



# ST PATRICK'S NEWSLETTER

27 October 2020

"Respect others, but above all else, YOURSELF."

*In a Catholic way we learn today for tomorrow*

I hope your all had a great long weekend and got the things you wanted done – DONE!

## **OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS**

Our prayers and thoughts are with the Prietos family as they prepare for the funeral of their beautiful young daughter this Thursday. Xanthe's little sister Zoie. May you find comfort in the memories you have of Zoie. She is now with the angels.

## **WELCOME TO THE WORLD**

Congratulations to Esther and Chade on the safe arrival of their beautiful daughter Flora last week.

A little sister for a very proud and beaming big brother, Flynn.

Congratulations also to Terri and Damian on the birth of Noah last week. A little brother for Dylan, Mikaylah and Thalia.

## **ST PATS HAS TALENT – FINALS TOMORROW**

Tomorrow afternoon (1.30pm in the school hall) 10 finalists will be competing for the "2020 St Pats Has Talent" final. All organised and run by our students... absolutely brilliant. You are most welcome to come and watch the talent (varied) unfold.

## **OUR OWN CHAMPION**

Congratulations to **Jyde Low** (Year 7) who competed in the Lower North Island Duathlon (14 k mountain bike and 6 k run) 14 – 15yr old (he is 12) champs in CHB over the weekend. He was **FIRST** and over a minute ahead of the second place getter. Great sportsman and humble with it.



## **SWIMMING SPORTS – YEAR 5/6 THIS FRIDAY**

The St Joseph's whanau hold their swimming sports this Friday **30 October at 9.30am** at the Onekawa Pools. You are most welcome to come and support your children.

## **SCHOOL MASS – SUNDAY 8 NOVEMBER**

We will hold our **ONLY** Sunday Mass for 2020 as a School Community.

We expect all students and families to make their best effort to attend and support the reason why you enrolled at St Patrick's School – our Catholic Character. A large number of students will be involved in the Mass in various ways and **All STUDENTS** will be involved in the celebration. School uniform is to be worn so lets **PACK OUT THE CHURCH!**

It will be well worth going – a great feeling.

## **SUMMER IS HERE.....SUNHATS & SANDALS**

With the weather warming we ask students to start wearing school sunhats over the next 2 weeks. From **2 NOVEMBER**, Year 1 – 7 students are expected to wear sandals (Year 8 students can still continue wearing shoes). And **ALL STUDENTS** are expected to wear a **SCHOOL SUNHAT** (\$10) as we will have a **"No hat, No Play"** policy.

## **MARIST WHANAU – SENIOR INTENSIVES**

Beginning this Friday afternoon until Friday 4 December. All our senior students will be involved in a variety of activities known as "Intensives".

Thank you to all parents, teachers and others who are either organising or taking activities.... Without you we would not be able to do this.

Activities are: Table Tennis, Aquarium, Squash, Fishing, Golf, Bayskate, Bike riding, Macrame, Cooking, Drawing, Photography, Mural painting – plenty of variety there.

## **LOUD FENCES MOVEMENT**

This movement began around the country 18 months ago to show solidarity with abuse victims of the past. Coloured ribbons are hung of fences to show this solidarity (please do not remove as this could be seen as disrespectful).

On 7 November an event is planned to tie ribbons outside the school gates, you may attend if you wish.

## **SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2021**

We have a number of scholarships that our pupils are eligible for in 2021, they are:- (no application needed)

**Betty Crawford Scholarships** – (2x \$750) to a Year 8 boy and girl continuing on their Catholic Education at High School Level.

**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 & Principal's Scholarships (6 at \$100 each)** - awarded to pupils who will be in Year 7 in 2021. 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.

## **SCHOOL NEWS**

### **SCHOOL CLOSED FRIDAY 27 NOVEMBER**

Please mark this date on your calendar.

Teachers will have a day looking at assessment and reporting for your children.

### **HOUSE WANTED TO RENT**

A 1 – 2 bedroom house wanted for a mum and her daughter. Please phone Lisa 0273377347.

**Regards and Blessings**

**Jurek Wypych**  
**PRINCIPAL**