28 May 2013 In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

"Life isn't always fair but it's great to be alive."

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

OUR LATEST TREASURE

We welcome **Dylan Arnold** to St Patrick's School. Dylan is in A1 and joins big sister Melissa here. Enjoy learning and making new friends.

COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to **Georgia Jones**, a Year 2 pupil who is "cool" for being always helpful, showing initiative and for her wonderful schoolwork. A great role model at an early age.

FAREWELL AND THANK YOU MR WARREN

Mr Warren has decided that this term will be his last at St Patrick's. When he arrives back from overseas late in June he will have 3 weeks in M5 before the holiday break and then try his hand at something new.

John has taught at St Patrick's for 20 years and in that time he has mentored hundreds of pupils and made an impression on thousands. He has always been supportive, caring and dedicated. We wish him all the best for the future.

CHILD CANCER BADGES

We have Child Cancer Badges for sale in the school office **\$2 each.** A very worthy cause and one which affects many NZ families.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS – LAST WEEK!

You should have all received voting papers in the post. Please vote by <u>noon</u> on the <u>30th May.</u> and thank you to our nominated candidates:- Gerard Cook, Ken Cooper,

Teenica Grant, Catherine Roberts, Phil Ryan, Bevan Walker and David Kamper. FIREWISE

Our Junior Syndicate begin their Firewise Study this week. Be prepared to answer questions, especially the "Escape Plan" you have for your house in case of fire and the "smoke alarm" question also! (A heads up!)

A FUNDRAISING IDEA – WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Can you or someone you know provide a **cool** means of transport to school?... a vintage car, a horse and cart, a brand new 2012/2013 V6 or V8, a Hot Rod....

The PTA are running "A Raffle for a Ride" fundraiser where children can win a ride to school. We have already secured a Fire Truck and a Police Car and need volunteers that can provide something special to take a student to school in on either the 9th, 10th or 11 July. We are fundraising for IT equipment and need your help. If you can provide a ride to school in something a bit special, please ring Belinda on 976.2238 (evenings) or 021.115.7701.

P.S – Mr Wypych is also offering a ride in his "other car" that hardly sees daylight (with breakfast thrown in!)

TRIVIA QUIZ NIGHT - A FUN NIGHT OUT

Friday 28th June 7:30pm, School Hall.

Teams of 4 (\$20 entry)

Supper provided, bar facilities, great prizes and funds raised for YOUR CHILDREN! (computers in classrooms)

Phone School Office 843.9238 to register your team (limited to 25 teams)

KEEPING YOUR CHILDREN SAFE FROM DRIVERS!

I am concerned by the number of **BAD DECISIONS** some parents are making when they are dropping off or picking up children at school. The road is dangerous enough without you adding to it. So **PLEASE REMEMBER:-**

1) DO USE THE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

Don't call your children across the road – a few seconds saved is not worth a life!

- 2) **DON'T** do **U-TURNS** in front of the school.
- 3) DON'T PARK ON YELLOW LINES

We will ask the police to keep an eye on the road outside our school. **THANK YOU.**

PUIPUI TOU FANAU IA SAOGALEMU MAI AVE TA'AVALE

Lagona le popole tele, le toatele o matua ele fuafua ma mafaufau lelei pea aumai tou fanau i le aoga i le taeao ma le auauli.

Na tou te silafia ina le pisi ma le faigata o le aualatele, ae toe fa'aupopo mai ma outou.

FAAMOLEMOLE MANATUA

- 1) Fa'aaoga le kolosi paepae, aua le valaau mai le fanau e kolosi le auala. Nai setone, ae taua le sefe ma saogalemu le ola o le fanau.
- 2) Sa foi na toe liliu ni ta'avale i luma o le aoga.
- 3) Sa le paka i le laina samasama.

Ua iai se fuafuaga talanoa i leoleo ile vaaiga o le auala i fafo atu o le aoga i lea taimi. Fa'afetai

HOUSE TEAMS AT ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

We have 4 house teams at St Patrick's – your child is in one of them – **do you know which one?** Here is a brief history of each to explain why they are significant to us.

FOREST (Green) Father John Forest was one of the original priests ordained in Lyon, France 1830. Arrived in N.Z 1842 and in Napier 1859. Was instrumental in setting up the Parish of Napier. In 1859 opened a parish school (**us**). Served for 25 years as Parish Priest, was the first priest in N.Z to celebrate his golden jubilee. Died in 1884 and is buried on Cemetery Hill Napier. **BARBIER** (Red) Euphrasie Barbier founded the "Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions." These Sisters arrived in N.Z in 1865 and taught in our schools (St Patrick's, Sacred Heart & St Josephs) for over 150 years.

MARCELLIN (Blue) Marcellin Champagnat was one of the first group of Marist priests ordained in Lyon. He later founded a religious group for men known as the Marist Brothers. 4 Brothers came to Napier in 1878. Our school was once called "Marist School" as you can see on our front gates near Kennedy Road.

AUBERT (Gold) Suzanne Aubert came from France early 1800's. She served as a Missionary in the Pacific before coming to Meeanee. She lived behind St Mary's Church in Meeanee Road. She was one of "The Sisters of Compassion" and in her pastoral work included many people, in particular the Maori community.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK - NEED A BUILDER?

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Enjoy the long weekend Tofa soifua THIS WEEK'S QUIZ

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