

# ST PATRICK'S NEWSLETTER



## ENCOUNTER WITH HOPE

A single individual is enough for hope to exist, and that individual can be "you." And then there will be another "you" and another "you" and it turns into an "us." And so, does hope begin when we have an "us?" No. Hope began with one "you." When there is an "us," there begins a revolution." – Pope Francis

*In a Catholic way we learn today for tomorrow*



## WELCOME BACK EVERYONE

Kia ora te whanau,

We hope everyone has had a fantastic holiday and are well rested and ready for an exciting Term 2! The Autumn weather has hit, with the cold mornings and evenings, the Winter woollies are already coming out! Children will need their polar fleeces and shoes and socks this term.

As you know, Jurek is on a Study Sabbatical this term so I am in the Driver's seat. Please remember, I am on my Learner licence, so I am both nervous and excited! However, I promise to embrace this new learning and follow in Jurek's footsteps by leading with kindness and compassion. As the Catholic review Team reinforced last Term, we are a school with a 'Culture of Care' so I know we will all have a wonderful term. My door is always open, and I welcome all whanau to come and say "Hi!"

## CONGRATULATIONS Todd and Sharleen

Last Friday Todd Reid married his love, Sharleen, at St Patrick's Church. Congratulations and best wishes from us all. We wish them a happy and prosperous future. We welcome back Todd to school tomorrow and look forward to photos!



## CAPTION THAT COMPETITION

While the boss is away, we thought we might have some fun! Below you will see Mr Wypych and Mr Wallace deep in conversation! We challenge you at home to come up with a fun caption for this 'moment!' In the office, you will see a 'caption that' box where you can come and write your caption. Winning captions will be posted in the next Newsletter. Come in and have some fun!



## TERM 2 SPORT

This is a very busy term for Sport! We have Canoe Polo, Basketball, Netball and Hockey (to name a few!) Please keep an eye on our Facebook page and the School app as they are our main channels for Sport updates. I look forward to lots of cheering from the side-lines!

## WINTER IS COMING: School uniform

Over the next week students can start wearing school shoes (Black) to school. Remember, we have socks for sale at school which are regulation. If you have difficulty sourcing/affording shoes please contact Sharon or myself and we may be able to help you out.

## GOSPEL VALUE FOR MAY

**Self-Control** – 'Think..... before you act.'  
**2 Timothy 1:7**

May is the Month of Mary, (a special time to think of our own mothers). The value that the school will focus on this month is self control. We practise self control in what we say, do and how we react. The rule we need to follow is. "THINK BEFORE YOU ACT - MAKE A WISE CHOICE"

## Messages of Hope



This morning our School Captains walked to the Fire-station to show support to our local Fire-fighters. The students, as part of the campaign, wrote and drew positive messages to show our appreciation and Community spirit for all the hard mahi that these men and women do in keeping our Community safe. Here at St Pats, we are all about giving back to the community. We are proud of who we are!

Have a fabulous term everyone!

Regards & Blessings

Gemma Gardiner  
Acting Principal



## WELCOME TO ST PATS

This term we are very excited to welcome many new faces to our St Pat's whanau! Firstly, we welcome Isabella and Madeleine Herberley to our school. The girls, with their whanau, have moved here all the way from Taranaki! We hear they are avid Netball players, so we look forward to seeing them out on the Netball Court this term!

We also welcome more cherubs to our Angels Whanau:

Warm greetings to: Iylah Galgey, Andrew Cheetham, Kaden Mawsen, Eliza McFayden, Christer Robin, Pippa Somerville and Branden Van Schoor

A special welcome to Harry Godfrey, who joins our staff as a Teacher Aide. Harry is in the HB and Hurricane's Development Squad so we look forward to benefiting from his skillset and passion for sport! He is loving being right amongst the excitement!

We will welcome these students in our very special "St Pat's Way" at Assembly on Friday at 9am (school hall). We would love to see you there!

