

5 May 2015

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

“The best way to gain SELF CONTROL is to practice it.”

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,



OUR LATEST TREASURE

We welcome **Jono McEwan** to A3 and St Patrick’s School. His first day was last Thursday and he settled in beautifully. Nice to have him here to keep an eye on his mum.

COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to **Katie Hardgrave**, one of our wonderful Year 2 students who is a focussed learner, always tries her hardest, is friendly, happy and only has kind words for her classmates.

REST IN PEACE

Sr Ellen passed away last week. Many of you will know this wonderful lady who gave her life in service to God and people. A gentle woman, much admired and loved.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF OUR MARIST BLOCK

You are invited to join us for the official opening of the new Marist Block and the newly completed Monsignor Tim Hannigan Hall Foyer on **MONDAY 18 MAY at 1pm**. Bishop Charles Drennan will bless our new buildings. An historic day for St Patrick’s School so join us in this celebration.

CONGRATULATIONS EMILY

Congratulations **Emily Wakely** who has made the Yr8 Hawke’s Bay Netball team. Well done we are very proud of you!!

BAPTISM 2015 – PARENT MEETING THIS THURSDAY

We have 19 children participating in our Baptism Programme at school this term. A reminder for **PARENTS** that **YOUR MEETING** with Father Mike is **THIS THURSDAY – 7 MAY at 7pm** in the school staffroom. See you there.

PTA MEETING TONIGHT

If you read this on Wednesday you might be late. Meeting **TONIGHT, 5 MAY** at 7.30pm in school staffroom.

JUNIOR SYNDICATE PARENTS / CAREGIVERS – AN OPPORTUNITY

Something new – A MEETING for you on **Monday 11 May, 3.20pm in Room A4** (Ms Bevan’s). Focus for the meeting will be **LITERACY**. Teachers will talk about their reading and writing programmes and what you can do to help your child.

ALL JUNIOR SYNDICATE PARENTS / CAREGIVERS WELCOME.

GOOD LUCK DANCERS

We wish our dance teams all the best next week as they perform at the H.B Dance Festival. Some great creative routines prepared. Thank you.



GOSPEL VALUE FOR MAY

May is the month of Mary (a special time to think of our own mothers). The value that the school will focus on this month (and Mary must have had a ton of it) is

“SELF CONTROL.”

We practise self control in what we say, do and how we react. The rule we need to follow is. **“THINK BEFORE YOU ACT – MAKE A WISE CHOICE.”**



FAITH FACTS – WEEK 3

Pope Francis touched on in his Easter message the suffering and injustices experienced by many across the world due to on-going conflicts. Let us pray each and every day for peace in our communities, our country and our world.

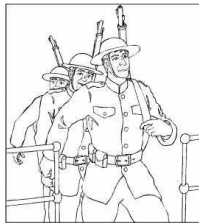
CONCERNS WHO TO CONTACT

If you have any concerns about school matters the Board of Trustees would encourage you to take the matter to the appropriate person as soon as possible. Below is a handy reference list for first contact, and of people to whom you could go if you feel that more needs to be done. **THE MOST HELPFUL THING FOR YOU, OUR BOARD, AND OUR PUPILS, IS FOR YOU TO RAISE ANY CONCERNS YOU HAVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

1. Arrange an acceptable time to meet with the appropriate person.
2. The class teacher is always the first person to talk to.
3. The Principal is always available to talk to parents who have exhausted the first avenue of approach, or have any concerns of a serious or sensitive nature, or wish to discuss matters concerning the school generally.
4. A Board of Trustees member or the Chairperson is the next alternative, if other avenues have been exhausted, or you feel that your concerns have not been dealt with effectively

KEEPING SAFE – TSUNAMI

In case of a Tsunami our Emergency Management Plan requires us to gather at our highest point. At present this will be our new Marist Block. Parents will be notified by cell phone if possible and students will be kept on the school site until they are collected by a parent / caregiver. Moving children off-site (eg to Napier Hill) lessens our ability to keep them safe and accounted for.

ANZACS	
<p>Crowded ships moving towards battle. Soldiers full of courage far away from home, leaving loved ones. We will remember them. Terrified with pain, easy targets from cliff enemies. We will remember them. Cramped in trenches with pain, trapped by enemies. Coming back to war marching with fear, losing lives. We will remember them. Going back to base, the suffering is over. We will remember them.</p>	
By Corey, Shaun, Amanual & Max SM13	

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