11 November 2014

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

"Sometimes your JOY is the source of your smile, but sometimes your smile can be the source of your JOY!"

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SACRED HEART COLLEGE

More success for our senior girls this time with three being awarded scholarships at Sacred Heart for 2015. They are **Pania Hutana**, **Sarah O'Malley** and **Bridget Kelly**. Well done girls – proud of you (always).

FIRST COMMUNION AT THOMAS MORE THIS SUNDAY

We congratulate and pray for **Teuila Apineru-Penitito** as she prepares to receive the Eucharist for the first time **this Sunday** 8am at **Thomas More Church.** A proud moment for her and her family.

OFF TO WAKARARA - AND THE 'SUNRISE' CLIMB

Over the next two weeks, our Year 4 - 5 pupils head off to Camp Wakarara to experience the great outdoors. This is a brilliant camping experience with the walk up to "Sunrise Hut" being a challenge to overcome and remember. Thank you to Mrs Smith, Ms Macdonald, Mrs Kelleher and Ms Sutton for organising this camp and the MANY PARENTS who have donated food, support and most of all, your time by helping out at the camp. Good luck to all, enjoy the friendships, scenery and experience.

SCHOOL HALL CLOSED FOR 2014

Due to our "new build" the school hall will be out of action for the remainder of the year. This has implications for school activities such as assemblies, concerts, sports etc. We will have to re-organise end of year activities and even cancel some (such as our planned Cultural Evening). End of year assemblies / prizegivings for our Junior and Middle Syndicates will be simplified. We will let you know as soon as we have made new plans.

HOW SAFE IS YOUR CHILD AT HOME?

With the wide-spread use of the internet and social-media many young users can be vulnerable or at risk if their use is not monitored by parents. Our <u>school website</u> (<u>www.stpatsnapier.school.nz</u>) has a new feature "CYBERSAFETY" that has great advice and information for parents and children plus video clips to view and discuss together. Go to our <u>website</u> and 'click' on "LINKS OF INTEREST" - YOU JUST NEVER KNOW.....?

INTER-ISLANDER VOUCHER

Many thanks to everyone – we raised \$150 to go towards classroom equipment.

GOSPEL VALUE FOR NOVEMBER

This month, we focus on the value of **JOY**. What a great value for our pupils – Joy is evident in both the playground and classroom. Our pupils can...

"Make every day joyful for yourselves and others"

MINUTE SECRETARY NEEDED

St Patrick's School Board of Trustees require a **MINUTE SECRETARY** to begin in February 2015. This is approximately 3 hours per month. Please contact the principal for more details. A highly confidential position suitable for a person with good computer and note taking skills.

SOLVING THAT CHRISTMAS PRESENT PROBLEM -

We are once again producing "Children's Art Calendars," "A5Diaries" AND "Kiddi notepads" through Abacus Calendars. Cost is **\$9 for Calendars**, **\$15 for Diaries & \$10 for Kiddi notepads.** They will be in full colour. Pupils are currently doing the art work for their calendars / diaries. You can view your child's art (before you order)
from 3 November – 14 November in your child's classroom. An ideal present –
especially for Grandparents. Order forms are coming home today. Orders close 14th
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).

HAVE YOU A CRAFTY STALL OR NEED A BOOT?

St Patrick's School PTA Craft & Boot Sale is being held on **Sunday 7th December**, **10am – 2pm.** So clear out the garage, book a site at the Boot Sale or if your handy and have craft items to sell book a Craft Site. Sites are **\$15** each. Enquiries to Kathleen 021.331.723 or Christine 021.147.7451.

CAN ANYONE HELP

One of our Junior student's needs transport from McNaughton Place, to and from school for the remainder of the term. The family is prepared to contribute to petrol costs. If you can help please contact Idis on 027.312.1863.

NAPIER OPERATIC THEATRE - A SHOW FOR YOU

Napier Operatic Theatre School are performing **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat** from the 14th – 22nd November at the Tabard Theatre, Coronation St, Ahuriri. Book your tickets at <u>www.ticketdirect.co.nz</u> or drop into the Tabard Theatre Costume Hire – **Adults \$20** & **Children (2 -16) \$15.** There are a number of St Patrick's pupils appearing on stage, so come along and give them your support.

Camp Memoir

The city was usual enough; it had A stadium, a zoo, an ocean, a sky over it, and even a little island.

We got to explore. My friends, my Parents and I

Did what we wanted to do - splashed

loudly in H2o extreme, bawled and frowned walking up the hills, smiled around circle of Friends, crept like spiders around the bushes.

Trying not to fall in the lake playing spotlight,

Heard loud monkeys, giggled or laughed.

Doing everything important.

Inspired by James K Baxter

Written by Peyton Halbert

LAST WEEK'S QUIZ

Not a winner!!!

Ka kite ano Regards and Blessings

Jurek Wypych PRINCIPAL THIS WEEK'S QUIZ

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