24 October 2017

"Give RESPECT, then you will get some back."

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

COOL AT SCHOOL

We congratulate **Cramer Hannan**, a wonderful Year 7 student who is a great example and role model to others with his positive attitude, friendliness and for the way he is inclusive.

CLEVER MATHEMATICIANS

From our ICAS (University of NSW) test we congratulate:

MERIT PASS: Caitlin Montaperto-Wells and Georgia Allen.

DISTINCTION (TOP 10% in NZ/OZ) - Saoirse Kenny.

A GREAT RUN

Last term **Scarlett McIvor** and **Jono McEwan** competed in the HB Schools Cross Country with Scarlett coming 6^{th} and Jono coming 7^{th} .

What an amazing achievement with over 80 competitors in each event.

BOOK FAIR NEXT WEEK - PIRATE THEME

In the school library, Wednesday 1 November to Friday 3 November, 8.30am - 3.30pm. A great range of books, stationery and gifts.

Perfect for BIRTHDAYS, CHRISTMAS or as a REWARD for your wonderful child. Thank you to Merrill Baird, our school librarian for organizing this extravaganza.

TERM 4 SPORTS OPPORTUNITIES

This term our children will be involved in T-ball, Volleyball, Basketball, Hockey, Softball and Cricket. We are very grateful to all our coaches and encourage ALL parents to come along and support their children. We also have fitness running at lunchtimes with Mr Weber and Mrs Webb.

The senior school begin their intensives programme next week and we also have choir, ukulele, guitar, Kapahaka and Pasifika groups. It is wonderful to see so many of our children involved!

PART-TIME WORK OPPORTUNITY FOR 2018

We farewell Lisa O'Malley from our Afcare team at the end of the year and are looking for a replacement. The hours will be **Thursday** and **Fridays** 3:00-4.30pm. contact me or Carolyn Schofield 022 192 3787 for more information.

SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2018

We have a number of scholarships that our pupils are eligible for in 2018, they are:-

<u>Betty Crawford Scholarships</u> - (2x \$500 plus) to a Year 8 boy and girl continuing on their Catholic Education at High School Level.

<u>Tim Hannigan Jubilee Scholarship</u> - \$250 awarded to a **Year 7 pupil** who displays the qualities and attitudes that reflect our school's Special Catholic Character.

<u>P.T.A Year 6 Scholarships (5 at \$100 each)</u> - awarded to pupils who will be in Year 7 in 2018. These pupils must live out our school motto "To Live Justly." This includes Fair Play, classroom diligence and attitude, sense of community and service to the school.

CLASS ORGANISATION FOR 2018 - CONTACT THE PRINCIPAL

We are beginning the process of organising classes / teachers for next year. Please contact <u>me personally</u> by Friday 3 November if you need any issues considered that we may not already be aware of when placing your son / daughter in a class for 2018. If your child will <u>not be</u> at St Patrick's next year, I would appreciate it if you can inform us by Friday 3 November.

There will be staffing changes in every syndicate next year. You will be informed once confirmed.

In the Holidays

In the holidays I went to my mum's friends call Kalee. I jumped into the spa pool. It was fun. I got cold. I got out of the pool. I found a ladybird. I gave it to Sophie. She dropped it on the ground. I found another one but we went to her room again. I found it. I was so happy. Then we went back home. I got another house for my ladybirds but at bed time I changed it for an ice cream container. I held them and I held my brother's lizard. It was fun.

By Adelaide Norman A1

2018 SCHOOL TERM DATES (REALLY ORGANISED)

Students start school on **TUESDAY 30 JANUARY**. The school office will be open for uniform sales etc on **Monday 29 January 8.30 - 3-pm**.

Term 1: 30 January - 13 April (Easter 30 March - 3 April)

Term 2: 30 April - 6 July

Term 3: 23 July - 28 September
Term 4: 15 October - 14 December

Regards & Blessings Jurek Wypych PRINCIPAL