

1 June 2010

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

*Talofa lava. Malo le soifua (good health to you)
It's Samoan language week – let's celebrate*

WELCOME TO ST PATRICK'S

Mikyla Hutana who began in SM15 yesterday. Her Auntie Pania is very proud. Enjoy learning and making new friends at St Patrick's Mikyla.

COOL AT SCHOOL AWARD

Congratulations **Hamish Klem**, a Year 4 pupil who has a positive attitude, produces great school work and shows care and concern for others.

SCHOOL VALUE FOR JUNE

Our focus this month is “**PERSEVERANCE.**” A skill that we need to work on if we are to succeed in life. Our attitude is “**KEEP ON TRYING.**” If at first you don't succeed - try again. That means “quality” also – giving your best. So “keep on trying” in your relationships, school work, faith, family and friends – it will pay off.

JOIN OUR MIDDLE SYNDICATE - TOMORROW

As they celebrate Mass, **9am (2nd June)** in our “Sacred Space” and pray for the many blessings that we have.

THE HOLY SPIRIT – ALIVE IN THE SCHOOL

In Religious Education your children are beginning the learning Strand, **The Holy Spirit – Te Wairua Tapu.** The focus for each year group:-

Year 1 – God the Holy Spirit

Year 2 – The Holy Spirit in People's Lives

Year 3 & 4 – The Fruits of the Holy Spirit

Year 5 & 6 – Titles and Symbols of the Holy Spirit

Year 7 & 8 – The Mission of the Holy Spirit in the Church and in the World



Special Feast Days

31 May – The Visitation (Mary visits her cousin Elizabeth)

6 June – St Marcellin Champagnat (The founder of the Marist Order)

NETBALL AND HOCKEY REPS

Congratulations to **Georgia Gowler** who was selected for the Napier Year 7 Rep Netball team. Congratulations also to **Alice De Winton, Lily Fearn, Andrea Skelly, Tarryn Jones, Ryan Bell, James Oliver, Mitchell Weeks** and **Sam Hiha** who have all been selected to represent St Patrick's at the “Best of the Best” Hockey Tournament.

DAY TO “TASTE” COLLEGE LIFE

Our Year 8 pupils head off this Friday for a day to experience a taste of what college will be like for them next year. Our boys go to St Johns and girls to Sacred Heart. Buses will take them from St Patrick's School in the morning and return them by 3pm. We thank Mr Steve Bryan (Sacred Heart) and Mr Neal Swindells (St Johns), their staff and students for hosting our pupils and offering them this experience.

BOOKFAIR REMINDER

BOOKFAIR – **23rd – 25th June**, competitions in by **18th June.**

P.T.A MEETING – TOMORROW NIGHT

P.T.A Meeting – this **Wednesday (2 June), 7.30pm** in the school library. Plenty to discuss and we have our Gala coming up. Thank you for supporting your children – you **DO** make a difference.

VINNIES NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE

Over the next two weeks we are supporting the Moriah Jewish School in Wellington reach their goal of collecting 1.5 million buttons. Each button will represent a child who died in the Holocaust. A memorial sculpture has been designed to house the buttons. Each classroom at St Patrick's School will have a button collection box.

TEXT IN YOUR ABSENCES

If your child is unable to attend school due to illness etc, you need to contact the school by phone, written note and now you can text. Please text us on **027-750-7813** with your message.



ENROLMENTS FOR TERM 3

If you have a child (or know of one) who will be turning 5 next term (July – September) and will be attending St Patrick's School – **do we know??** There will be a parent meeting for all term 3 New Entrant enrolments on **Thursday 24 June**. A valuable opportunity to find out most things you need to know before your child starts school. Please contact Marie in the School Office (843.9238) to make sure you are enrolled. Thank you.

TRIVIA QUIZ NIGHT - A FUN NIGHT OUT - 4 WEEKS TO GO!

Friday 25 June 7:30pm, School Hall.

Teams of 4 (\$20 entry)

Supper provided, bar facilities, great prizes and funds raised for **YOUR CHILDREN!**

Phone School Office 843.9238 to register your team (limited to 25 teams)

SPORTS EXCHANGE

Our Upper Syndicate (Rooms 5 – 8) join Onekawa School pupils this Thursday for an afternoon of sports. Touch Rugby (Marewa Park) and Netball (Onekawa Courts). Come along and cheer on your children – kick off at 12.45pm.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We thank Lorraine and her team at Rodney Wayne Hairdressing for their sponsorship of this newsletter. Need to look **even** more beautiful than you do?? – Give them a call!!

TRICKY DEFINITION

MANNERS – the noise you don't make eating soup.

Enjoy the long weekend – you deserve it!

Regards and Blessings – tofa soifua

Jurek Wypych
PRINCIPAL