



St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia Ora e te whānau

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone to come and cheer the children along on the 19th May for the Cross Country Obstacle course. This will be our first big event in over 2 years and we can't wait.

This week is New Zealand Sign language and as an official language of Aotearoa it is important that we celebrate and acknowledge it. This week the children have been learning how to sign various things in their classes. Ask them to teach you something at home.

This Friday we are having our first whole school assembly, though at this stage as we continue to monitor Covid it will be for the children only. We will assess this as the term goes on.

Have a great week,

Nga manaakitanga
Callan



SPECIAL CHARACTER

It is important to remember that we are still celebrating the season of Easter - long after the hot cross buns and the easter eggs have been eaten! Easter Sunday is only the beginning of our celebration of a season of grace and a time of great joy and thanksgiving, for Easter is not one day or one solemnity—it is a fifty day celebration, from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday. As we journey this fourth week of Easter may we remember the joy of the Easter season as we celebrate the risen Christ alive in our hearts and lives.

An Easter Grace to pray before meals together:

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us this day.

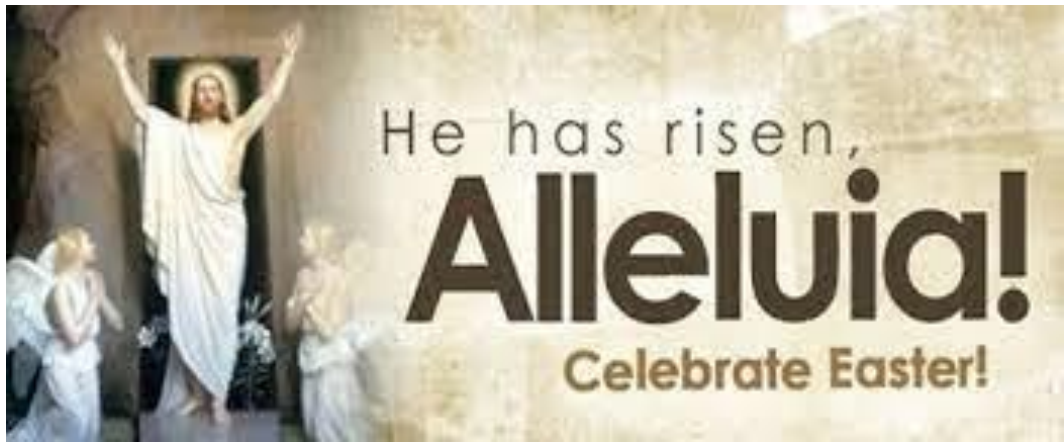
May this meal be blessed as we gather to celebrate together.

May your love be shared amongst us as we enjoy the gift of fellowship.

May we remember to give out the grace and forgiveness that you have freely given us,

and may we always give thanks for your sacrificial love.

Amen.



CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP AWARD

Maia-Rose Ramsay	Room 2
Indie Chulis	Room 10
Lexie Stratford	Room 6



PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Cheylynn Thompson	Room 4
Tiaria Mahia	Room 11
Dillon Hamilton	Room 8

LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 4

It is wonderful that we are still having sunny days! Let's hope that the sun is still shining on the 19th of May when we have our Cross Country obstacle course race.

The children need to come in their house colours and have appropriate running clothes and shoes.

We have been busy practicing running races and games in preparation for the Cross Country.

The Juniors will be starting at 9.30 and whānau are welcome to come and join us on the day.

Happy Mother's Day to all our Mums out there and we hope you loved the heart felt cards and gifts the children enjoyed making for you.

Please remember to have a look at home for any overdue library books and return them as soon as possible. If the children haven't returned their books they may not be able to get new books out.





LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE ROOM 9

This week is National Sign Language Week so we will be learning some simple sign language this week. There are some great songs to sing and sign along to on Facebook if you follow Nora Rose Kirikiri.

Samoan language week is coming up in week 5 so please let us know if you would like to come in and share some stories or songs about Samoa, or teach us how to make traditional kai etc. All Middle Syndicate children are now encouraged to wear their St Patrick's PE gear on Monday, Wednesday and Friday for their cross country training.

Below are some pics of the purple and green capsicum Jackie grew in her garden and shared with Room 9.

Have a blessed week.

Ma te Atua koutou e manaaki

God bless



LEARNING IN THE SENIOR SYNDICATE 7

What a great first week back we have had! It has been awesome seeing the children getting involved in the Cross Country training. We have some determined, speedy students!

Room 7 have been busy practicing plays in groups and we look forward to seeing these performed to us in the next few days. Have a great week.



CROSS COUNTRY OBSTACLE COURSE

Next Thursday, 19th May all syndicates will be participating in a Cross Country obstacle course at school.

Your child will need to come to school dressed in appropriate running clothing and footwear. It would be wonderful if your child could wear their house colours. If you are unsure what house your child is in, please ask their teacher.

Saint Patrick - green
Saint Dominic - black and white
Suzanne Aubert - red
Saint Mary - blue

Please also pack a change of clothing in your child's bag for them to get changed into after the event. All children will need their own drink bottle.

Whānau are welcome to come and support their tamariki on the day.

Event times:

Juniors 9.30am - 10.30am
Middles 11.30am - 12.30pm
Seniors 1.45pm - 2.45pm

DATES TO REMEMBER

May:

Thursday, 19th
Wednesday, 25th

Cross Country Obstacle Course
School Cross Country

June:

Monday, 6th
Friday, 24th

Queen's Birthday Weekend
Matariki

