

ST PATRICK'S NEWSLETTER

13rd December 2021



"JOY" is what happens to us when we allow ourselves to recognize how good things really are"

In a Catholic way we learn today for tomorrow

Our final newsletter for 2021. Another COVID year that we still are coming to grips with. We have a great school and community, and I am proud of how we have all worked together this year to keep our pupils safe, happy, and learning. A special thankyou to our staff - you "are" the difference.

LUCKY LAST, OUR FINAL TREASURE

We welcome to A4, Otila Muagututia who began last week. She joined big sister Siniva for the last two weeks, before Siniva heads off to Sacred Heart College in 2022. Enjoy St Pats Otila.

COOL AT SCHOOL – AT LAST

Final chance for 2021 (and 8 years at school) we congratulate BOTH **Connor Brotherton** and **Harshmeen Parmar** who have had a great 8 years at St Pats, been wonderful ambassadors for the school and have grown to be lovely people. All the best.

MUFTI DAY TOMORROW

A special treat for our children - **NO UNIFORM Tuesday 14th**.

END OF YEAR EVENTS/DATES

A somewhat change of format this year due to COVID restrictions but we will make the best of the situation and still celebrate to blessings and success 2021 have brought us.

14th December: Students End of Year Reports home

15th December: 11.00am Year 8 Leavers medal ceremony

15th December: 6.00pm – Year 8 Leavers Dinner

16th December: Last Day – School ends at **12.30pm**
(no Afcare, buses run at **12.30**)

END OF YEAR REPORTS – TOMORROW

These will be given to pupils on Tuesday 14th December at School and should be opened at home with you. Please be positive about the reports when you discuss them with your child.

There has been some great progress made by your children this year.

LOOKING FOR A PART-TIME JOB?

We have a vacancy in our AFTER-SCHOOL CARE (AFCARE) beginning 2nd February 2022. 8 hours per week, Monday to Friday 3pm - 4.30pm. If you are interested, please contact me on 027 7507807 or the school number, 843 9238.

2021 PRIZEGIVING

We held our Year 5-8 Prizegiving ceremony last Friday. A wonderful celebration of achievements, dedication, and the hard work our students have displayed in 2021.

MAJOR AWARDS

YEAR 5/6- ST JOSEPHS WHANAU

Fair Play Sport: - **Ava Mitchell**

General Excellence Sport: - **Hana Symes**

Aleethia Keys Trophy: - (St Pats Way) **Ruby Quane**,

General Excellence: - Year 6 - **Hannah Lunn**

PTA Scholarship: - (\$100) **Ruby Quane, Eli Harvey,**

Emma Dickenson, Kira Velandria, Oliver Fisher

Principals Scholarship: - (\$100) **Dean Mayer**

YEAR 7/8-MARIST WHANAU

Year 7 - Monsignor Tim Award (\$250) - **Raven Lawton**

Year 7 - General Excellence - **Lily Hicks**

Year 8 - Betty Crawford Scholarship (\$750 each) **Tom**

Mayer and **Katie Hardgrave**

Year 8 - General Excellence - **Ella Mitchell**

Year 8 - Academic Excellence - **Tamas Madarazs-Smith**

Congratulations to all the above and all students who were recognised at Prizegiving. We are very proud of you all.

FAREWELL AND GOOD LUCK TO OUR YEAR 8s

What an amazing group of young adults. Thank you for a great year of leadership and for all you have done during your time here at St Patrick's. Everyone of you is a blessing and we all wish you the best for your High School years. **WE WILL MISS YOU ALL X**

LAST DAY FOR SCHOOL 2021- THURSDAY

We finish school at **12.30** on **Thursday 16th December**.

There will be no afternoon AFCARE.

All buses will run at **12.30**. Please make sure you pick up your children at **12.30**.

START DATE FOR 2022

First day back for students is:

WEDNESDAY 2nd FEBRUARY – 8.45AM

The office will be open:

TUESDAY 1st FEBRUARY 9am – 3pm for uniforms, enrolments, etc.

Thank you all for the support you have given us this year. On behalf of all the staff at St Patrick's School, Have a safe, happy, and holy Christmas.

Regards and blessing to you all

Jurek Wypych
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