

ST PATRICK'S NEWSLETTER



13th April 2021

"Forgiveness is the best form of love"

In a Catholic way we learn today for tomorrow

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Max Walker and family. Sarah's beautiful mother passed away last week and was remembered in a beautiful celebration of her life on Thursday. May she rest in peace.

COOL AT SCHOOL

We congratulate **Anupreet Kaur**, one of our talented Year 8 students who is recognised for her kindness, positive attitude towards schoolwork, school environment and her fellow students. She is a gem.

SCHOOL ATHLETICS DAY – THIS THURSDAY

Join us at **MAREWA PARK** from 10am -1pm for our whole school ATHLETICS DAY. 

We begin with House Group sports rotations and then finish with 100 and 400m sprint finals. Field events and heats for races will be held at school prior to Thursday **STUDENTS TO WEAR HOUSE COLOURS. SUNHATS AND SUN SCREEN PLEASE**

There will be a **COFFEE/FOOD CART** (Boost Espresso) on-site, selling hot and cold drinks, steak and bacon sandwiches and a lot of other tempting things-lunch done! (EFTPOS is available).



UNISON SWITCH DAY

Last Thursday 70 of our Year 3-8 students attended a fun "switch" day at the H.B Sports Park where boys played netball and girls, rugby (gasp!) What a wonderful day for all. Thanks Kim and Darin for organizing this, and ALSO you wonderful parents who transported, managed and coached our children. So much appreciated.



OPTIMIST YACHTING – WHAT A BREEZE

The week before Easter, our Year 5/6 St Joseph's Whanau spend some mornings sailing Optimist Yachts on Pandora Pond. A great experience with varying wind conditions to deal with (no breeze, to a small gale). Thank you to parents who once again stepped up with transport, pushing out yachts, riding the surf ski and encouraging our budding sailors

ROAD SAFETY



GREAT NEWS – OUR ROAD GETTING SAFER FOR YOUR CHILDREN

I have been in communication with various Napier City Councillors and the Transport and Roadway Division of the N.C.C and am **DELIGHTED TO INFORM YOU** that they have prioritised the stretch of Riverbend Rd outside our school (from Kennedy to Taradale Rd) as being in need of urgent safety work to help ensure the safety of our children. Over the next few months, they will be working on installing raised safety strips to slow down drivers (some of whom travel at speeds over 70kph) and make them more aware of watching out for children. Of course, **YOUR** driving needs to reflect this also and I thank you for that (u turns and yellow line parking in particular).

I sincerely thank the N.C.C for being so responsive, understanding, and pro-active.

LEAVING YOU FOR A TERM

I have been awarded a Principal's study sabbatical and will be away from school, all of next term (back 26th July). Luckily, we have Gemma Gardiner, our Deputy Principal, who will be acting Principal for the term. She will carry on the great work happening here but will put her own special "twist" on things. She is great.

LAST DAY/FIRST DAY OF TERM

Term 1 finishes this Friday 16th April and Term 2 starts on Monday 3rd May - 8.45am start.

ANOTHER GROAN FROM THE OLD DAYS!

What's a fish's worst day? – Fry-day.

Have a wonderful holiday break and see you all in Term 3.

Regards & Blessings

Jurek Wypych
PRINCIPAL

