

13 May 2014

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners

*“One can never consent to creep when
One feels an impulse to soar.”
Helen Keller*

OUR LATEST ARRIVALS

Welcome to **Henry Lemalu** who began in A1 yesterday and joins big sister Margaret here. Welcome also to **Jacinta Faleofapulu** who joins us with her family from Katikati. I hope you both enjoy learning and making new friends at St Patrick’s School.

COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to **Liliana Burt**, a Year 5 student who makes the most of her time and talents at school by working hard in class and living out our Gospel Values in both word and deed.



CELEBRATING MASS AND MOTHERS DAY IN STYLE

Sunday’s Mass at St Thomas More celebrated Mother’s Day in style – and OUR PUPILS lead the celebrations by reading the Gospel, Prayers of the Faithful, altar serving, taking up the offertory gifts and singing beautifully. I was very proud of them all.

Lagona fa’agae’etia ile auanaga a fanau a le tatou aoga, i le sauniga (Mass) mo le aso sa o tina i St Thomas More. I le Folafolaina o le Upu, talosaga lautele, auanaga/tali, moliga ma viiga o le Alii.

FRIGHT NIGHT – THIS FRIDAY!

Your **LAST CHANCE** before the Marist Block is **DEMOLISHED** to see it as you have never seen it before – **IN THE DARK**. Support this Year 8 Camp Fundraiser if you dare. **THIS FRIDAY 16th MAY** – Early Fright 6 – 7pm, Extreme Fright 8 – 9pm. \$2 entry for St Patrick’s Students and children under 13 and \$4 per adult. Sausage Sizzle (\$1.50) while you wait.



WHANAU MEETING FOR OUR MAORI COMMUNITY

Nga mihi o te wa kia koe me te whanau (Greetings to you and your family).

A meeting is planned for **WEDNESDAY 21 MAY** at **6.30pm** in the **School Chapel** for all our Maori families to discuss ways in which St Patrick’s School can lift achievement and better meet the needs of our children.

We ask that EVERY family be represented as we need and value your input. We have information to share that you ALL need to hear and we also need YOUR views as we plan for the future.

GOSPEL 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 practise 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.”**



GOOD LUCK LIT-QUIZ TEAMS

Good luck to our Senior Literature Quiz Teams who compete this Friday evening in the H.B Lit Quiz at Napier Intermediate School. They are:- Nina, Bridget, Roisin, Annaliese, Tegan, Bede, Gemma and Daniel.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE – THIS THURSDAY

An easy lunch and value too! Raising funds to help our Year 8 students as they plan for their Term 3 camp to Wellington.

\$1.50 a sausage. Please bring money / order to your class teacher by 9am Thursday 15th.



SWEET AS SENIORS

Our senior students (Year 7/8) went to Arataki Honey in Havelock North today to kick off their Inquiry study, “Pests.” A sweet introduction into what bugs us? Hope you all had a good day.



NETBALL STARTS THIS WEEK

We have over 80 girls playing netball this season – brilliant. Plenty of teams, great coaches, enthusiastic players and dedicated teachers – should be a good season. **Thank you** to all our **coaches** for sharing your time, skills and enthusiasm to give our students this opportunity. Year 3 / 4 start today, Year 7 / 8 Wednesday and Year 5 / 6 on Thursday. Games are played after school, mostly at Onekawa Courts.

A MEETING JUST FOR YOU!

Join us this Wednesday (**14 May**) at **7.30pm** in **A4** (Ms Bevan’s room) for our first **PTA** meeting for Term 2. Plenty happening at **YOUR SCHOOL** and we would love to see you at this **SHORT** meeting (1 HOUR LIMIT!)

HOMEWORK CLUB AT ST PATRICK’S – THIS WEDNESDAY

From our recent Fanau consultation we have decided to start a **WEDNESDAY HOMEWORK CLUB** for our students (YEAR 3-8). This will be run in **Room M7** (Mrs Smiths) in the new classroom block (until our library is ready) from **3 – 4pm**. Two teachers will run this every week and be available to help with homework.

ALL STUDENTS NEED TO BE PICKED UP AT 4PM.

SCHOOL CLOSED – FRIDAY 30 MAY

School will be closed on **Friday 30 May** as all staff are involved in Professional Development aimed at making St Patrick’s a better place for everyone.

THANK YOU P.T.A

Recently purchased for our school by the PTA were 10 new tents that will be utilized by our Middle Syndicate at Camp Wakarara this coming November.

AND.....**BETTER LATE THAN NEVER!** Thank you to our PTA who spent over \$1500 for us on St Patrick’s Day.

LAST QUIZ

High seas

Kia ora tatou
Regards & Blessings

Jurek Wypych
PRINCIPAL

THIS WEEK’S QUIZ

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