

12 August 2014

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

*The key to everything is patience. You get the chicken by hatching the egg, not by smashing it!*

*Arnold H Glasow*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners - Tēnā koutou Whanau, Tamariki and Te Whanau Katorika

### COOL AT SCHOOL

Cool at school this week is **Kara Nugent**, M6. For her positive attitude and kindness towards others. We really appreciate the wonderful way that you make people feel.



### SCHOOL PHOTOS TOMORROW

Please ensure that you have returned your orders and payments. I look forward to seeing everyone looking neat and tidy tomorrow.



### SCHOOL CLOSED THIS FRIDAY (15<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST)

School will be closed **THIS FRIDAY** as staff will be involved in Professional Development for the day. A day off school for our pupils – must be some job around the house you can create!

### UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES SCIENCE RESULTS

Our students overall have attained particularly pleasing results. Big 'thumbs up' to the following students **Roisin Kenny** (Merit), **Isaac Powell** (Merit), **Liliana Burt** (Credit), **Josiah McFarland** (Credit), **Camerin Boyes** (Credit), **Saoirse Kenny** (Distinction) & **Gemma Eagles** (Distinction). Congratulations on your achievements.

### NGĀ KUPU O TE WIKI

Apologies I forgot to put last week's word in the newsletter so there are two for you this week... **poitarawhiti** (netball) - theme is the Commonwealth games ending. And **nau mai** (welcome). Great netball result at the games too!!

### GOSPEL VALUE FOR AUGUST – PATIENCE

This month we focus on the value **PATIENCE**.

We say:- “GOOD THINGS COME TO THOSE WHO WAIT.”

What is patience.....? Patience is a quiet hope and expectation based on trust that, in the end, everything will be all right. Patience means waiting – enduring without complaining, having self-control, persevering – sticking with something for as long as it takes to finish it.

### CUPCAKE DAY FOR THE SPCA

One of our students Gemma Eagles has registered for the SPCA National Cupcake Day on the **25th of August**. Gemma will be selling cupcakes at lunchtime for **\$2** all proceeds will be going to the SPCA for much needed work in the care and protection of animals.



### STARSHIP MOBILE PHONE APPEAL

We would like our St Patrick's families to get behind this appeal and donate any old mobile phones which are then recycled and sold on. Profits go the Starship Foundation to support the Starship National Air Ambulance service. The appeal will be running for two weeks only so we look forward to your support.



### 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 14<sup>th</sup> August**



### N.Z MATHS WEEK (THIS WEEK)

A great time to “challenge” our children and show them that maths can be fun. There will be a daily problem in the office window closest to the staff room before school each day and one for the Juniors outside A3. Children will be invited to put in their name and answer in the boxes provided. Each day a WINNER will be drawn and a prize awarded. Enjoy the “problem” in today's newsletter.



### DROPPING OFF YOUR GALA GOODS

We need your FURNITURE, TOYS, CLOTHES, CROCKERY etc for our gala stalls. We will also happily take goods from your neighbours, friends and families if they want to donate to a very good cause. Please drop off at school or call one of our convenors if you need goods picked up.

**DROP OFF GOODS EITHER:** - Outside PTA shed (near bike stands)  
- School Office

### PLEASE – NO TVS or COMPUTERS

### BAPTISM PREPARATION

The Baptism preparation course (one session for all three Parishes) will be held at St Thomas More Church **this Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> August at 2pm**. Anyone planning a Baptism over the next couple of months should attend this session if you have not already completed a formal preparation course. Please approach your Parish Office for a Baptism Details form prior to coming to the session. Baptisms then take place in each families own Parish Church.

### FROZEN CHICKENS FOR OUR GALA

We are asking families to donate a **FROZEN CHICKEN** for our raffle wheel at the Gala. Please bring to school office – thank you.

### MATHS CHALLENGE

Mr Blundell wants 24 eggs. Eggs are sold in boxes of 6. How many boxes of eggs will Mr Blundell need?

**Have a fabulous week everyone  
Regards and Blessings**

**Jacinta Purcell-Thompson  
ACTING PRINCIPAL**