

10 May 2016

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

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

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Trinity and Tiare Reti and family. Their Grandfather passed away recently. A wonderful man, may he rest in peace.

COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to **Lola Parlato**, a Year 5 student who lives out our Gospel Value by always showing respect, courtesy, thoughtfulness and consideration towards others.



A shining star!

OUR NEW DEPUTY PRINCIPAL – WELCOME

I am delighted to announce to our school and parish community the appointment of **Pip Simmonds** as our new Deputy Principal. Pip starts next Monday 16 May and is currently Deputy Principal at Port Ahuriri School. We are blessed to have such a positive, warm and dynamic person joining our team and we look forward to the gifts that she will bring to St Patrick’s School.

GOOD LUCK LIT QUIZ AND DANCE TEAMS

All the best to our 3 Quiz teams who compete this Friday evening against schools from across Hawkes Bay. We also wish our 3 Year 5 / 6 Dance teams all the best for their Primary Dance Festival on Wednesday.

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.”**



ATTENDANCE DUES – WE CAN HELP

You would have recently received your invoice from the Catholic Education Office for your child’s **ATTENDANCE DUES**. A Catholic Education for your child is your right and **NO CHILD** should be denied that education because of financial circumstances. PLEASE – if you need assistance with your dues CONTACT ME and I can help in some way.

PTA MEETING – TONIGHT

Tonight – 7.30pm in the school library. See you there!

PIZZA LUNCHES THIS WEEK

Order forms available from the **OFFICE** with the details you need. Wednesday 11th – Junior Syndicate, Thursday 12th – Middles and on Friday 13th – Senior Syndicate. Orders **MUST** be returned with the correct **MONEY THE DAY BEFORE**.



JUST LOVING IT

Our Juniors are having a ball on the new Discovery Playground. Just brilliant! Apart from the play, there has been a “ton” of learning. Children are using sand and rocks for counting, maths, reading, story writing and performing plays. P.E – agility, balance, games and LOTS of great oral language, conversations and social skills like sharing, taking turns and including others.

HOMEWORK CLUB AT ST PATRICK’S – STARTS TOMORROW

For Year 3 – 8 pupils Wednesday’s from **3.15 – 4.00pm**, food provided. Two teachers will be available in the **SCHOOL LIBRARY** to assist with school work and homework.

ALL STUDENTS NEED TO BE PICKED UP AT 4PM.

O le a toe amataliaina le homework club i le Aso Lulu 11 o Me i le 3.15 – 4.00pm.

O le a iai faiaoga e fesoasoani i meaoga ale fanau.

Fa’amolemole e tatau ona piki lou alo i le 4.00PM.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS – WE NEED YOU

Please consider standing for our Board of Trustees. Elections will be held over the next few weeks and we need **5** parents on our board. Contact me anytime if you want to find out more, I would appreciate your interest. Nomination forms have been posted out to families this week. Nominations close at **NOON** on the **20th MAY** and these need to be accompanied with a brief candidate statement from the nominee about his or her experience, qualifications etc.

STILL TOO HOT – WINTER UNIFORM CHANGEOVER

Pupils are now able to start wearing their winter uniform if they wish.

There will be a **‘3 week’ changeover period** where either summer or winter uniform can be worn. ALL PUPILS will be expected to be in **FULL AND CORRECT winter uniform** by **Monday 23rd May**.

STARTING THIS WEEK – SPORTY STUFF!

School Ripa Rugby, soccer, netball and hockey begin this week. Thank you coaches and parents for your generosity. Without it No sport!

SCHOOL SPONSORS – THANK YOU

At the back of this newsletter we are lucky to have a number of generous sponsors who support St Patrick’s School and **YOUR** children. We hope that in return, you consider supporting these sponsors.

THIS WEEK – NICHOL GLASS AND ALUMINIUM. For all your glass, glazing and aluminium joinery needs. Top quality, good prices and their children came to St Pats.... go and see them.

LAST WEEK’S QUIZ

7 days of the week

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Regards & Blessings

Jurek Wypych
PRINCIPAL