



# St Patrick's SCHOOL

*Children of the Light*

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Whānau,

As you realise we are still at Alert Level 2 for the rest of the Term and the protocols around drop offs and pick ups remain in place. Hopefully Term 4 will mean you can once again join us on site. It is great to see so many of our tamariki arriving with jackets when it is raining. Remember if your tamariki don't have jackets, let the classroom teacher know and we will give them one.

Although you are unable to come on site, look out on Class Dojo to see all the wonderful activities and learning your tamariki are engaged in.

### Te Wiki o te Reo Māori / Māori Language Week

A big shout out to our Cultural leaders in our school who enabled all of us to celebrate Te Wiki o te Reo Māori so well. It was wonderful to hear our kaiako and taura practicing te Reo. The week was filled with awesome events including a pukana competition and even a silent haka. We miss being able to sing our waiata but hopefully soon we will return to Level 1 and the sweet voices of our tamariki can echo around the school again.

**He waka eke noa  
We are all in this canoe together**

### Catholic Schools Day

Next week is Catholic Schools Day and Miss Maynard and her team have prepared a lot of fun activities to help us celebrate and learn what it means to be a student in a Catholic school. We are very proud of all the ways we see the children being "Children of the Light" on a daily basis.

### Enrolments for 2022

If your child turns 5 years old at any time during 2022, you need to have their enrolment forms to the office by this Friday. This ensures that if we have to go to ballot as per our enrolment scheme, your child will be eligible. This applies to all students seeking to enrol for 2022 regardless of whether they have siblings already enrolled.

The date for enrolments for 2022 to be handed into the school office is **Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> September**.

God Bless

Kath Lieshout

## PUPILS OF THE WEEK AWARD

Sadie McKerchar	Room 12
Maia Nielsen	Room 8
Lucas Keil	Room 6





# SEASON OF CREATION

A prayer for the Season of Creation

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

We thank you for being with us each day.  
Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle,  
for justice, love and peace.



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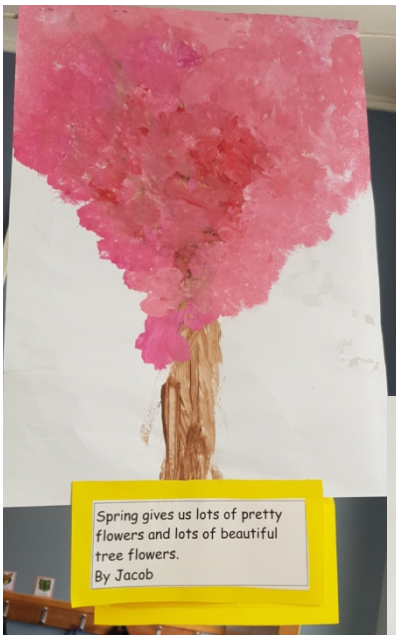
**Our new First Holy Communion and Confirmation Mass will be held on**

**Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30pm**

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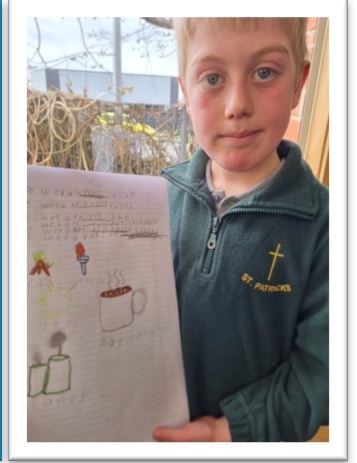
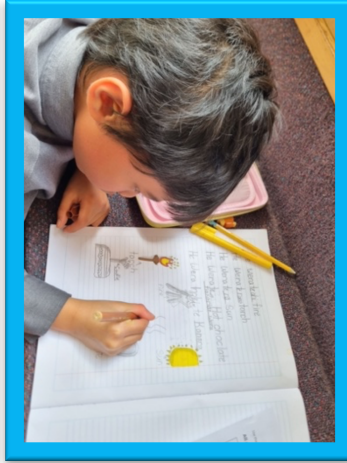
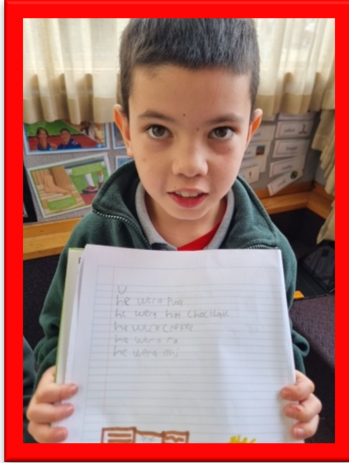
## LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE – ROOM 12

In Room 12, we have been looking at what the season Spring gives us. We then created some fabulous cherry blossom art work and then wrote a story based around what we see and hear during Spring.



## LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE – ROOM 9

What a week we had last week celebrating Te Wiki o te Reo Māori. We hope you enjoyed hearing lots more people using Te Reo on TV etc. Room 9 really enjoyed creating books about things that are hot, “He Wera”. They also had some fierce pukana that were entered in the competition. We are looking forward to being able to participate in Polyfest online with virtual performances again this year. The children in these groups have all worked really hard all year. The school holidays aren't too far away and you may have some great activities you could carry on with from lockdown. Have a great week everyone, kia pai o koutou wiki.



## LEARNING IN THE SENIOR SYNDICATE - ROOM 7

Room 7 have been super busy learning about Noah's Arc since we returned to school. We have made a beautiful, bright mural that shows the story. Check this out!



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### September:

Friday, 24<sup>th</sup>

Enrolments for 2022 close today

Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup>

Daylight Saving starts - clocks forward one hour

Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup>

Catholic School's Day

### October:

Friday, 1<sup>st</sup>

Term 3 ends

Monday, 18<sup>th</sup>

Term 4 starts



### November:

Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup>

First Holy Communion and Confirmation Mass at 6.30pm

### December:

Monday, 13<sup>th</sup>

Last school day. School finishes at 12.30pm