



St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora e te whānau,

Next week marks the most important time in the Churches calendar with the celebration of Holy Week. It would be a great time to check in with your tamariki as to what they have been learning about in Religious Education.

A big congratulations to those children in our community who were baptised last night, it was a wonderful occasion. A big thank you to our amazing Director of Religious Studies (DRS), Sue Maynard for all the fantastic work she has done behind the scenes to make this happen.

With the potential changes in Covid levels on the horizon, we will send out a full update of our plan as soon as the government finalises theirs. We are looking forward (fingers crossed) to a much more normalised school experience where that home school partnership can really blossom again.

Have a wonderful week,
Nga mihi nui
Callan

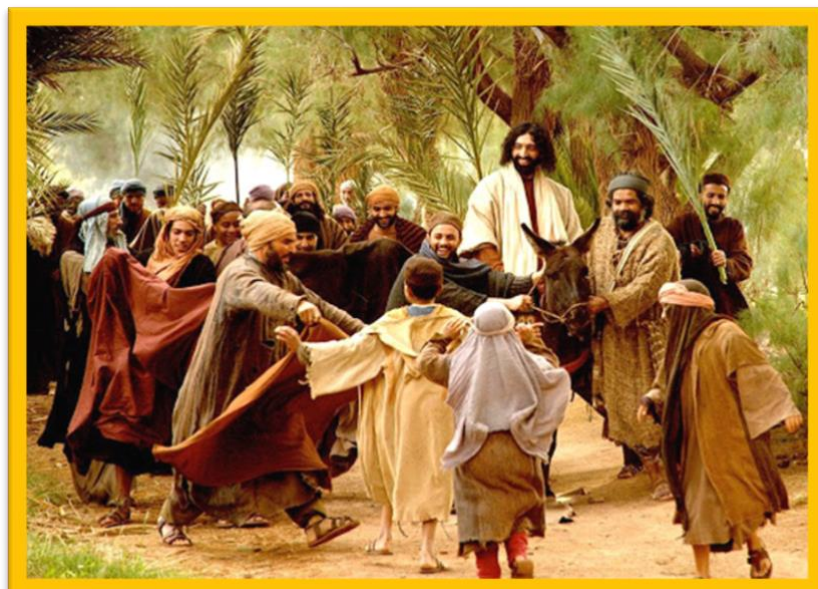
SPECIAL CHARACTER

We are nearing the end of Lent. This Sunday Holy Week starts with Palm Sunday.

Holy Week recounts the final days of Christ's life on earth.

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

Holy Week begins with joy and ends in sorrow. However by the following Sunday the jubilation of Easter Sunday and the Resurrection is with us.



