

22 November 2016

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

**NEW TREASURES AT ST PATRICK'S**

Since I've been away we have welcomed **Lochlan & Xavier McKenzie A3, Anna Moiola A3, Micah Jardine M7, Pietra Ribeiro-Kelly A3, Hunter Hobby SM10 and Austin Hobby SM9** to St Patrick's. May you all enjoy learning and making life long friends.

**NEW TO OUR WORLD**

Congratulations to Tracey and Steven Flynn on the arrival of Ryan, a little brother for Jaymie and Kara.

**COOL AT SCHOOL**

**Michael Pollard** was last week's proud recipient of this award. He has a great enthusiasm that is contagious, just like his sense of humour and caring attitude.

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE – 10 TICKETS OUT TODAY**

Each family has received a "Raffle Sheet" today with 10 tickets to sell at **\$1** each.

**10 FANTASTIC PRIZES** donated by **CARING SPONSORS**. Proceeds will be used to make up Christmas hampers for a number of families in our OWN school community.

Can all tickets and money be returned (sold or not) to school by **Wednesday 7 December**.

More tickets are available from the school office if you need once your sheet has been returned. **PLEASE** – put your family name on the sheet **BEFORE** you return it.

Thank you for your generosity, something to be proud of at St Patrick's School.

**COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2017**

We are very proud of ALL our Year 8 students and wish them all the best for 2017 and their college years. Particular mention to those who have been awarded scholarships.

**ST JOHN'S COLLEGE**

**Jordan Martin, Shea Brooking, Max Ceselli, Josiah McFarland and Kere Penitito.**

**SACRED HEART COLLEGE**

**Courtney Beams, Amy-Jay Lawson and Lydia Healey.**

Both our Catholic Colleges are excellent and I am pleased to say that the majority of our students are carrying on their education in these Catholic schools.

**FAMILY SCHOOL PICNIC – NEXT THURSDAY**

Join us THURSDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER on our school field (5.00 – 8.00pm) for a fun evening.

Bring a picnic or a few dollars (Hells Pizza, hot chips, sausage sizzle and iceblocks for sale) and enjoy a few items from students (and staff) and each others company.

ALL THE FAMILY INVITED.

**A MORNING TEA TO SAY THANK YOU TO "YOU"**

On **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December** our Year 8 pupils will be hosting a **MORNING TEA** for **ALL PARENTS, COACHES, HELPERS** to say thank you for all you have done for our school this year. If you have coached a team, helped in the classroom, helped with swimming, sports, transport, etc – **THIS IS FOR YOU** and it is our way of saying that we appreciate all you do for us. Mark it on your calendar and we will see you on the 1<sup>st</sup>.



**JUNIOR SCHOOL JAUNT!**

The junior school enjoyed their morning at the beach in Ahuriri, until the huge downpour! The fish and chip lunch afterwards a hit too. Thanks to all of the wonderful people who helped us with this trip.



**SCHOOL DISCO - THIS FRIDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

The theme is 'All around the world'

Juniors 3.30-4.30pm

Middles 5.00-6.30pm

Seniors 7.00-9.00pm

Juniors cost \$2 entry OR \$5 for a goodie bag includes entry, chippies and a drink.

Middles/Seniors \$2 entry bring extra money for chips \$1.50 and drinks \$1.50.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

**END OF YEAR EVENTS / PRIZEGIVING 2016**

8<sup>th</sup> December – End of Year School Mass – **9.30am St Patrick's Church**

8<sup>th</sup> December – Year 8 leaver's dinner

15 December – Syndicate Prizegivings / farewell Assemblies

**11.00am** – Middle Syndicate in School Hall

**12.00** – Junior Syndicate in Hall (stay for lunch)

**7.00pm** – Senior Syndicate at St Patrick's Church

**16 December – End of Term. School finishes at 12.30 (No Afterschool Care)**

**Community Notices**

**SUMMER READING PROGRAMME – BE IN QUICK**

For children aged 4 – 11, held from **12<sup>th</sup> December to 20<sup>th</sup> January 2017**. Enrolments start at Napier or Taradale Library on the 10<sup>th</sup> December (and it's free!). Be in quick places are limited.

**HOUSE WANTED TO RENT**

3 / 4 bedroom home for one of our school families. Please contact Atalua 021 088 60970.

**FUNNY THAT**

What do you call a monkey with a sweet tooth? A meringue – outang.

Take care and enjoy this weather

Jurek Wypych  
PRINCIPAL