6 September 2011 In a Christian way we learn today for tomorrow

Dear Parents, Pupils and Parishioners,

"There is more to life than increasing its speed."
Ghandi

COOL AT SCHOOL

We congratulate **Kara Nugent**, a Year 3 pupil who has the wonderful value of "generosity" of heart and spirit. A hard worker who knows what is right and sticks to it.

ROSS SHIELD REP

Nikau Murray-McGregor has been included in the Napier Ross Shield Rugby Squad. Good luck for the finals in Dannevirke this October.

SWIMMING REP

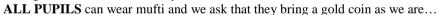
Cameron Madams has qualified for the under 13s swimming nationals to be held in Wellington next February.

JOIN OUR MIDDLE SYNDICATE - TOMORROW

Help your children to celebrate Mass together, <u>tomorrow</u>, <u>Wednesday</u> 7th in our Sacred Space at 9am as they thank God for the many blessings they have.

MUFTI DAY – THIS FRIDAY

This time we are having a "fun" mufti day to raise funds to buy ingredients for our baking and sweets stalls at this years' **GALA**.



HELPING OURSELVES!!

D.A.R.E

Our Senior Syndicate (Year 7/8) are currently working with the Police Youth Officer as they discuss some of the social pressures our children face and a number of strategies that will help them. This programme runs over a 4 week period and culminates with a celebration. D.A.R.E stands for – **Decisions**, **Assertive**, **Respect**, self-**Esteem**.

GOSPEL VALUE FOR SEPTEMBER

This month we focus on the value of **GENEROSITY**.

Our focus will be "GIVE WITH AN OPEN HEART."

So what is generosity?? Generosity is giving and sharing. It is giving freely because you want to. It is a quality of the spirit. It is one of the best ways to show love.

P.T.A GALA MEETING - TOMORROW AT 7.30PM

Only 3 weeks to go so join us tomorrow, 7.30pm in the school library as we finalize Gala organisation and helpers. **EVERYONE WELCOME – WE NEED YOUR HELP.**

<u>GALA – 3</u> WEEKS TO GO!!

BOTTLES OF WINE are needed for our raffle wheel



YOUR SCHOOL GALA - ONLY 3 WEEKS TO GO!

- ❖ GALA MEETING WEDNESDAY 7th 7.30pm (Tomorrow)
- ♦ WORKING BEE SATURDAY 17th 10am 1pm (Even if you can help for an hour)
- ❖ HELPERS NEEDED Phone 843.3492 (Evenings)

THIS GALA IS GOING TO BE FANTASTIC WITH YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT

..... a big **THANK YOU** to our amazing, hard working, Gala Committee for all you are doing

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE INTERVIEWS

Please phone St John's College, 878.6853 to make an appointment for an interview for Year 9 in 2012. The interviews will be held at St Patrick's School Office on Monday 19^{th} 3-5pm and Tuesday 20^{th} 3 – 4pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOCUS

Starting this week, all classes will be studying and discussing the "CHURCH" strand or unit of work in R.E, children are taught that as members of the church, they are part of a community of followers of Jesus, and they have an active part in continuing the work of Jesus. Each year group look at an aspect of 'Church', and this builds upon itself as the children get older.

Year 1 focus on – "Beginning" Year 2 – "Gathering, Celebrating and Living God's Presence" Year 3&4 – "Called to Serve" Year 5&6 – "The Church is a Pilgrim People" Year 7&8 – "The Teaching Church." Look out for their R.E Clearfiles when they come home, we ask you to write a comment.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK - RECYCLING OR RUBBISH

For all your recycling and waste needs contact Wastemanagement 879.8400 – they have the solution for you.

LAST WEEK'S QUIZ

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Over worked and under paid

Ka kite ano Regards & Blessings

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