PUPILS OF THE WEEK AWARD

All of Room 1	Room 1
Mikael Alilio	Room 12
Tyler Johnstone	Room 5



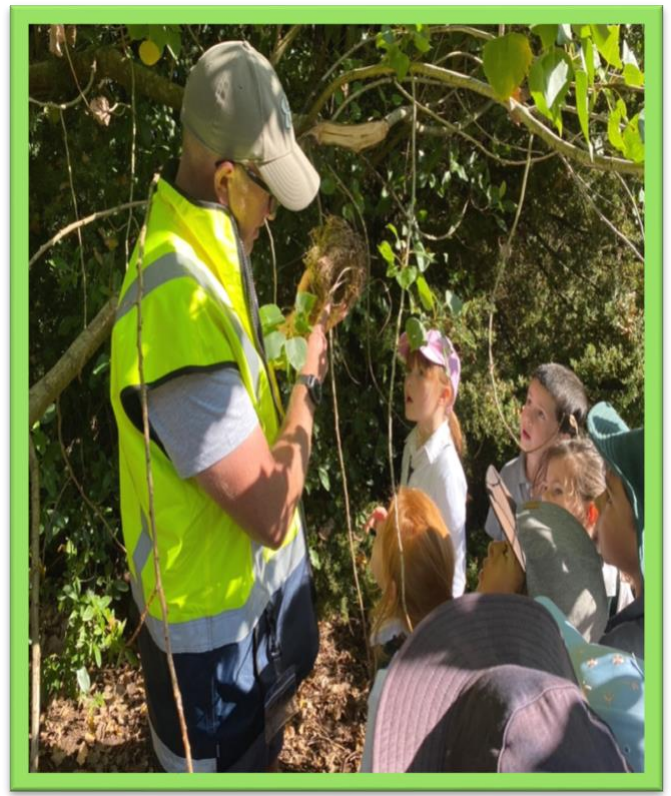
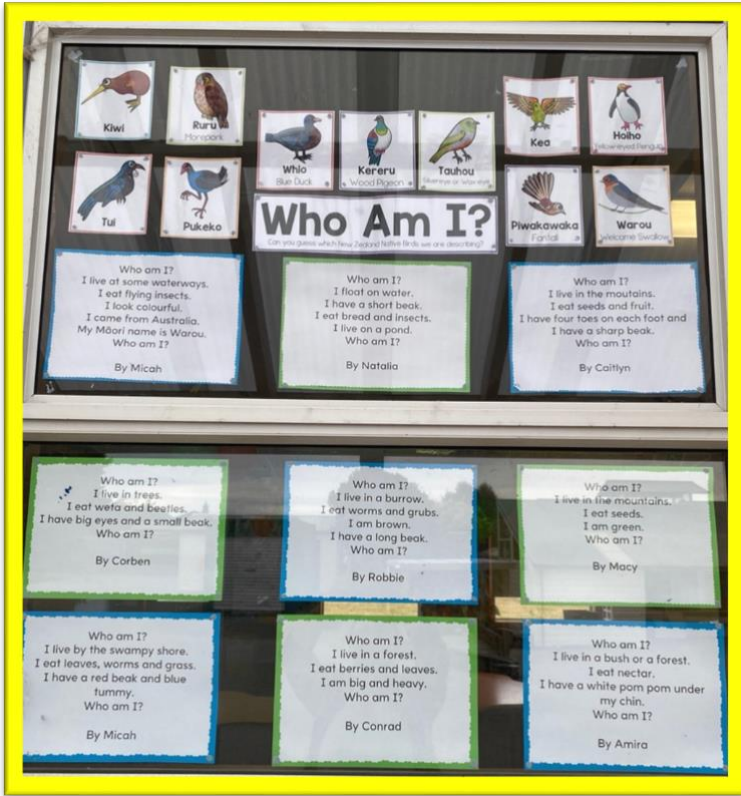
LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 1

Room 1 has been listening to the big book 'Mrs McFee's Hat.' We loved the book so much that we created our own hats and stories to go with them. We have had a great first term and love school very much. We can't wait to do more learning next term.



LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE ROOM 12

Room 12 has loved learning about birds this term. We wanted to see more birds at school and needed to find out what we could do to encourage them. Some of our favourite activities have been making bird feeders, measuring the weight of birds in chocolate fish, bird spotting in Elizabeth Park, and writing Who Am I's. We are hoping to make some bird feeders and plant some more native trees so that we can see more native birds at school such as Tui, Kererū, Tauhou and Piwakawaka.



LEARNING IN THE SENIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 5

Isn't it hard to believe we are almost at the end of Term 1! Who would've thought we would have so much beautiful weather to the point we have been praying for some rain?

Room 5 is so lucky to be a class filled with very reverent children. We pray daily for the families affected in Ukraine so when an opportunity came up to participate in a book of encouragement, friendship and welcome for Ukrainian children who are fleeing their homes and arriving in NZ we jumped on board. The book is being made to offer the children some comfort as they navigate this huge change in their lives. It will be translated into Ukrainian so that the children can read them in their native language as well as in English. Have a look below at the beautiful work our classroom sent away.





DATES TO REMEMBER

April:

Sunday, 10th

Thursday, 14th

Friday, 15th

Saturday, 16th

Sunday, 17th

Monday, 18th

Tuesday, 19th

Monday, 25th

May:

Monday, 2nd

Palm Sunday

Last day of Term 1

Good Friday

Holy Saturday

Easter Sunday

Easter Monday

Southland Anniversary Day

ANZAC Day



First day of Term 2. School starts at 9am

Congratulations on your Baptism

