

26 October 2010

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

*“God gives every bird his worm,
but he does not throw it into the next”
“Swedish proverb”*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

A number of our pupils sat I.C.A.S exams recently. Thousands of pupils across N.Z sit these exams, and to receive recognition is a real achievement.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: **Mia McCulloch** (Y5) **Shannon Johnston** (Y7)

Sophie Wong and **Kate Burrows** (Y8) – all **Credit passes in English.**

Congratulations also to **Alice Cameron, Credit pass in Mathematics.**

JOIN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE

This **Thursday, 9am** in our Sacred Space as they celebrate Mass together. Your support is much appreciated, stay for a cuppa afterwards.

JUNIOR SYNDICATE

All our junior classes are visiting the Faraday Centre this week as part of their Inquiry unit ‘Old and New’. Thankyou to all parents who are helping with transport and supervision and of course, thankyou teachers, for organizing this learning opportunity outside the school grounds.

MEETING JUST FOR YOU!

Join the P.T.A **next Wednesday 3rd** November at 7.30pm for their November meeting as we discuss ways to make our school a better place for YOUR children.

We have a wonderful dedicated group of parents involved – we would like you to be a part of this.

BANDANAS FOR SALE FOR CHILD CANCER - A VERY WORTHY CAUSE

Bandana's are for sale from the school office until the 30th October, **\$4 each**
Children will be able to wear them at school during in Bandana week:-**26 – 30th October**

SOLVING THAT CHRISTMAS PRESENT PROBLEM –

We are once again producing “Children’s Art Calendars” this year through Abacus Calendars. Cost is **\$8** – they will be in full colour. Pupils are currently doing the art work for their calendars. Order forms were sent out last week (more available from office) You can view your child’s art (**before you order**) **from 19 – 29 October** in your child’s classroom. An ideal present – especially for Grandparents. Orders close **3 November**. Make cheques out to **St Patrick’s School PTA**. Money **must** come in with orders. Each child has their **own** order form (payment can be combined).

SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2011

We are in the process of shortlisting candidates:-

We have a number of scholarships that our pupils are eligible for in 2011, 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 2011. 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.



CLASS ORGANISATION FOR 2011 – CONTACT THE PRINCIPAL

We are beginning the process of organising classes / teachers for next year. Please contact **me personally** by Friday 5 November if you need any issues considered that we may not already be aware of when placing your son / daughter in a class for 2011. If your child will not be at St Patrick’s next year, I would appreciate it if you can inform us by Friday 5 November also.

NOTE: There will be staff changes in 2011 which are as yet to be confirmed.

SUMMER UNIFORM

ALL PUPILS – should now be wearing the **CORRECT SCHOOL SUMMER UNIFORM**. Thank you for being proud of your school.

All WEARING SUNHATS

Every pupil is expected to wear their sunhat. From **Monday November 1st** – **NO HAT** means **NO PLAY**. Please support us in keeping **YOUR CHILD** sun safe

STATIONERY FOR 2011

We will once again be providing stationery packs for pupils next year. This is both cost effective (as we get a good bulk deal) and efficient, as every child starts on day 1 with the **CORRECT** books and stationery. You receive an account for this and any other school costs in March. If you would rather search the book stores during January for your own stationery. **PLEASE CONTACT ME BY 13 NOVEMBER**. We will provide a list of the **CORRECT REQUIRED STATIONERY** to you before the end of term.

TARADALE / TAMATEA BUSS PASSES – TERM 4

ALL PUPILS using this **bus MUST** have a term pass, or 20 ride concession or a day trip ticket.

This is a subsidized service and is also user-pays. Remember: **NO Pass – No Ride**



The Moving Rubbish Bin

One day just as the sun was going down Josh and Clyde were playing in Clyde’s room. Clyde had invited Josh for a sleep over. Just then Clyde’s mother calls from downstairs “Clyde take out the rubbish”. Clyde lead Josh out the door, down the stairs to take out the rubbish. They went out the door and went into the garage “WHAT A MESS!” the bin was upside down, all the rubbish was out on the ground and the lid was on the other side of the room. It looked like someone had knocked it over and then put it back upside down. Just then the rubbish bin moved towards the car. The boys froze it moved again until it hit the wall. The boys raced back inside to tell Clyde’s parents. “Wait” said Josh “they won’t believe us,” “True” Clyde said, we just need to see what’s underneath that bin, I doubt it’s a ghost. They both walked out slowly trying to walk behind each other. When they got to the door they had built up their confidence and walked straight up to the bin, but then the bin moved away from them. Josh and Clyde looked at each other, they walked up to the bin and lifted it up and underneath was Clyde’s cat. They both laughed at the fact they were scared of a cat and also because the cat had an old banana skin on it’s head. Oh ok let’s clean this mess up Clyde giggled.

Daniel SM 12



Regards & Blessings
Ka kik ano. Tofa soifua, cheers,

Jurek Wypych
PRINCIPAL