

12 April 2011

*In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow*

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners

*The term has flown by.*

*Busy and full of activity, our pupils deserve a well-earned break*

### COOL AT SCHOOL

Very cool this week is **Emily Symonds**, a Year 7 senior pupil who is compassionate and forgiving. She works well in class and always has a positive word to say (with a smile).

### ALL THE BEST MRS MARSHALL

This is Mrs Marshall's last week at St Patrick's. After 20 amazing years of leading us and making St Patrick's the caring place that it is, she is taking a new direction.

Luckily!! She won't be far away and I'm sure we'll see her at St Patrick's. God Bless you Sue, thank you xxx

### OUR NEW D.R.S

Mrs Smith will take over the role of Director of Religious Studies (D.R.S) for the remainder of 2011. She is looking forward to guiding our school as we put into practice our Special Catholic Character.

### PAINTING UPGRADE – SENIOR SCHOOL

Preparation and painting of our two senior blocks at the back of the school is underway and will hopefully be completed over the holiday break. Our rooms were modernized internally in 2010, now our pupils will return from holiday to newly painted and smart looking buildings. It's always better to learn in a place that looks neat and tidy.



### JOIN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE

**This Thursday, 9am** for an end of term Mass as they pray for a safe holiday, the year ahead and farewell Mrs Marshall.

### MATHLETICS WEBSITE – OPEN TO PUPILS

Mathletics online covers all aspects of mathematics and responds to individual needs. The programme allows children to work at their own pace or they can challenge other students from all over the world in real time competitions. Students signing up will have full access to the site until 31 January 2012. See your child's teacher if interested for an application form. Access to the site costs \$22.



### CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE – UPDATED(www.stpatsnapier.school.nz)

Have a look at our website and see our children doing fun discovery activities.

### DECO DOLLARS FOR CHRISTCHURCH – VARIETY CONCERT

You are invited to a night of musical variety featuring Hawke's Bay's finest talent on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30pm in the H.B Opera house. All funds raised go towards the Christchurch Earthquake Appeal. Take the family for a night out. Book at Ticketdirect, Decorum or Art Deco Trust Napier. (Posters are on the office doors).

### FAMILY MOVIE PASS WINNERS

Congratulations to the McFarland family. Their name was drawn from all those who have either paid off or are paying off their school stationery accounts. **FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DONE NOTHING YET** – we need you to pay these so we can pay our bills. (I will call you next term, just as a reminder)

### TERM 1 FINISHES THIS FRIDAY

Have a well-deserved and safe holiday break. Children, make sure your parents get to rest too! We **EXPECT ALL PUPILS** to be back, smiling, in proper school uniform and ready to work on **Monday 2 May**.

### SUNHATS HOME

Winter is slowly arriving – please make sure your child brings their sunhat home this week for the winter terms. Sunhats will need to be back Term 4.

### WINTER UNIFORM CHANGEOVER

Pupils will be able to start wearing their winter uniform from the **beginning of Term 2**. There will be a **'2 week' changeover period** where either summer or winter uniform can be worn. ALL PUPILS will be expected to be in **FULL AND CORRECT winter uniform** by **16<sup>th</sup> May**. This gives you plenty of time to get your uniform organised. Uniform requirements are available from our school office and Postie Plus.

### CORRECT UNIFORM IS:

**Boys:** Black shoes only, grey shorts, grey skivvies (upto Yr 6), grey shirts (Yr 7/8), grey socks.

**Girls:** Black or brown shoes only, winter pinafore (upto Yr 6) winter skirt (Yr 7/8), white skivvy (upto Yr 6) white longsleeved blouse (Yr 7/8), Black, Navy Blue or Bottle Green tights or knee high white socks.

**Sneakers** are NOT ACCEPTABLE – please don't buy any.

### HAIR!

Our expectation and standards at St Patrick's are:

**Girls** – neat, tied back if long, off the face, not coloured.

**Boys** – neat, tied back if long, off the face, not coloured.... Simple!

### SCHOOL BANKING

Wine Country Credit Union will be merging with NZCU Baywide. From 1 April all current WCCU members will become a member of NZCU Baywide. Banking day will now be **THURSDAYS** and when you make your next deposit you will be issued with a new account passbook. **If you would like to open an account, packs will be available from the school office.**

### LUNCHONLINE – A FRIDAY OPTION



Our school is moving to a completely new service called Lunchonline. The Lunchonline service is an internet based school lunch provider, where parents/caregivers and students can order their school lunch using the internet, and it will be delivered to our school.

This simple to use internet site allows parents/caregivers to register online and link to our school. You then need to transfer some money (\$20 minimum) to your account using either a credit card or bank account transfer, and you are ready to go.

Our school will be trialling this programme over term 2, starting **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May**. This will allow our families to become familiar with the new internet lunch service before we complete an evaluation. This lunch service will be provided on **Friday's only**.

We will be using **Subway** and **Heaven's Bakery** as our suppliers, with a **menu selection** that ensures **healthy options** and some treats are available.

So watch this space as Lunchonline will be running promotional and giveaways from time to time. For more information and to open your account, visit **www.lunchonline.co.nz**

### TRICKY DEFINITION

**NAÏVE** – trying to leap a chasm in two jumps

### LAST WEEKS QUIZ

Double bed

*Regards & Blessings*

*See you in the new term*

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