

7 March 2017

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

“Charity begins at home, and JUSTICE begins next door.”

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

#### OUR LATEST TAONGA

We welcome **Sarah Steele** (A3) and her family to St Patrick’s School. May you enjoy learning and making lifelong friends.

#### COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to **Aliyah King** – a Year 7 student who is respectful, shares her talents and is always fair and welcoming. A beautiful role model for our students.

#### EPRO8 – CHAMPIONS AGAIN!

Our senior team of **Oscar Cooper, Finn Downing, Lily Burt** and **Georgia Allen** won the Intermediate School’s Technology Challenge last week with a late devastating bout of creative genius to edge past Napier and Hastings Intermediate on the scoreboard. Great team work guys.

#### ST PATRICK’S DAY – NEXT FRIDAY

We **celebrate** our Patron Saint with a day of activities on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup>**. We begin with **Mass, 9am** in the hall followed by Tabloid Sports after morning break at 11am. We ask **PUPILS TO WEAR SOMETHING GREEN (can be a top, shorts, hat, scarf etc)** on the day, so no school uniform. You are most welcome to join us for the Mass and Tabloids. The PTA are providing a treat at lunch time after the tabloid sports. Should be a day to enjoy.

#### SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

These were sent out LAST WEEK. Please pay a.s.a.p as we have to pay our bills also. If you need to make arrangements to pay this off over the year, or need SOME ASSISTANCE – please **contact me** and something can be worked out. Thank you.

#### PROUD OF OUR PAST PUPILS

It is always heartening to hear that our ex-pupils are doing well in high school. Results from 2016 at Sacred Heart show that St Patrick’s School provides a great platform for future success.

**2017 School Leaders:** Amy Gibson, Kathryn O’Malley, Daman Parhar.

**Scholarship Recipient:** Meg Bryan (Geography)

**NCEA Excellence Level 1:** Grace Burrell, Monica Cacho-Bevin, Alena Kamper, Ella White-Shaw. **Level 2:** Amy Gibson, Rebecca Moge, Kathryn O’Malley. **Level 3:** Meg Bryan, Mackenzie Halbert.

**NCEA Merit Level 1:** Olivia Adegoke, Holly Chamberlain, Madison McDowell, Charissa Patterson. **Level 2:** Bridget Hannan, Alexee McCarthy, Daman Parhar, Ava Powell.

**Level 3:** Nicola Crompton, Shannon Johnstone, Tarryn Jones, Tamzin Lee, Sophia McAlley, Kristen Truman.

#### PTA MEETING – NEXT TUESDAY (14 MARCH)

Join us at **7.30pm** in the staffroom on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>** for **YOUR** PTA meeting. Discussing funding each syndicate for “those extras” as well as sports uniforms and Technology.

**SEE YOU THERE**

#### GOSPEL VALUE FOR MARCH

Our focus this month is “**JUSTICE.**” This takes many forms and is shown in the way that Jesus would have modelled through his actions, words and attitudes. How can we be “just” – how can we be more like Jesus?

“**Tika – Justice**” The right and proper thing to do.

#### I.C.A.S TEST FOR 2017

The International Competitions and Assessments for school age pupils (Year 5 – 8) are open to pupils who **have ability** in particular curriculum areas. Tests in Digital Technologies, Science, Writing, Spelling, English and Maths are available. Entry forms and information available from YOUR TEACHER or the office. Entry form and money must be in by **17 March (NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED.)**



#### SAUSAGE SIZZLE – THIS THURSDAY

An easy lunch and good value too! Raising funds to help our Representative Basketball Team

**\$1.50 a sausage. Please bring money / order to your class teacher by 9am Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March**

#### COMMUNITY NOTICES

- **EATS, BEATS AND TREATS – A GOOD FAMILY NIGHT**  
A family event at **ST JOHN’S COLLEGE, FRIDAY 17 MARCH** from 5.30pm. Music, foodstalls, crafts for sale. Plenty of variety and entertainment.
- **NEED A SKILLED WORKER = JOB WANTED** – Wanted a part-time job. Has I.T skills, database experience, accountancy & financial skills. Very experienced with great work ethic – call Robert Moioli 0221030847
- **HOUSE FOR RENT NEEDED** – 4/5 bedrooms, contact Atalua Aluni 02108860970 or 02108351798.

#### CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARD ATTENDANCE DUES

You would have received your account (**\$447**) from Palmerston North by now. Come and **SEE ME** if you need to discuss assistance in paying this. **I CAN HELP** as **EVERY CHILD** has a right to be educated at St Patrick’s School and these fees should **NOT** be a barrier.

#### CLARINET LESSONS

Are available on Thursdays to Year 7 & 8 students. Year 5 & 6 may apply if there are vacancies. The cost is **\$50** which covers lessons and clarinet hire. Go to the Afcare Room this Thursday at lunchtime if you are interested.

#### HAVE YOU HEARD THE ONE ABOUT.....?

Do fish get colds?

Yes ....but only on a small scale.

Regards & Blessings

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