29 August 2017

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow "With love and PATIENCE, nothing is impossible."

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

COOL AT SCHOOL

This week we congratulate **Vincent Jones** a Year 7 student who is focussed, works to his potential, never gives up and is always looking to help others when they need it. A true friend and gentleman.

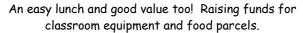
OUR NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM

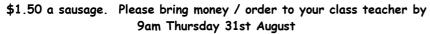
Thank you all for your feedback, we had a good response with the majority (90 %) being in favour of the change. We also appreciated your suggestions which has led us to investigate a polar-fleece top for next winter.

The sports top will also be finalized to be ready later in 2018. We plan to have the new shorts, skirts, socks, polo tops, hats and sports shorts ready for sale in Term 4 for THIS SUMMER. So we will be selling the remainder of our sports tops and sweatshirts for \$20 each as students will be able to wear them for another year.

The new uniform will be compulsory for ALL in 2019

SAUSAGE SIZZLE - THIS THURSDAY 31st AUGUST





TOO MANY TOO LATE

School starts at **8.45am** (not 9am!) I notice that a number of children are frequently turning up after the bell and are missing out on important learning. Please ensure your child is at school on time.

IF YOUR CHILD IS SICK/ABSENT - it is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to contact the school BEFORE 9AM. We do our best to follow up absences.

OUR DEBATING TEAM - "ON AIR"

Tune into Radio Kidnappers (104.7 FM) next Tuesday 5 September at 4pm to listen to our NUMBER 1 debating team of **Charlotte Clayton**, **Oscar Cooper**, **Georgia Allen and Lily Burt** as they take on Lindisfarne College in a battle of words.

MIDDLE SYNDICATE CROSS COUNTRY

Next Monday (4 September - yes it is Spring) our Middle Syndicate (Year 3-6) hold their Cross Country races at school. A **9.45am** start so come and join us to support your children.

CONTACTING YOUR CHILD AT SCHOOL / MOBILE PHONES

If you need to contact your child or have a message for them please call the office 843 9238, we will pass it on. Calls **WILL NOT** be put through to the classroom during school time so please don't ask.

If your child **ABSOULUTELY NEEDS** to bring a mobile phone to school it **MUST** be either handed to the teacher at the start of the school day or to the office for safe keeping.

RUGBY RECOGNITION

Unison Rugby Medals were awarded to children who play club rugby. One medal per team was presented to a player for displaying Fair Play, Discipline and Worth Ethic. Medals went to: **Jaxon Bound** (Marist), **Cooper Diack** (Tech), **Hana Symes** (Pirates), **Cooper Bound** (Marist), **Jono McEwan** (Marist) and **Noah Hyde** (Tech).

WAKELY SHIELD

Congratulations to William Greer, Sam Start, Laila Salter, Hunter Kinney, Elliot Williams and Tiare Reti who all made the Napier East Wakely Shield Team.

"BEING A SCIENTIST" AT ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

Last week we had a "Science" focussed week with an assembly quiz, Science Fair Projects displayed at EIT and we had senior pupils compete in the Technology Challenge (EIT) and Science Quiz (Hastings). Plenty of great learning across the school.

MAGPIES FOR LUNCH

Well not literally, but we have a number of players from the Magpies squad joining us at lunchtime next Tuesday. They will be spending time with our students passing on some tips.

GALA NEWS - 3 WEEKS TO GO

- WE NEED FROZEN CHICKENS for our raffle wheel. Please drop off at school office.
- PLEASE DROP OFF GOODS IN SCHOOL HOURS
 We need your FURNITURE, TOYS, CLOTHES, CROCKERY etc for our gala.
 Drop off at the shipping containers (back of school) or to School Office.
 NO TV'S/COMPUTERS & PLEASE DON'T LEAVE IN THE RAIN!!
 Call Michelle Start on 027 241 8034 if you need goods picked up.

Regards & Blessings

Jurek Wypych PRINCIPAL