8 December 2015



In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow



Our final newsletter for 2015! Been a wonderful year. Thank you Teachers, students, PTA, B.O.T and parents.

Dear parents, pupils and parishioners,

END OF YEAR SCHOOL MASS - THIS THURSDAY

(10 DECEMBER) AT 9.30 am in ST PATRICK'S CHURCH as ALL OUR PUPILS celebrate Mass together and thank God for the many blessings 2015 has brought us.

SEE YOU THURSDAY!

COOL AT SCHOOL

We congratulate **Ishan Parmar**, a Year 7 pupil who really shows initiative and determination when it comes to learning. A great role model.



OOPS - A BABY

My apologies, Kim Somerville is leaving us next year to go on maternity leave. All the best Kim (number 2!)

THANK YOU MORNING TEA - TOMORROW

Tomorrow our Year 8 pupils will be hosting a **MORNING TEA** for **ALL PARENTS**, **COACHES**, **HELPERS** to say thank you for all you have done for our school this year.

THANK YOU TO THE WONDERFUL STAFF

I would like to thank all our teachers and support staff at St Patrick's School for making 2015 such a positive year. I hope our parents and children appreciate the care our staff show and the hard work they put into making sure that our children receive the best opportunities possible in a Catholic environment. They deserve a thank you and a well-earned break. Special farewell to Ashleigh, Jacinta and Anne Sutton.

OUR JUNIOR DISCOVERY AREA – YOUR HELP NEEDED

Next week will be a huge week for activity on the playground. All hands on deck! If you are able to offer skills, or just some time for labour at all during the week please contact Jamie Macphail on 0224639580 or email jamie@macphails.co..nz

AFCARE 2016

If you have fees owing from 2015 you will not be able to enrol your child/ren at St Patrick's Afcare in 2016. We have a waiting list.

NOTE: A new payment policy will be implemented in 2016.

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS – STILL OWING

Thank you to all those who have either paid off or are paying off your school account with an AP. Unfortunately we <u>STILL</u> have a number of families who have not yet paid their accounts. **PLEASE DO THIS WEEK** – save me an **UNPLEASANT** phone call next week.

CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK

Saturday 12th December Anderson Park, 3-9.30pm. Some of children will be performing with Dave Dobbyn. So bring a picnic and the family and enjoy the fun.

BASKETBALL RESULTS

St Pats Lightning came **1st** and the Tall Pats **3rd** in the Napier Intermediate Schools Basketball competition. Special thanks to Michelle Start and Bill Donkin for their wonderful coaching.

END OF YEAR PUPIL REPORTS AND PORTFOLIOS

These will be given to pupils on **Monday 14**th at school and should be opened <u>at home</u> <u>with you.</u> Please be positive about the reports when you discus them. There has been some great progress made by your children this year.

(The "next steps" are a guide for next year!) Your child's class and year level for 2016 is included in the report. Reports will be in your child's Pupil Portfolio.

Please note:-Year 8 reports will be given out at prizegiving on Tuesday 15th.

2016 CLASS ORGANISATION

Our class structure for 2016 will be:

JUNIOR SYNDICATE

Mrs Thompson (New Entrant) Ms Bevan (Y1) Mrs Campbell (Y1/2) Miss Dine (Y2) Mrs Williams / Nikolaison (Y3).

MIDDLE SYNDICATE

Ms Macdonald (Y4) Mrs Kelleher (Y4/5) Mr Weber (Y5/6) Mrs Smith (Y6).

SENIOR SYNDICATE

Mrs Webb (Y7) Miss Hewett (Y7) Miss Dawson (Y8) Mr O'Neill (Y8).

We will advertise for a replacement Deputy Principal in Term 1.

END OF YEAR EVENTS / PRIZEGIVING 2015

10th December – End of Year School Mass – 9.30am St Patrick's Church

10th December – Year 8 leaver's dinner

15 December – Syndicate Prizegivings / farewell Assemblies

11.00am – Middle Syndicate in School Hall

12.00 – Junior Syndicate in Hall (stay for lunch)

7.00pm – Senior Syndicate at St Patrick's Church

16 December – End of Term. School finishes at 12.30 (No Afterschool Care)

SCHOOL FINISHES NEXT WEDNESDAY-12.30PM

Wednesday 16th December at 12.30. All children need to be picked up at 12.30pm. Taradale & Tamatea buses will run at 12.30. (Bayview and Clive children will need to be picked up by their parents).

SCHOOL STARTS 2016

In 2016 – Tuesday 2nd February at 8.45am.

School office will be open for uniforms, enrolments, etc **Monday 1**st **Feb** (9 - 3pm).

LAST WEEK'S QUIZ

Right between the eyes

Thank you once again for your care. St Patrick's is a great place to be. Have a happy and holy Christmas. Travel safe and see you in 2016.



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