



ST PATRICK'S NEWSLETTER

15th June 2021

In a Catholic way we learn today for tomorrow

"Great works are performed not by strength but by PERSEVERANCE".

GOSPEL VALUE FOR JUNE – PERSEVERANCE

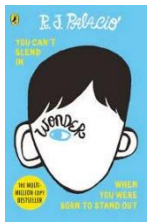
Our focus this month is "PERSEVERANCE."
Our attitude is KEEP ON TRYING. If at first, you don't succeed – try again. That means "quality" also – giving your best. So, keep on trying in your relationships, schoolwork, faith, family, and friends.

COOL AT SCHOOL

Last week's Cool at School award was presented to Maria Joseph. This award was given to Maria for always being kind, helpful, funny, and sharing her many talents with others. I know Maria's family are super duper proud, as are we.

SPOTLIGHT ON ST JOSEPHS

Our children will be excited to share with you all tonight (they have only been told today) that we have booked our camp. We will be staying at Camp Qodesh in Mahia, leaving school on Wednesday 17 November and returning Friday 19 November. The cost will be under \$100 per child and we will confirm more details in the coming weeks.



We are currently reading Wonder in our classes this term. We have linked this book with our learning topic of Hope this term. The children will encounter a lot of issues around acceptance, tolerance, and kindness as well as bullying. There may be issues that arise in the book that the children may wish to talk to you about.

We celebrated a wonderful mass together last week. Thank you to those children that read, and took leadership roles during our Mass. Our children were amazing both in their singing and roles that they performed. Thank you also to Father Barry, Miss Hewett and the whānau that joined us.

WELCOME TO ST PATS

Last week, we welcomed two new children. Joseph Seymour joined us from St Joseph's School in CHB. Benjamin Montaperto-Wells, known as Benji, joined the A1 Angels.



EX-STUDENTS

At St Pat's we absolutely love seeing our past students. It is cool that they all enjoy coming back and visiting us. We love seeing them and hearing how great they are doing. Recently it has become a bit of a trend for our ex-students to turn up for the day. The numbers are rising and the arrangements to spend the day with us has often not been communicated. This has started to become problematic. Safety for everyone is imperative, so unless parents have arranged with us, we simply cannot be responsible for them. Thank you for your understanding here.

GENERATION ONLINE

Last week we hosted Anjie Webster from Generation Online. A big thanks to Paul Wallace and the Marist Team for all the organisation and time that has gone into the Generation Online visit. It was a great feeling to sit amongst the great vibe for daughter/son evenings. The numbers we drew in both nights were over the 100 mark which is a success. Feedback all round has been awesome!

PTA MEETING

Next week we are having a PTA Meeting, in the School Staffroom, on Tuesday June 22nd at 5.30pm. We look forward to seeing you there!



PIE DAY



This Thursday we are having a pie day as a PTA Fundraiser. Mince or Mince and Cheese pies will be selling for \$3 each.

LEARNING CONFERENCES

In Week 9 we have Learning Conferences on Monday 28th June 3pm-8.30pm and Tuesday 29th June 3pm-5.30pm. Next Tuesday we will have the link available for you to book your time. This year the conferences are optional for those who wish to catch up with your child's/children's teacher.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

We will be having a Book Fair 29th-31st June. The theme is "It's Raining Books." We will have 3 days of great books, stationary and much more on sale! More information to come soon.



Regards and Blessings
Gemma Gardiner
Acting Principal