



St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora Whānau,

As you can see from the syndicate news the tamariki had a wonderful time last week on St Patrick's day. How lucky are we to have such a special day to celebrate Hato Patariki as a community.

With all of the craziness in the world, now is a really good time to reflect on any Lenten promises we have made. Reaching out to others in need in simple ways is a beautiful way to say you care and to be the hands and face of Jesus in our world.

It is wonderful to see the pride with which our tamariki are wearing their uniforms, this is a credit to you as whānau. Just a reminder that school shoes need to be black.

Nga mihi
Callan

SPECIAL CHARACTER

This Friday, 25th March is the Feast of the Annunciation.

On the Feast of the Annunciation, we celebrate the day that the Angel Gabriel visited the Virgin Mary announcing that she was going to be the mother of Jesus. Even though Mary did not understand completely, she trusted God's plan for her life, and she said yes to becoming the mother of God and our mother.

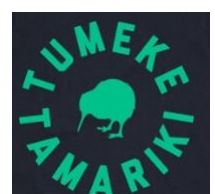
The words of the "Hail Mary" come from the Angel's greeting: "Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you." God's grace lives in each one of us, but Mary was full of grace because she was born without any Original Sin.

We can turn to Mary, our mother, whenever we need help making difficult decisions or if we are scared to say yes to God. She loves us very much, and she is always praying that we will have the courage to listen to and obey her son.



PUPILS OF THE WEEK AWARD

Harris Jomy	Room 3
Tillie Johnstone	Room 10
Matt Fabela	Room 7



LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 3

Room 3 had a wonderful day celebrating St Patrick's Day. We all dressed up in Green, learnt about Saint Patrick, decorated the concrete with shamrocks, snakes, rainbows and pots of gold and enjoyed doing arts and crafts. We are busy learning about life cycles, minibeast and NZ Native Birds. It has been very exciting watching our caterpillars turn into chrysalis and we can't wait to see them change into butterflies in the next couple of weeks. The weather has been amazing and we have spent some time outside with the Junior Syndicate doing our Athletics rotation. We are learning how to jump, skip, throw, run and balance. Enjoy the sunshine!!



LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE ROOM 10

Last Thursday, Room 10 had a ball celebrating St Patrick's Day. From the chalk murals to the parade to hunting for leprechaun rocks. The tamariki had a lot of fun making themselves into leprechauns and making leprechaun treats. Ma te Atua koutou e manaaki God bless



LEARNING IN THE SENIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 7

We had the best day on Thursday celebrating St Patrick's Day. The school was a sea of green. We participated in various activities, creating chalk displays on the concrete areas, making traps to catch Leprechauns and colouring in 3D shamrocks. Check out the photos!



DATES TO REMEMBER

April:
Thursday, 13th

Last day of Term 1.

May:
Monday, 2nd

First day of Term 2. School starts at 9am

