONG WEEKEND) – 14 MARCH

School will be **closed** on Friday **14 March**. As we began early this term, we will have a **mid-term break** in this, the longest of terms for 2014 (12 weeks). So, a chance to plan a trip, adventure, shopping, haircuts, job around the home or prepare for sports.

### T.A.C TRIATHLON

All the best to our seniors who are competing in the T.A.C.S (Town and Country School's) Triathlon at Frimley Park this Friday. Thank you to our wonderful parents who are transporting and supporting them.

### CRAFTY PEOPLE – CRAFT STALL

The PTA are looking for crafty people who would like to participate in a craft stall at the school, 30 March. Please read the yellow flier accompanying your newsletter for details.

### SCHOOL BANKING – A GOOD HABIT TO GET INTO

NZCU Baywide is once again offering school banking for your children. If you would like to open an account for your child, packs are available from the school office.

Banking day is **Friday**. Bank books and deposit slips are to be handed into the office.

### ABSENCES / LATENESS

Please phone 843.9238 or text (027.750.7813) in the morning **before 9.00am or report to the office before they go to their classroom**. Unexplained absences are followed up to the best of our ability.

### ST THOMAS MORE HOMEWORK CLUB 2014

Challenge 2000 are once again running this wonderful service for our students commencing **THURSDAY 6 MARCH**, 3 – 5pm St Thomas More Hall. Please note change of day to **THURSDAY**. We thank Challenge 2000 and the volunteers for their time and expertise. If you would like to help in any way, volunteer your time, provide some afternoon tea please call Luke on 021.657.115.

### CATHOLIC PARISH OF NAPIER (THE FUTURE) MEETING

As a result of requests and feedback from many parishioners and parish groups over the past few months, the steering committee warmly invites parishioners of the three current parishes to a combined meeting on **Sunday 16 March, Heavey Hall, St Thomas More, 1.30 – 3pm**. The purpose of the meeting is to outline progress to date, invite further feedback, allay any concerns regarding the establishment of a single parish and to put forward a timeline.

### LAST WEEK'S QUIZ

One foot in the grave

Regards & Blessings

Jurek Wypych  
PRINCIPAL

### THIS WEEK'S QUIZ

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