15 August 2017 In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow "Have PATIENCE. All things are difficult before they become easy.

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

THREE NEW TREASURES TO WELCOME

Three happy faces in A3. Welcome to **Autumn Sobek** who joins big brother Devon, **Alice McBrearty** who also has a big brother Cole here and to **Cooper Kiwara** and his whanau. Welcome to the St Patrick's School family.

COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to **Braxton Payne**, a Year 8 student who has over the year developed a positive work ethic, attitude and sense of responsibility.

SCHOOL MASS - THIS SUNDAY (20TH)

We **EXPECT** our pupils to attend this Mass - 10am St Patrick's Church. A SPECIAL SCHOOL MASS to celebrate our Special Catholic Character. Students are to wear clean SCHOOL UNIFORM.

LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL THERE - A FAMILY AFFAIR! ICAS RESULTS - WE DID WELL!

We recently received ICAS results for Science, Spelling and Digital Technologies. These students did particularly well:-

MERIT PASS (top 45% in NZ/Australia) Scarlett Powell, Jack Hendery, Georgia Allen, Ryley Barr.

CREDIT PASS (top 20%) Saoirse Kenny x3, Sophie Walker, Caitlin Montaperto-Wells, Thomas Hollands, Alice Dravitzki.

DISTINCTION PASS (top 6%) Caitlin Montaperto-Wells for Science.

A brilliant achievement for all students!

GALA NEWS - 5 WEEKS TO GO

- Frozen chickens / Bottle of Wine for our raffle wheel. Please drop off at school office (chickens are on sale at the moment).
- <u>PLEASE DROP OFF GOODS IN SCHOOL HOURS</u> We need your FURNITURE, TOYS, CLOTHES, CROCKERY etc for our gala. We will also happily take your neighbours, friends and families goods. Drop off at the shipping containers (back of school), outside PTA shed (near bike stands) or to School Office. PLEASE - NO TV'S or COMPUTERS AND PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ITEMS IN THE RAIN. Call Michelle Start on 027 241 8034 if you need goods picked up.

GOOD LUCK GYMNASTS

We have a team of students competing at Thursday's Gymnastics Festival and wish them all the best.

NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM

After many, many years we are updating and modernizing our school uniform.

Over the next 2 WEEKS (15 - 25 August) we ask for your written feedback of the **SAMPLE UNIFORM THAT IS ON DISPLAY IN THE OFFICE FOYER**.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:-

- ONE uniform for both summer and winter.
- Girls uniform to cost approximately 50% of existing.
- Stocked and sold at school (ONE STOP SHOP).
- The SAME POLO SHIRT for both boys and girls (easy to pass onto family).
- Navy Blue skirts, shorts, socks.
- NO MORE dirty white blouses and socks.
- Unisex sports shorts.

We hope to have the new uniform available for TERM 4. A new sports top will be introduced at a later date so in the meantime we will be selling our existing tops for **\$20 (Half price)**.

COME IN TO HAVE A LOOK AT OUR DISPLAY

and to register your feedback.



SAUSAGE SIZZLE - THIS THURSDAY 17th AUGUST

An easy lunch and good value too! Raising funds for our Year 8 Camp to Wellington.

\$1.50 a sausage. Please bring money / order to your class teacher by 9am Thursday 17th August

MATHS WEEK THIS WEEK

We celebrate Maths Week with school-wide and in-class problem solving tasks. Here's a couple for you to work out.

- Daniel has always had candles on his birthday cake. He has blown out 66 candles in TOTAL. How old is Daniel?
- 2) In a cage there are rabbits and sparrows. There are 56 feet and 16 wings how many HEADS are there?

SACRED HEART INTERVIEWS - FOR 2018 ENROLMENTS

Interviews will be held at St Patrick's School on **Thurs 24 August & Tues 29**th **August**. Please phone **Sacred Heart College 835 3761** to book your interview time.

Regards & Blessings Jurek Wypych PRINCIPAL

