

ST PATRICK'S NEWSLETTER




9 March 2021

*"injustice anywhere is a threat
To JUSTICE everywhere."
Martin Luther King*

In a Catholic way we learn today for tomorrow

COOL AT SCHOOL


We all congratulate **Connor Rhodes**, a Year 4 student who is just amazing. He always tries to do his best, is kind, reliable, caring and a great friend. Connor certainly lives out the "St Pats Way" in both word and deed. 

LENT – 'TIS THE SEASON'

Pope Francis Universal Prayer Intention for evangelization - Sacrament of **reconciliation**. Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God. Reconciliation is a Sacrament instituted by Jesus in his love and mercy to offer us forgiveness for the times we have sinned and turned away from God. At the same time, we are reconciled with the Church because it is also wounded by our sins. Every time we sin, we hurt ourselves, other people and God. In Reconciliation, we acknowledge our sins before God and the Church. We express our sorrow in a meaningful way, receive the forgiveness of Christ and his Church, make reparation for what we have done, and resolve to do better in the future.



LAST DAY THIS FRIDAY

Forgot to say last week, but Marie Devine's last day in the office (after 20 years) is **THIS FRIDAY THE 12th**. It just will not be the same.....so quiet!! 

TSUNAMI EVENT LAST FRIDAY

We would like to thank everyone for their cooperation and support following last Friday's earthquake / tsunami event. We were happy with our school procedures ensuring our students safety. And thank you all for your positive comments on how the school handled the situation.



MUFTI DAY – THIS FRIDAY

This Friday (12th) a GOLD COIN MUFTI DAY where students can have a day off wearing uniform as we fundraise for Napier St Vincent de Paul food bank. Looking after those in need and giving back to our own community.

ST PATRICK'S DAY – WE CELEBRATE NEXT WEDNESDAY

A fun day is planned for next **Wednesday (17 March)** as we celebrate the Feast Day of our School's Patron Saint, Saint Patrick.

We begin with a **SCHOOL MASS, 9.30am** in the **SCHOOL HALL**. You are all invited to celebrate with us and Fr Barry. After morning tea we will hold **HOUSE TEAM TABLOIDS** and finish our afternoon with "whanau" activities.

Wednesday will be a **MUFTI / HOUSE COLOURS** day so children do not need to wear school uniform.

STAFF COMMISSIONING MASS – THIS SUNDAY

You are most welcome to join the staff of St Patrick's School **THIS SUNDAY (14th MARCH)** at **ST THOMAS MORE CHURCH 8AM** as we are blessed by our Parish Community for the coming year. We appreciate your support and prayers.

BEING ON TIME – TOO EARLY?

It is **VERY IMPORTANT** that children arrive at school in time to unpack and prepare for the day without the stress of having to rush. We **START SCHOOL AT 8.45AM**. Each day begins with prayer, a time to settle and share with your class. Please try to get your child to school **before** the 8.45am bell, I notice quite a number of our students turning up late, rushing and missing this important time of the day. Please remember if you are late to report into the office so that we know you have arrived.

OUR 2021 SCHOOL "HOUSE CAPTAINS"



ANOTHER GROAN FROM THE OLD DAYS!

When do clocks die?.... (When their time is up)

Regards & Blessings

Jurek Wypych
PRINCIPAL