

29 June 2010

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

*"Enjoy the holiday break – your children deserve it."*

### **LAST TAONGA OF THE TERM – TALOFA**

We welcome **Ila Muagututia** who began in A4 today. She joins Barbara and Aquino at St Patrick's School. We welcome also **Connor Autagavaia** and his parents Kerupi and Barbara who join us all the way from Australia. Enjoy learning and making new friends.

### **COOL AT SCHOOL**

We recognise the great attitude of **Logan Start**, a Year 2 pupil who tries his best (PERSEVERANCE), cares for his class mates and teacher and is always positive.

### **MUFTI DAY THIS FRIDAY – FOOD BANK**

We mark the end of the term with a mufti-day to raise awareness (and bring some practical help) to those in our community who need our support.

We are asking **EVERY PUPIL** who wears mufti to bring a **NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEM** (or more) that will go to St Vincent de Paul and the Napier Food Bank.

(Cans, packets etc – please check the expiry date!) Nice to know that WE AT ST PATRICK'S might make a real difference to some families in Napier this winter.

### **THANK YOU MRS FRASER**

Irene Fraser, who has been teaching in A1 will leave that position this Friday as Mrs Bronwyn Donnison returns from Maternity Leave in Term 3 (yes – it's been a year!) We thank Mrs Fraser for the difference she has made in A1 and for the wonderful learning environment she has created. Irene will still continue at St Patricks on a more casual day-to-day basis.

### **GOOD LUCK MRS SYMES**

Rebecca Symes, who has been a part-time teacher here leaves us this Friday. Rebecca is expecting her second child and we wish her, Tom and little Rosie good health and every blessing.

### **TERM 2 ENDS**

This Friday 2 July. **Term 3** starts on **Monday 19 July**. We look forward to seeing smiling, refreshed and keen to learn faces (and that goes for the PUPILS ALSO!!)

### **FIRST RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST 2010 – YOUR CHANCE!**

For pupils of St Patrick's School who are ready to receive these sacraments (**usually Year 3 and above**) an enrolment form has been given to pupils recently. If you haven't received one – spare copies are available from the office. Enrolment forms for both St Thomas More and St Patrick's Parishes must be returned by 26<sup>th</sup> July either to the parish or back to **school (Mrs Marshall in M9 or to the school office)**. Programme times and dates will be announced once enrolments have been received. We encourage all children to take up these important sacraments as part of their faith and personal development. In particular we encourage our older pupils (**Y5 – 8**) to receive this sacrament. If they don't take this opportunity now they may never in the future.

### **SACRED HEART COLLEGE ARTS FESTIVAL – A NIGHT OUT!**

**Tomorrow, Wednesday 30 June** at 7.30pm in the Century Theatre Napier. A variety of talents, humour and dance. Tickets from the School Office or at the door (\$10).



### **HELP – WE CAN'T FIND IT!**

We have "lost" our fantastic **Raffle Wheel**. We think it has been lent out to someone, but not been returned. If you know who has it or where it is – **WE NEED IT!!** Please contact the school – 843.9238.

### **BOOK FAIR – A SUCCESS THANK YOU**

Thank you to Ms Merrill Baird and her librarians for staging this wonderful Winter Book Fair. Fantastic to see the faces of children as they delight in books. Thanks to your generosity we are able to purchase new books for the library.

### **THANK YOU – REAL TRIVIA**

Our Trivia night last Friday was once again a great success. Heaps of fun, excellent prizes and a wonderful community event. Thank you to all those who came along to support the school, all our generous sponsors and especially our "workers" on the night.

We'll do it again next year! We raised \$1200 approximately and have purchased 12 digital cameras to be used in classrooms. (And my answers were 100% correct SJ)

### **TERM 3 BUS PASSES – TARADALE / TAMATEA**

Get organised early – Term 3 bus passes are now on sale at the school office (\$80 for the whole term).

### **PASTORAL CARE FROM ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

The Napier Area Council of the Society will again assist families with children at St Patrick's School to pay winter power accounts.

Parent / Caregivers should send a copy of their outstanding account and a brief note to the Napier Area President, Brian Collins, P.O Box 4049 Marewa 4143, advising:-

1. Family name, number of family members, names of children and the schools) they attend.
2. Address & phone number
3. the reason for requesting assistance

The final date for acceptance of accounts is July 31<sup>st</sup> 2010.

Income from the Society's two Napier Opportunity Shops has made this pastoral care possible.

### **AN EARLY INVITATION TO GRANDPARENTS**

Just to warn you in plenty of time that our annual and ever-popular **GRANDPARENTS LITURGY** will be on **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> July**. The Junior (Year 1 / 2) and Middle (Year 3 / 4) syndicates celebrate this beautifully and we always finish off with a picnic lunch. So spread the word and we'll see you here on the 31<sup>st</sup> – **11.30am** in the **school hall**.

### **TRICKY DEFINITION**

**MEDIOCRITY** – the rugged will to lose

Have a safe holiday break

Regards and Blessings

Jurek Wypych  
PRINCIPAL

