

27 March 2018

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

There will be no school newsletter next week but..... There will be a Sausage Sizzle on **Thursday 5th April (\$1.50 – great lunch) and a small wheels day on Friday 6 April.**



OUR LATEST ARRIVAL

We welcome Christie Taealii and her family to the St Patrick's School whanau. Christie started last week in M10 and has already made a great group of friends.

COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations Oliver Hollands, a Year 6 student whose work ethic, initiative, collaboration and leadership make him a wonderful person and classmate.

EASTER AND HOLY WEEK – THE "REASON FOR THE SEASON"

For us as a Catholic School, this week is the most important one in our calendar year. On Holy Thursday (29th) we will be visited by St John's College at 10.15am as they re-create the "Passion Walk" from Napier to Hastings, mirroring the "Stations of the Cross" and the journey Jesus took on his way to Calvary. Our school will be involved in Holy Thursday Reflections throughout the day as we remember with our students the importance of this week.

So..... **HOW DO WE PREPARE FOR EASTER?**

We are now in our final days preparation for the great festivals of Holy Week – **Holy Thursday**, when Christ instituted the Blessed Eucharist, **Good Friday**, when He took upon Himself the full weight of our sins as He died on the Cross, and **Easter Sunday** when having buried our sinfulness, He rose to New Life and promised New Life to us. Easter joy comes with the realization that Christ lives His New Life in us. Simply let the risen Christ into your heart. He is longing to be invited in. Then you will feel His joy which lifts you up and carries you when necessary.

WHAT TO DO.....

Make sure you **celebrate Mass** with your family – what better way to recognise Easter Sunday and affirm your reason for sending your child to a Catholic School.

SCHOOL OPEN / CLOSED

School is closed from **Good Friday (30th)** and is open again on **Wednesday 4 April.**

SUNHATS HOME

Sunhats can go home this week. Keep them handy for Term 4, (name them please).

SPORTS COACHES

With cricket and T.ball finishing last weekend (some great results) and basketball, hockey and volleyball winding up for the term/season, I would like to acknowledge and thank **ALL COACHES** for their skills, time and enthusiasm. Our children are very lucky that you gave them the opportunity to play sport. **THANK YOU**

THANK YOU

To ALL PARENTS / CAREGIVERS who have either paid or are paying off their SCHOOL ACCOUNTS. We rely on this money to run OUR school and provide YOUR children with a varied, stimulating, quality education. **THANK YOU.**

ATHLETICS SPORTS LAST WEEK

Last Wednesday our Junior and Middle Syndicates held their athletics sports in beautiful weather. Thank you to staff for your organisation, students for your participation, effort and sportsmanship and parents / grandparents / siblings, etc for your encouragement.



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Happy Easter – May God Bless You All

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