

3 March 2015

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

*“Always speak the truth, so that you get the right advice.”*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Faustina Laumatia and her family. Faustina’s grandmother passed away over the weekend. May she rest in peace.

**COOL AT SCHOOL**

Congratulations to **Grace Mawson**, a Year 8 student who is a great role model for our juniors. She has a great attitude, is positive and shows initiative.



**GOING WELL AT ST PATRICK’S**

We are now well into Term 1 and the school is “buzzing.” Your children are happy, learning and getting on well together. There is a great atmosphere and feeling about the place.

Our seniors (Year 7/8) are in the new Marist Block, new furniture has been ordered for various classrooms, some classrooms have new furnishings, our tablets and chromebooks are arriving, the middle syndicate are in their new rooms and two junior classes are moving this week. There is plenty happening at your school – and it is good.

**GOSPEL VALUE FOR MARCH**

Our focus this month is “JUSTICE.” This takes many forms and is shown in the way that Jesus would have modelled through his actions, words and attitudes. How can we be “just” – how can we be more like Jesus?

**“Tika – Justice” The right and proper thing to do.**

**PTA MEETING – TONIGHT**

See you tonight at **7.30** in the staffroom. A “cake and cuppa” this time as we plan ahead for a busy and exciting 2015.

**PARENT MEETING – HAS YOUR CHILD BEEN BAPTISED?**

Join us for this meeting at school **THIS THURSDAY, 5<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm** in the staffroom for all parents who have not yet had the opportunity to have their child BAPTISED. A chance for you to take that next step on a faith journey and let your child be FULLY INVOLVED in their faith and St Patrick’s School’s Catholic Character.

**HOMEWORK CLUB STARTS TOMORROW**

O le a toe amataina le homework club i le aso a taeao ile 3.15 – 4.00, aua meaaoga a le fanau. Fa’amolemole e manaomia lava le pikiina o lou alo i le 4.00pm.

For our students, some extra help with schoolwork. Wednesdays in the library 3.15 – 4.00. Please pick up your children at 4pm.

Fa’afetai - thank you.

**PARENT/PUPIL/TEACHER INTERVIEWS (YEAR 4-8 PUPILS)**

These are being held at school on Monday **23 March** and Tuesday **24 March**. We encourage all pupils to attend these as they will be involved in leading this conference and telling how and what they are learning. Please return the interview reply slip at the bottom of this newsletter by **THIS FRIDAY 6 MARCH** so that we can set interview times (all families will be allocated a time).

**PROUD OF OUR PAST PUPILS**

It is great to see the potential that was developed at St Patrick’s School flourish and materialize at secondary school, in particular our two excellent Catholic Secondary Schools. N.C.E.A results from both these colleges in 2014 were outstanding. Many of our pupils were recognised for their achievement. We acknowledge these past pupils:

**ST JOHNS COLLEGE**

**N.C.E.A Merit: Level 1:** Darcy Payne, Henry Askew **Level 2:** Ben Adams, Caleb Levett **Level 3:** James Oliver, Matt Toohey,

**N.C.E.A Excellence: Level 1:** Daniel Wypych **Level 3:** Hugh Mooney

**SACRED HEART COLLEGE**

**N.C.E.A Level 1: Merit** Emily Basire, Bridie Hughes, Georgia Gowler, Tamzin Lee, Sophia McAlley, Natasha Musson-Body, Kristen Truman. **Level 2:** Zoe Brewer, Charlotte Gyde **Level 3:** Olivia Burrell, Bridget Donkin, Jessica Ennor, Elise Levy, Baylee Molloy, Jamie Nicol

**N.C.E.A Excellence: Level 1:** Nicola Crompton, Meg Bryan, Tarryn Jones **Level 2:** Caitlin Penrose, Caitlin Whiteshaw **Level 3:** Lydia Askew.

**FANAU MEETING – NEXT THURSDAY 12 MARCH**

A meeting is planned for **5.30pm for a BBQ then at 6pm** a meeting for all our Samoan 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.

Talofa lava.

E fa’ailoa atu le fonotaga mo matua Samoa uma o le tatou aoga i le aso Tofi 12 o Mati. O le a talanoaina ai taulumaga o lenei tausaga ma fofogaina ai lo outou mamalu i la’asaga ua iai aoaoga a le fanau.

Saunia e le aoga le taumafataga (BBQ) i le 5.30pm, amataina le fonotaga i le 6.00pm. Fa’afetai.

**BUDDY CLASSES 2015**

Every class at St Patrick’s School has a “Buddy Class.” We pair an older class with a younger one and they get together at various times. They read, play games, make things for each other and generally keep an eye out for each other.

**LAST WEEK’S QUIZ**

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**THIS WEEK’S QUIZ**

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Regards & Blessings

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<b><u>INTERVIEW REPLY SLIP (YEAR 4-8 ONLY)</u></b>		
Please reply to classroom teacher by this <b>Friday 6th March</b> .		
Family: _____	Children _____	Room No: _____
<b>My preference for an interview is: (please circle)</b>		
<b>MONDAY 23 MARCH</b>	3.15 – 5.30pm	or 6.15 – 8.30pm
<b>TUESDAY 24 MARCH</b>	3.15 – 5.00pm (only)	



