



ST PATRICK'S NEWSLETTER

"In a Catholic Way We Learn Today for Tomorrow"

1st March 2022

COOL AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to **Catalina Perez-Parr**, one of our talented Year 8 students who is such a polite and welcoming presence at school. A quiet and responsible achiever.

SCHOOL LEADERS FOR 2022

Last Tuesday, student leaders for 2022 were announced and presented their badges. We congratulate these young adults, wish them all the best in their leadership roles and look forward to the difference that they will make this year.

House Captains for 2022 are:

AUBERT HOUSE: Raven Lawton and Jono McEwan

BARBIER HOUSE: Claudia Jones and Xavier Petera

FOREST HOUSE: Atawai Potaka-Osborne and Tamati Madden

MARCELLIN HOUSE: Harvey Kavanagh and Cooper Bound

Catholic Character Leaders: Poppy McCaskey, Catalina

Perez Parr, Lily Hicks and Willow Zajonskowski.

Tech Leaders: Cameron Miller, Nathan Halbert, Ben Jackson

Cultural Leaders: Paige Hudson, Finley-Sam Williams,

Tamate Caviale-Delzescaux.



ASH WEDNESDAY – TOMORROW

(40 days of Lent)

We celebrate the beginning of Lent tomorrow (2nd March) with the distribution of Ashes in classrooms and special Liturgies to mark this important event in our church calendar.

THE '40 DAYS' OF LENT

Our "40 days" is a round number with symbolic meaning. The Jews spend "40 years" in the desert on their way to the Promised Land. Jesus spent "40 days and 40 nights" fasting in the desert before beginning his ministry.

However, fasting was always prohibited on Sunday, which meant that there were only 36 fasting days in the six-week period. To make the Lenten fast include 40 days, the Church added four days of fasting (Ash Wednesday, and the Thursday, Friday and Saturday after Ash Wednesday). Lent itself ends on the evening of Holy Thursday (the vigil of Good Friday). We then begin the **Triduum**, the most sacred three days of the year, lasting through Easter Sunday evening.

COVID AT ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

Yesterday, we sent out an Alert to inform you that one of our students tested positive. We expect this become a regular occurrence at school and we have planned for this, both in health and safety and ensuring that learning continues.

Attached a simple **COVID CONTACT** chart that finally is clear and easy to understand.

Please find below a contact at your local **Welfare Hub** if you or your whānau are experiencing hardship and would like some support.

Napier: Kare Wiki 0273342323

Tamatea: Exham Wichman 0272699920

Hastings: Marnie Raihana 027479584



A LITTLE HELP FROM YOUR FRIENDS

This is for parents who are looking for tips and support with family dynamics and growing children. Next chapter Parenting are offering zooms on a variety of topics. Please call 0221087214

GOSPEL VALUE FOR MARCH – JUSTICE

Our focus this month is "JUSTICE" This takes many forms and is shown in the way that Jesus would have modelled through his actions, words, and attitudes. How can we be "just" – how can we be more like Jesus?

"Tika – Justice" The right and proper thing to do"

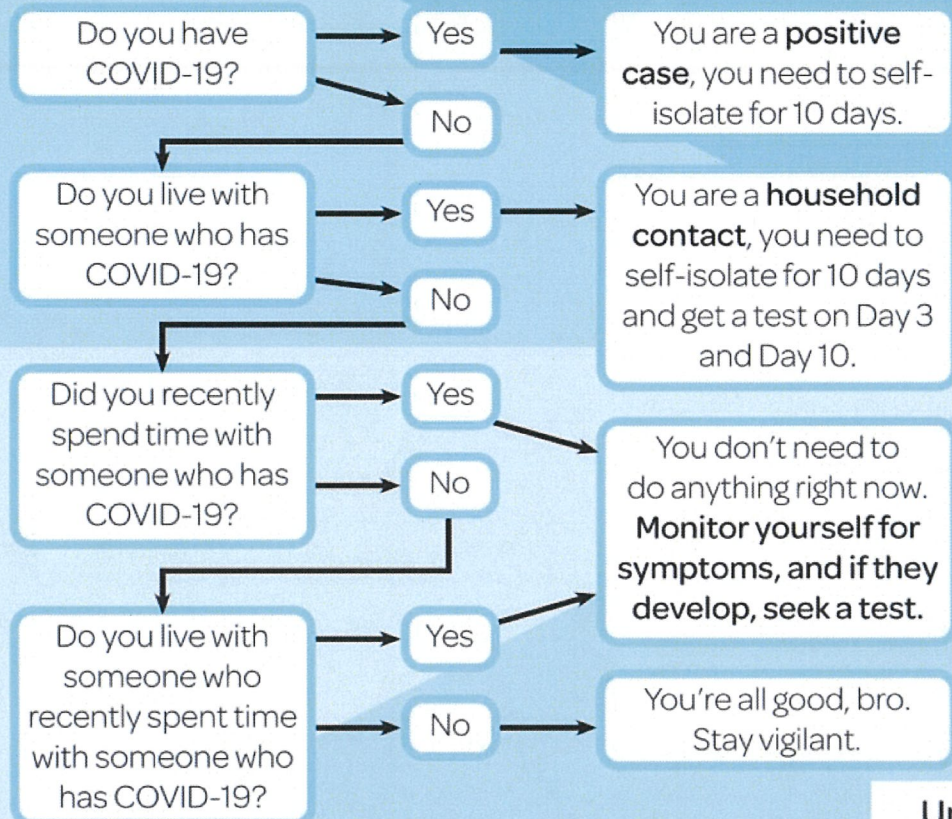
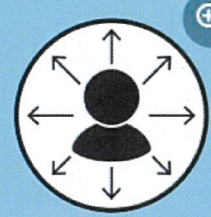
ANOTHER CRACKER

Want to hear a roof joke? The first one's on the house

Regards and Blessings

Jurek Wypych
PRINCIPAL

What type of contact are you?



Te Kāwanatanga o Aotearoa
New Zealand Government

Unite
against
COVID-19

- If you are feeling unwell, have health conditions or you are getting worse, please contact your GP or Healthline on 0800 611 116.
- If you are required to isolate and need advice or support, call the COVID welfare line on 0800 512 337
- In any emergency call 111.