

14 October 2014

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

“Treat others as you would like others to treat you.”

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners – *Tēnū koutou, Ta lofa and greetings to you all at the start of what promises to be a busy and exciting final term for 2014.*

For our YEAR 8 students – your LAST TERM EVER at St Patrick’s School.

(Enjoy it responsibly so we do too!)

OUR NEWEST TAONGA TO WELCOME

We welcome these new pupils (and some new families) to the St Patrick’s School Whanau. **Jorja Allen** A4, who joins big brother Jacob here and **Max Walker** who joins big sister Sophie. And new to St Patrick’s are **Baylee King, Charlise Blance** and **Cleo Wheeler-Priest** all in room A0. Enjoy learning and making life long friends.

PTA MEETING – TOMORROW NIGHT

A QUICK meeting **7.30pm, WEDNESDAY 15th OCTOBER** in the school staffroom to review this year’s fabulous GALA and look at term 4 events. More information on our ICT upgrade and strategy to be discussed also.

WELCOME BACK MRS THOMPSON

We welcome back Mrs Thompson who was on Maternity leave in term 3 looking after her beautiful Nixon. She is officially in Room 0 (Afcare Room) with our New Entrants and we are delighted to have our enthusiastic teacher back with us giving our new pupils the best possible start to their schooling.

IT’S GOOD TO BE BACK

My term 3 sabbatical was extremely rewarding (and relaxing) and it all went so quickly. Some great learning and experiences, especially during my time in Samoa. On reflection, we have a wonderful school here at St Patrick’s and it will only get better because of our **people** and the **relationships** we develop and value. Manuia le afiafi (good evening).

SCHOOL GOSPEL VALUE FOR OCTOBER

This month our focus is on **“RESPECT.”** As Christians, we should respect all that God has created (people, property, our environment) – we can do this in what we say and do (words and actions). Respect can start at home and at school. Our catch phrase will be...

TREAT OTHERS AS YOU WOULD LIKE THEM TO TREAT YOU.

ALL IN SUMMER UNIFORM AND HATS - CHANGEOVER

EVERY PUPIL must be in **CORRECT** summer uniform by **Tuesday 28th October.**

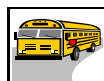
This includes **CORRECT SANDALS** and a **SUNHAT**. Please ensure all uniforms, sandals, sunhats (twink works well) are clearly named with **your child’s name.**

ENROLMENTS FOR 2015 - ARE YOU???

If you have a child **turning 5** in 2015 or know of someone who has a **year 6** pupil who wants to attend our **Intermediate (Year 7/8) next year** – then please call me or the office for an enrolment form or to make an appointment. I am happy to answer any questions you may have and show you around our wonderful school.

TERM 4 BUS PASSES – TARADALE TAMATEA

Term 4 passes are now on sale from the school office. (\$80 for the whole term)



KELLY SPORTS AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMME

Kelly Sports is once again offering its Multisport Programme on Tuesdays after school.

To enrol please visit www.kellysports.co.nz or for further info contact Alex Jones at

hb@kellysports.co.nz or phone 843.4219.



SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2015

We are in the process of shortlisting candidates:-

We have a number of scholarships that our pupils are eligible for in 2015, they are:-

Tim Hannigan Jubilee Scholarship - \$250 awarded to a **Year 7 pupil** who displays the qualities and attitudes that reflect our school’s Special Catholic Character.

P.T.A Year 6 Scholarships (5 at \$100 each) - awarded to pupils who will be in Year 7 in 2015. These pupils must live out our school motto “To Live Justly.” This includes Fair Play, classroom diligence and attitude, sense of community and service to the school.

CLASS ORGANISATION FOR 2015 – CONTACT THE PRINCIPAL

We are beginning the process of organising classes / teachers for next year. Please contact **me personally** by **Friday 31 October** if you need any issues considered that we may not already be aware of when placing your son / daughter in a class for 2015. If your child will **not be** at St Patrick’s next year, I would appreciate it if you can inform us by **Friday 31 October** also.

NOTE: There will be staffing changes in 2015 which are as yet to be confirmed.

TERM 4 DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

OCTOBER

- 15 – Middle Syndicate Swimming starts (togs!!)
- 23 – “World of Maths”- school Activity workshops
- 24 – H.B Anniversary holiday
- 27 – Labour Day holiday
- 27 – Junior Syndicate Swimming starts (togs!)



NOVEMBER

- 4 – Pasifika Festival
- 7 – Swimming Sports – Middle Syndicate
- 12 – M10 to Camp Wakarara
- 17 – M9 to Camp Wakarara
- 19 – M7 to Camp Wakarara
- 21 – Junior Syndicate Mass @ St Thomas More (9:15am)
- 27 – Middle Syndicate Softball Exchange
- 27 – Evening Cultural Performance & BBQ (t.b.c)
- 28 – Senior Softball T.A.C @ St Pats



DECEMBER

- 1 – Life Education Caravan Week for Junior Syndicate
- 10 – Parent Helpers / Coaches Morning Tea Thank you
- 11 – **End of Year School Mass**
9.30am - St Patrick’s Church
- 12 – Y8 Social – 6pm
- 15 – Pupil Reports Home
- 16 – **Prize Giving / End Assemblies**
9.45 - Middle Synd - school
11.30 - Junior Synd – school
7pm - Senior (Y7 / 8) – St Patrick’s Church
- 17 – **END OF TERM – School finishes 12.30**



A WEEKLY QUIZ (AGAIN)

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Regards and Blessings – tofa soifua

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