

28 April 2015

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

*“There is more to life than increasing its speed.”*



Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

### WE HAVE A NEW TREASURE TO WELCOME

We welcome to A3 **Brodie Nicholson** who joins big brother Jayde at St Patricks.

Enjoy learning and making life-long friends.

### COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to **Shelby Battersby**, a Year 8 student who is a great role model as she is hard working, responsible, has great manners and just gets on with things without a fuss.

### OH SO CLOSE – PROUD OF YOU

Congratulations to our Literacy Quiz team of **Jonty, Anneliese, Roisin** and **Bede** who were placed **SECOND** in Hawkes Bay on Friday night. A wonderful achievement and both teams were great ambassadors for St Patrick’s School.

### GOOD LUCK NETBALLERS & HOCKEY PLAYERS

Winter sports start this week and once again St Patrick’s School is well represented. A HUGE THANK YOU to all staff and in particular parents who are helping / coaching teams this year, you are much appreciated. I expect our students to be respectful and to try their best and to look smart when representing the school (in dress and in attitude). Good luck for the season.

### ANZAC FIELD OF REMEMBRANCE

Our ceremony last Wednesday was poignant and our students were very respectful. This memorial will be on display until 8 May when it will be removed.

### BAPTISM PROGRAMME 2015 – YOUR LAST CHANCE!

Following on from our very successful meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> March we now have finalised a programme for Term 2. There will be two parent / caregiver meetings and six school-based lessons for the children with BAPTISM SUNDAY being 21<sup>st</sup> June.

**Parent Meetings** will be: Thursday 7 May and Thursday 4 June – both at 7pm at St Patrick’s School

**Children’s Lessons** will be every Wednesday 8.45 – 9.30am beginning 6 May with the final lesson on 10 June.

It will all conclude with the Baptism ceremony on **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June at St Patrick’s Church**. We are looking forward to walking with you on this journey.

If you are interested in being involved this year by having your child baptised please contact us and you will be sent further information before the programme starts.

### PTA MEETING – NEXT TUESDAY

Join us **NEXT TUESDAY (5 May) at 7.30pm** in the staffroom as we kick off Term 2.

The more the merrier – your all invited to attend.

### PTA PORTRAIT FUNDRAISER

Just a “heads up” this fundraiser will be held on **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June**. More details to follow.

### WINTER UNIFORM CHANGEOVER – NEXT WEEK!

ALL PUPILS will be expected to be in **FULL AND CORRECT winter uniform** by **Monday 4th May**.

### FAITH FACTS – WEEK 2

What are we called to do during the Easter season? Pope Francis says that the world calls us to put ourselves first but that “As Christians, by the grace of Christ, we should seek to live in service to one another.” This is the challenge for us all, always.

### NZCU BAYWIDE SCHOOL BANKING

Start saving now and you’ll get \$5 to start you off and other cool stuff as well as raising money for your school. An information pack is available at the school office.

### ANZAC CINQUAINS – BY STUDENTS FROM M8

#### ANZAC

Sadness, loss, fighting,  
shooting, saving.  
Wild red poppies grow  
THANK YOU

Trent K

#### ANZAC

Intimidating, heart wrenching  
shooting, bombing, killing.  
Heroes of our country  
WAR

Emily W

#### ANZAC

Death, misery, shooting, falling,  
screaming.  
Pawns in chess games  
SACRIFICE

Roisin K

#### ANZAC

Tears, blood, fighting,  
protecting, dying.  
Making the ultimate sacrifice  
HEROES

Anneliese V



### THANK YOU SPONSORS

A **HUGE** thank you to our sponsors (turn this over) who enable our newsletter to be sent to all families and the Parish communities of St Mary’s, Thomas More & St Patrick’s.

### THIS WEEK’S SPONSOR – A GREAT NIGHT OUT

Thank you to Chris and his hospitable team at **THE THIRSTY WHALE** for their support. Look forward to sitting around their open fire this winter.



### LAST WEEK’S QUIZ

Full time, part time (or half time)

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Regards & Blessings

Jurek Wypych

PRINCIPAL

### THIS WEEK’S QUIZ

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