12 October 2010

In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

"We're back!! I hope you all had a relaxed holiday and are ready for the last term of 2010 which promises to be busier, more fun, and more "full on" than any other this year – something to look forward to!!! Year 8 pupils – your last term EVER at St Patrick's (enjoy it responsibly!!)

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Mr Graeme Hickling and family. Graeme's beautiful mother passed away last week. May she rest in peace.

OUR LATEST ARRIVALS

We welcome 4 new pupils to St Patrick's School, all began yesterday.

Lucky Mrs Bartlett has 3 treasures and they are:-

Aliyah King who joins her grandmother at St Patrick's! Welcome back to her parents Jo and Mike.

Brooke Murphy who joins big sisters Brittany and Emily here and **Samuel Turner** who is here to keep an eye on big sister Sophie.

Joining us in M11 (Year 3) is **Aisha Blake** who joins us from Tauranga with her mum Tristyn. We hope you all enjoy learning and making new friends at Hato Patrick's.

NO SCHOOL THIS FRIDAY AFTERNOON!!

There will be no classes for pupils **THIS FRIDAY**, **15 OCTOBER**. Children will need to be picked up at **12.30**. Taradale / Tamatea bus will run at 12.30, all other bus users will need to make arrangements to be picked up. All staff will be attending a Teachers Union Meeting.

ST PATRICK'S CARE (AFTERSCHOOL)

This is a reminder that there will be <u>no</u> After School Care <u>this Friday afternoon</u>, <u>15 October</u>. There will be Morning Care as usual on this day.

Also there will be <u>no</u> After School Care next <u>Thursday afternoon, 21 October</u>. There will be Morning Care as usual on this day.

SCHOOL GALA

What a great day for our school and community. Weather once again played its part, but had us guessing until the last minute!!

Thank you to all who made this day such a success. To the organising committee, well done. To all who helped on stalls, helped deliver, set up, sold raffles, cooked sausages, counted money, donated goods ... etc **THANK YOU.**

You are all much appreciated and blessed. The community spirit and atmosphere was second to none and this is what makes YOUR Gala such an important and special celebration. Funds raised will be used to improve our school environment, I.C.T infrastructure, as well as a number of other initiatives. Your children are the "winners" they benefit directly (approx \$17 – 18,000 raised).

ROSS SHIELD RUGBY CHAMPS

The Napier Ross Shield Team were crowned the 2010 champions following their 24 - 10 win over Hasting East over the holidays. Three of our boys were in the winning team – **Sam Hiha, Christian Leopard** and **Duff Penitito.** Congratulations.

SCHOOL VALUE FOR OCTOBER

This month our focus is on "RESPECT." As Christians, we should respect all that God has created (people, property, our environment) – we can do this in what we say and do (words and actions). Respect can start at home and at school. Our catch phrase will be...

TREAT OTHERS AS YOU WOULD LIKE THEM TO TREAT YOU. A BRAND NEW CLASS!

Due to our increase in junior enrolments we have started a new junior class (A5) in the Marist Block. Mrs Debbie Reid is teaching 12 wonderful pupils that Mrs Bartlett sadly passed on. <u>BUT!!</u> This means that we have delightfully small junior classes that will give our pupils the best of learning opportunities.

MUFTI DAY THIS FRIDAY - CANTERBURY EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

Hawkes Bay Primary Schools are joining together **THIS FRIDAY**, **15**th to raise funds for the Canterbury Earthquake Appeal. We ask pupils who wear mufti do bring a **GOLD COIN.** For those who want to wear school uniform – that's ok too!!

SCHOOL CLOSES 12.30 NEXT THURSDAY 21ST (LABOUR WEEKEND)

To acknowledge our schools participation in the Confirmation Mass at Pettigrew Green Arena last term, school will finish for the H.B Anniversary / Labour Weekend at <u>12.30</u> on <u>Thursday 21st</u> ALL CHILDREN WILL NEED TO BE COLLECTED FROM SCHOOL AT 12.30 – (The Taradale / Tamatea bus will run at 12.30) <u>SUMMER UNIFORM CHANGEOVER – START NOW (IF IT'S WARM)</u>

Pupils will be able to wear full summer uniform from this week. We expect all pupils to be in summer uniform by <u>26 October</u> – so there is a **2 week "changeover"** period. Remember uniforms can be purchased from the school office and Postie Plus. We stock:

Girls pinafores and skirts. **Boys & Girls** sweatshirts and sports shirts Postie Plus stock the rest of the uniform requirements.

<u>NOTE:</u> <u>ALL PUPILS</u> will be required to wear the <u>school sunhat</u> from <u>1 November</u>. These are available at the school office – only 7 (subsidized by the school).

ENROLMENTS FOR 2011 - ARE YOU???

If you have a child turning 5 in 2011 or know of someone who has a **year 6** pupil who wants to attend our Intermediate (Year 7/8) next year – then please call me or the office for an enrolment form or for an appointment. I am happy to answer any questions you may have or show you around our wonderful school.

<u>TERM 4 TARADALE / TAMATEA BUS PASSES NOW ON SALE AT THE OFFICE</u> <u>KELLY SPORTS – TUESDAY AFTERNOON PROGRAMME (YEAR 1 – 4)</u>

Kelly sports is again offering its multisport programme on Tuesdays after school this term. Super Sports is designed specifically for year 1-4 children so they can experience a range of sports. For those who have never joined before it gives them the confidence to give sport a go. For children already playing sport it gives them an extra chance to improve their skills for the summer and winter seasons. To enrol please fill in a registration form, or for further info contact Craig Findlay craig@kellysports.co.nz or phone 843.4219

Regards and Blessings

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