



St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Whānau,

Learning Outside the Classroom

What an exciting few weeks it has been for our tamariki. The Juniors have explored the inner city with the myriad of opportunities to learn that being there offers. The Year 6's are currently learning about the taonga that is the Catlins. All tamariki 8 years or older participated in the All Saints Zones learning lots about movement, health and interacting with others.

Thank you to our teachers and you, our whānau, who supported our tamariki in these valuable out of the classroom learning experiences.

Wellbeing

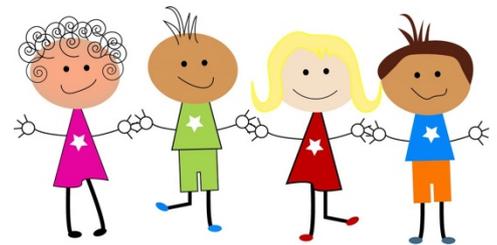
Spending quality time with your child is important and will help you to regularly check in with them about how they are doing and the things that are going on in their lives. If you think your child may be anxious or depressed, talk with them about how they are feeling and ensure they have someone to talk too.

Common Ground has some great advice about how to have healthy conversations with your child and things to keep an eye out for.

<https://mentalhealth.org.nz/common-ground>

All Right? also has some great parenting guides to help you and your child manage their worries and stay calm.

<https://www.allright.org.nz/tools/parenting-guides/>



God Bless,
Kath Lieshout

NAU MAI HAERE MAI KI TENEI KURA

WELCOME TO ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL



Welcome Vainoria Pukeiti to Room 1 and Emmeli Ngauea to Room 2. We hope are enjoying your first week at school.

PUPILS OF THE WEEK AWARD

Amira Stephens	Room 2
Ietera Ngauea	Room 10
Shiloh Waddell	Room 5



SPECIAL CHARACTER

Important Day this week:

This is the 5th and last week of Lent.

This Sunday Holy Week starts with Palm Sunday

On Palm Sunday, we celebrate the first joy of the season, as we remember Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem where he was welcomed by crowds worshipping him and laying down palm leaves before him. However, within the week the crowd would turn against him.

Holy Week begins with joy on Palm Sunday and ends in sorrow on Good Friday with the crucifixion of Jesus, but by the following Sunday, there is much jubilation as we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday.

Ask your children all about these important stories of Holy Week as a lot of learning is happening in all classrooms around these important events.



LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE – ROOM 2

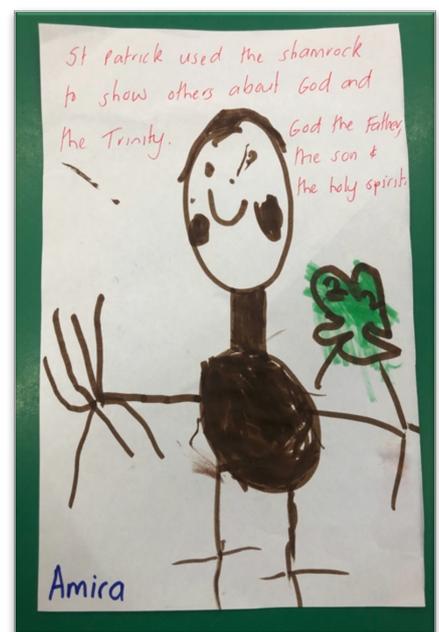
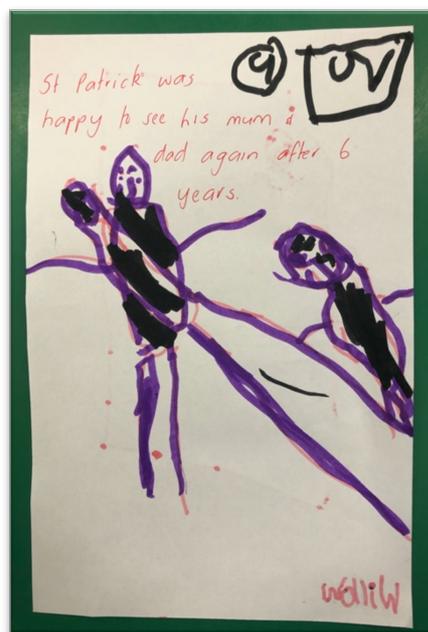
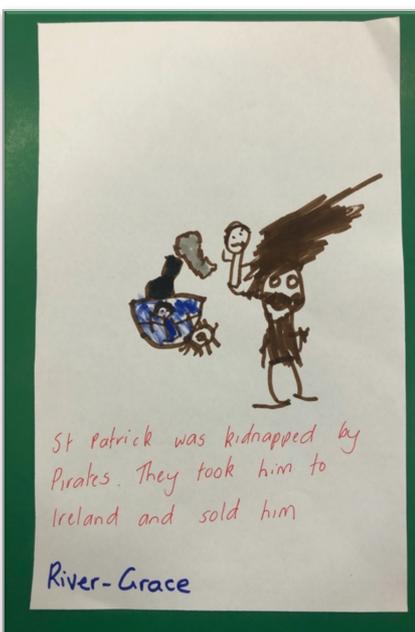
Room 2 has been busy learning about the Saint our school is named after. We have learnt the following about St Patrick;

- ☞ He was kidnapped by Pirates when he was 16.
- ☞ The Pirates took him to Ireland where he was sold as a slave. Patrick was made to look after sheep.
- ☞ Patrick was a slave for 6 years before he escaped and went home where his Mum and Dad were so happy to see him again.
- ☞ Patrick went back to Ireland and he taught the Irish people all about God.
- ☞ He used a shamrock to explain the Trinity - God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit.
- ☞ Patrick drove all the snakes out of Ireland into the sea.

We drew pictures of our favourite part of St Patrick's story.

We also made stained glass windows in the shape of shamrocks.

We loved dressing up in green and celebrating our first St Patrick's Day as tamariki of Te kura o Hatō Patariki.



LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE - ROOM 10

We had so much fun celebrating St Patrick's Day last Wednesday. The children looked amazing and the day was full of fun activities. We are all trying to be the best person we can be, especially during Lent, by doing good by others and using kind words and actions.

By the way have you seen the new path in the garden up by the Church? It looks amazing.

Kia pai o koutou wiki, ma te Atua koutou e manaaki. Have a good week. God bless and protect you.



LEARNING IN THE SENIOR SYNDICATE - ROOM 7

The Year 6's have left for camp this week and we know they'll be having a blast and can't wait to hear all about their adventures when they return on Friday. In the lead up, Room 7 has been investigating our own backyard - The Catlins!

To support our organisation and presentation of ideas, we've been learning a lot about using digital tools and programmes as well. Check out our work in progress on display in our classroom.

DATES TO REMEMBER

March:

Tues to Fri, 23rd to 26th

Year 6 Camp

April:

Friday 2nd

Good Friday

Monday, 5th

Easter Monday

Tuesday, 6th

Southland Anniversary Day

Wednesday, 7th

School starts at 9am

Friday, 16th

Last day of Term 1

May:

Monday, 3rd

School starts at 9am



ALTAR SERVER
A JOB SO BIG ONLY A KID CAN DO IT

ALTAR SERVERS THIS SUNDAY

Kizziah Sinoro, Tilly Murch and Railey Dizon

