

25 July 2017

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

Welcome back to what promises to be a fabulous Term 3.

Children came back yesterday in great spirits.

We are truly blessed to have such wonderful children at St Patrick's.

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,



NEW TO THE WORLD

Congratulations to Angela & David Briggs on the safe arrival of Elijah during the school holidays. A little brother for Maia and a beaming Leini.

WELCOME TO OUR LATEST TREASURES

Three new students began yesterday.

In Room A3 we welcome **Zenika van Schoor** and her family to St Patrick's School. She looks beautiful in her uniform.

All the way from Christchurch we welcome **Eli Harvey** (A1) and his family. Napier is a great place to live.

We also welcome **Jiyanna Siji** and her family to St Patrick's. She is in SJ15 and looks to have settled in beautifully.

Welcome also **Mrs Toni Jensen** to St Patrick's School, our latest staff member. Toni will be teaching in A3 with Mrs Thompson (Monday - Thursday mornings). This means our New Entrants will continue to have the best possible start to their schooling at St Patrick's.

COOL AT SCHOOL

At the end of last term we acknowledged **Blake Proudfoot**, a Year 4 student who has made an impact on others with his compassion and understanding. Blake is a great friend and when he sees someone is upset or struggling he does something to help them. Words AND Actions!

1ST COMMUNION / RECONCILIATION 2017

St Thomas More, St Mary's and St Patrick's Faith Communities are preparing to celebrate these Sacraments. If you wish your child (Year 3 and above) to take part in preparing for these, enrolment forms are available from the School Office. The forms need to be returned to school or to the secretary of the Catholic Parish of Napier.

GRANDPARENTS LITURGY (SPREAD THE WORD)

Our annual and ever-popular GRANDPARENTS LITURGY will be held on **Friday 4 August**. The Junior Syndicate (Rooms A1, A2, A3, A4) celebrate this beautifully and we always finish off with a picnic lunch. So spread the word and we'll see you here on the **4th - 12.00** in the school hall and afterwards for lunch.



WHANAU GROUP MEETING - NAU MAI, HAERE MAI

The whanau group has been established to provide support, ideas and advice to the Principal, Board of Trustees and teaching team at St Patrick's School that contributes towards our tamariki enjoying and achieving educational success. We will gather in the staffroom on Wednesday 9th August at 5.30pm. We welcome the involvement of all parents and whanau. If this is something you would like to be part of please contact Meredith Ellingham at mellingham@stpatsnapier.school.nz or just turn up. We would love to see you and make this a success for your tamariki, whanau and kura.

Kia pai to ra (have a great day).

PARENTS/STUDENTS/TEACHER INTERVIEWS - FOR YOU!

These are being held at school on **MONDAY 7 AUGUST** from 3.15 - 8.30pm and **TUESDAY 8 AUGUST**, 3.15 - 5.30pm.

These interviews are for all students except those in A3 (Mrs Thompson). We would like your child to attend as they will have an important role in leading the Interview and talking about their learning.

THIS YEAR YOU NEED TO BOOK YOUR INTERVIEW ON-LINE

(It is easy as even I can do it!)

To book your interviews, go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code and enter the event code: **v9bpr**

If you don't have internet access, please call the school office 843 9238 and speak to Marie or Sharon and they will be able to make a booking for you.

Thanks for your support. We look forward to your child being able to share their learning with you.

SCHOOL PHOTOS 2017

These happen on **Wednesday 9th August**. Information packs with your child's name pre-printed on the order form will follow soon. Orders with **PAYMENT** need to be into the school office by **FRIDAY 4th August**. All cheques should be made out to "Photo Life Studio Ltd."

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE OPEN EVENING - THIS SUNDAY

For **ALL YEAR 7/8 BOYS**. A chance to view St John's College at their **OPEN EVENING, SUNDAY 30 JULY - 6PM**. Not only a Catholic Education but an **EXCELLENT** education in a caring and supportive environment.

Regards & Blessings

Jurek Wypych
PRINCIPAL

