# 2 November 2010 In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

"I am not a has-been. I am a will be!"

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

#### **OUR LATEST TREASURE - TRIFECTA!**

We welcome **Jackson Hansen** to A4. He joins big brothers Daniel and Luke at St Patrick's. Triple-delight. Enjoy learning at St Patrick's Jackson.

#### A NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Hayley and Jack on the safe arrival of Izak who is happy and healthy and has a very proud big brother in Jayden.

## COOL AT SCHOOL

And she is!! Congratulations to **Trinity-Rose Reti**, a Year 3 pupil who stands out for her kindness, great attitude in class and to her school-work. Magic!

# JOIN THE UPPER SYNDICATE

This **Thursday**, **9am** in our Sacred Space as they celebrate Mass together.

## **GOSPEL VALUE FOR NOVEMBER**

This month, we focus on the value of  $\overline{JOY}$ . What a great value for our pupils – Joy is evident in both the playground and classroom. Our pupils can...

"Make every day joyful for yourselves and others"

# How I Felt When the Earth Shook

I was in my bed as the earthquake happened. It was so scary I hid under the closest table. I stayed there until it stopped. When I came out I had to be careful because things were falling down around me. I grabbed my dog and ran out the back door. I put my dog over the fence and then I climbed over the fence. When I got over the fence I saw Mum, Dad and Jacinda. We were so scared but happy to be together.

When the shaking stopped, Dad and I went into the garage and got the tent out because we were going to sleep in it for the night and maybe the next night as well. We had to make do with what food we had but we had lots of water. We were able to have meat for a treat. One morning we ran out of cereal so we had bacon and eggs for breakfast instead.

After four weeks of living in a tent and surviving with the food we had, I was sitting outside the tent when a car drove up the drive way. At first I was scared but then I got a good look at the person. Once I saw it was my aunty I walked over to the car. I said to her, "What are you doing here?" She said "I've come to pick you up and take you to Havelock with me." When I got dressed I helped pack up all our stuff. It was a long drive. When we got there I was so tired I just went to bed.

By Alicia Rapley M6

## POSTIE PLUS CLOSED FOR A WEEK!

Postie-Plus have informed us they will be closed from 2-9 November as they renovate their shop interior.

# ABACUS CALENDARS - 2 DAYS TO GO!!

Final days for orders (CLOSE THIS WEEK!!!) Make cheques payable to St Patrick's School P.T.A. Money must accompany orders. Each child has their own order form but family payments can be combined. LATE ORDERS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED SORRY.

#### CLASS ORGANISATION FOR 2011 - CONTACT THE PRINCIPAL

We are beginning the process of organising classes / teachers for next year. Please contact **me personally** by **Friday 5 November** if you need any issues considered that we may not already be aware of when placing your son / daughter in a class for 2011. If your child will not be at St Patrick's next year, I would appreciate it if you can inform us by Friday 5 November also.

NOTE: There will be staff changes in 2011 which are as yet to be confirmed.

## **SUMMER UNIFORM**

<u>ALL PUPILS</u> – should now be wearing the **CORRECT SCHOOL SUMMER UNIFORM.** Thank you for being proud of your school.

#### All WEARING SUNHATS

Every pupil is expected to wear their sunhat. From Monday November 1<sup>st</sup> – NO HAT means NO PLAY. Please support us in keeping YOUR CHILD sun safe

## **STATIONERY FOR 2011**

We will once again be providing stationery packs for pupils next year. This is both cost effective (as we get a good bulk deal) and efficient, as every child starts on day 1 with the **CORRECT** books and stationery. You receive an account for this and any other school costs in March. If you would rather search the book stores during January for your own stationery. <u>PLEASE CONTACT ME BY 13 NOVEMBER.</u> We will provide a list of the CORRECT REQUIRED STATIONERY to you before the end of term.

# TARADALE / TAMATEA BUSS PASSES – TERM 4

**ALL PUPILS** using this **bus MUST** have a term pass, or 20 ride concession or a day trip ticket.

This is a subsidized service and is also user-pays. Remember: NO Pass – No Ride

# WANTED TO BUY – FIRST COMMUNION

1 Girls size 10 – 12 First Communion Dress, shoes etc. Please phone Anita 835.5987. **MELBOURNE CUP** – to continue by "bad-tipping" of recent years

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Regards & Blessings

Jurek Wypych PRINCIPAL

A priest was playing golf one day and heard the familiar "Fore" while in the middle of the fairway. Although he ducked, a ball slammed into his back. Soon, the golfer who had hit the ball was on the scene to offer his apologies.

When the priest assured him he was alright, the man smiled. "Thank goodness, Father," he exclaimed. "I've been playing this game for forty years and now I can tell my friends that I've finally hit my first holy one!"