

9 September 2014

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

This week's generosity quote is....

"Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness: kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile." Mother Teresa

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

OUR LATEST ARRIVAL

We welcome **Vince Alizzi** who started in A1 on Monday. He joins big brother and sister Kim and Mia. Enjoy learning and making new friends Vince.

COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations **Ethan Grant!** You are a deserving recipient of our Cool at School award this week for your leadership skills and your kind, caring nature. We are lucky to have someone like you here with us at St Pat's. ☺

NGA KUPU O TE WIKI

This week's word is **niho** which means tooth. This word has been selected as it is 'World Oral Health Day' on the 12th of September. When was your last dental checkup?

NETBALL SEASON OVER

37 girls participated this year from the intermediate and we had great results: Super 12 Year 7 Division 2 came 2nd overall! Year 8 Division 1 came 3rd overall! The mixed team played exceptionally well, gaining skills and confidence throughout the season. Thank you so much to the coaches and managers Jude Wakely, Zara Hodgson, Rowena Macdonald, Lorraine Benbow and Caroline Hickman.

CATHOLIC CHARACTER SURVEY

Could you please complete the survey on our school website. We need your feedback to plan for the future. If you are unable to access a computer to input your feedback we have one set up in the school office for you to use.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Within our Religious Education programme, we are studying the 'Church' strand. We will be exploring many concepts including: Church is a community of disciples (followers) called together by the Holy Spirit. We often think of church as the name of a building, where as in its truest sense it is people coming together to continue the mission of Jesus. As a Catholic school, we too are church.

RECENT SCHOOL SUCCESS

UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES SPELLING – Credits to the following students: **Isaac Powell Y8, Aliyah King Y4, Brooke Truman Y5, Bede Powell Y7, Roisin Kenny Y7 and Emily Wakely Y7.**

Distinction – **Saoirse Kenny Y4**

High Distinction – **Amy Macdonald Y7**

UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES WRITING – Merit: **Emily Hendery**

Credit: **Anneliese Van Florenstein Y7, Amy Macdonald Y7, Isaac Powell Y8.**

Distinction: **Roisin Kenny Y7.** We are very proud of all of you and your achievements.

RUGBY REPS

Congratulations to **Sam Start, Reid McGrath and Caleb Peterson** who made the East D Grade Rugby Reps. Well done boys.



SAUSAGE SIZZLE – THIS FRIDAY (NOT THURSDAY)

An easy lunch and good value too! Raising funds to help our Year 6 students as they plan for their trip to Camp Tutira.

\$1.50 a sausage. Please bring money/order to your class teacher by 9am Friday 12th September



ENROLMENTS FOR 2015

If you know of any families considering St Patrick's for their children turning five in 2015 or a current Year 6 student that wants to attend our intermediate next year, please ask them to come in and collect an enrolment form. I am more than happy to answer questions and show people what St Patrick's has to offer.

REMINDERS FOR GALA

- **GALA MEETING TONIGHT 7.30 at THE STATION**
- **WORKING BEE – SUNDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER**

If you cannot help on Gala day then maybe you could help us the weekend before anytime between **10 – 1pm**. There is a lot of prep work to get done ie: ironing, sorting clothes, scooping icecream, sorting linen etc.

Please contact Michelle if interested 027.469.0505.

- **FROZEN CHICKENS** – are still needed if you would like to donate.
- **ANY PRIZES** welcome for mystery envelopes. Please contact the office or Michelle 027.469.0505.
- **HELPERS STILL REQUIRED FOR STALLS**

JUNIOR SCHOOL HAMPERS

The Junior school will be putting grocery hampers together and selling raffles at our upcoming Gala. The success of these hampers depends on the generous donations from our whanau. Please either drop suitable grocery and or nonperishable items to the junior teachers or leave at the office. Much appreciated.

HOTSHOTS TENNIS PROGRAMME

This national programme allows children from a complete novice level to learn tennis through a three stage progressive plan. It caters for players up to the intermediate age. A child who may wish to be involved in the Tennis HOTSHOTS programme at the Hawkes Bay Lawn Club does not need to be a club member. The club programme commences in Term four on Monday 20th October 2014. All the details about the club programme can be found on our website www.professionaltennis.co.nz where one can also make on line bookings.



Have a fabulous week everyone
Regards and Blessings

Jacinta Purcell-Thompson
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