

11 October 2016

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

*Welcome back to our final Term for 2016.
It has been a very positive year so far and
this term will be a full and rewarding one."*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

NEW TO ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

We welcome two new juniors who began in A3 yesterday.

Luwvina Aluni joins her big sister Trustina here while **Maddison Yates** and her family are new to St Patrick's. We hope you both enjoy learning and making wonderful friends at St Patrick's School.

COOL AT SCHOOL

Our final "Cool" for term 3 was **Jamie Chamberlain**, a Year 8 pupil who is humble, hardworking, considerate, friendly and is also a TEENAGER!!

WELCOME TO TERM 4

We welcome Ms Edie Weber to room M8 (to replace Mr O'Neill) for the remainder of the year. The Senior Syndicate will be lead by Ms Dawson (M7).

CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

Results from last terms Junior and Middle Syndicate events –

JUNIOR

Year 1 – 1st Angus S, Charlie K, 2nd Maximillian H, Poesy Hyde, 3rd Harrisen E, Adelaide N.

Year 2 – 1st Jono M, Valerie N, 2nd Cooper B, Scarlett M, 3rd Brodie N, Asha T.

MIDDLE

Year 3 – 1st Leone C, Rosie S, 2nd Taika K, Sophie B, 3rd John D, Issy D.

Year 4 – 1st Jack B, Noah H, Paige J, 2nd Caitlin M-W, 3rd Oliver H, Geovanna P.

Year 5 – 1st Freddie S, Lauren D, 2nd Zac O, Lola P, 3rd William G, Alyssa O.

Year 6 – 1st Sam T, Georgia D, 2nd Cramer H, Brooke M, 3rd Hunter K, Leini B.

PTA MEETING – NEXT TUESDAY 18TH – 7.30PM

Join us for our "Happy Term" where we plan "Fun things" for our pupils and families.

Tuesday 18th October, 7.30pm in the staffroom.

SCHOOL GOSPEL VALUE FOR OCTOBER

This month our focus is on "RESPECT." As Christians, we should respect all that God has created (people, property, our environment) – we can do this in what we say and do (words and actions). Respect can start at home and at school. Our catch phrase will be...

TREAT OTHERS AS YOU WOULD LIKE THEM TO TREAT YOU.

GOOD LUCK CHEF'S

A senior team of students will represent St Patrick's at this years "Healthy Lunchbox" competition this Saturday at E.I.T. We won this last year so "no pressure" for **Emily Hendery, Kent Burgess, Ethan Grant** and **Quelin Tamihana-Joe**.

SCHOOL "FACEBOOK" PAGE

The school now has one facebook page that represents our whole school. Postings will go up to show the amazing things that are happenng at our awesome school.

Please check it out!

TERM 4 OPPORTUNITIES -SUMMER SPORTS BEGIN

This term our children will be involved in T-ball, Volleyball, Basketball, Hockey, Netball and Cricket. We are very grateful to all our coaches and encourage ALL parents to come along and support their children. We have a running club at lunchtimes for those children who would like to increase their fitness with Mr Wypych. The senior school begin their intensives programme next week and we also have choir, ukulele, guitar, junior and senior kapahaka groups. It is wonderful how many of our children are involved!

SUMMER UNIFORM CHANGEOVER – ROLL ON SUMMER!

Pupils are able to wear Summer Uniform **NOW** if they wish (getting warm). We expect all pupils to be in full and correct summer uniform in term 4 by Tuesday **25th October**.

Remember we sell: - Girls pinafores and skirts. Boys & Girls sweatshirts and sports shirts. The Warehouse stock the rest of the uniform requirements.

BARGAIN BOYS UNIFORM – FROM A SHOPAHOLIC

For 5/6 year old boys, they have small sizes at The Warehouse for grey shorts and summer shirts (blue polo) in the **BASICS BRAND**. Much cheaper than in the uniform area and will be OK for us.

ABACUS CALENDARS

Just a "heads up" we will be doing the Abacus Calendars again next term. Your child has been doing the ark work for them over the past few weeks. Ideal for **Christmas presents**. Orders will be coming home soon.

CONTACTING YOUR CHILD AT SCHOOL

If you need a message passed onto your child while they are at school, the office staff will do this for you. During class time, calls will not be put through to classrooms. If it is urgent – we will pass it on a.s.a.p. Thank you.

CLASS ORGANISATION FOR 2017 – CONTACT THE PRINCIPAL

We are beginning the process of organising classes / teachers for next year. Please contact **me personally** by **Friday 28 October** if you need any issues considered that we may not already be aware of when placing your son / daughter in a class for 2017. If your child will **not be** at St Patrick's next year, I would appreciate it if you can inform us by **Friday 28 October** also.

NOTE: There will be staffing changes in 2017 which are as yet to be confirmed.

SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2017

We have a number of scholarships that our pupils are eligible for in 2017, they are:-

Tim Hannigan Jubilee Scholarship - \$250 awarded to a **Year 7 pupil** who displays the qualities and attitudes that reflect our school's Special Catholic Character.

P.T.A Year 6 Scholarships (5 at \$100 each) - awarded to pupils who will be in Year 7 in 2017. These pupils must live out our school motto "To Live Justly." This includes Fair Play, classroom diligence and attitude, sense of community and service to the school.

FUNNY THAT – What is a tadpole after it is a week old? (Two weeks old).

Regards & Blessings

Jurek Wypych
PRINCIPAL

