



St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora e te whānau

Wow it is hard to believe that we are at the end of term already. I would like to take this chance to say thank you to everyone for everything you have contributed to our school this term. I would however especially like to thank Mrs Kath Lieshout for her amazing contribution to our school over the past 7 years and to wish her and her husband John the very best of retirements. Kath has a wonderful catholic heart and her passion and compassion for our community has been the standout for me when I think of her tenure at the school.

This Friday, we will be having a mufti day to raise money for Caritas along with all of the other Catholic schools in Aotearoa. Caritas are a worldwide Catholic organisation whose goal is a world free of poverty and injustice through community development, advocacy, education, and emergency relief. The money raised this year will go to a school community in Bethlehem, the birthplace of Jesus. If children could please bring a gold coin donation to support this Friday that would be fantastic.

Midyear school reports will be coming home with children today, so please make sure you check their bags for these. In week 3 of next term there will be an opportunity to discuss these further at our Parent-Teacher interviews.

Lastly I want to wish you all a wonderfully restful holiday break and some quality time with whānau.

Nga manaakitanga
Callan

A detailed information slip will be enclosed with your child's report.

Please check and make any corrections if needed and return to your child's teacher by this Friday.

We are especially requiring an email address if there is not one listed, along with current postal address and phone numbers etc.

SPECIAL CHARACTER

We wish you all a blessed, safe and happy holiday. Here is a prayer you can pray as a family to begin your holidays together. We look forward to seeing you all back in Term 3.

“God of Joy and re-creation

This holiday we pray that You will be with us, as we take this much needed time of rest.

We pray that there will be no problems in our holiday time.

Keep us, and all our friends safe and warm during this break.

Thank you for this wonderful opportunity to recharge our mental, spiritual and physical ‘batteries’, so we can return refreshed and ready to continue our learning next term.

Amen”



CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP AWARD

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| Ailish-May Kemp | Room 2 |
| Jacob Adams | Room 10 |
| Vavera Elliot | Room 6 |



PUPILS OF THE WEEK

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| Archie Lang | Room 4 |
| Tommy Stenton | Room 11 |
| Madeleine Leros | Room 8 |

LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 4

Kia ora from the Junior Syndicate for the last time this term!

It is hard to believe that it is Week 10 already. We have had a very busy term with lots of learning and fun activities. A big thank you to whānau for coming to support us during our cross country events, book character days and the Matariki Mass.

Please make sure that all library books and reading books are returned as soon as possible this week. If your child has overdue library books, please take the time to look for them as they might not be able to get books out in the future.

Holiday reading packs will be given out this week and we would encourage you to take the time to read with your child during the holidays.

Just a reminder that if your child is bringing their own food from home, we would encourage you to use containers and reusable bags to put their food in. We are trying to reduce the amount of rubbish around the school.

It is with a heavy heart that we bid farewell to Mrs Kath Lieshout as she hangs up her teaching bag this week.

On behalf of the Junior Syndicate, we would like to acknowledge the support and commitment we have received from Mrs Lieshout in the last 7 years. For many children starting their journey at St Patrick's, Mrs Lieshout was the first person they met through the Little Shamrock's programme.

We will miss her enthusiasm, kindness and her commitment to helping the children that walk through the gates of our school but we wish her well in her new endeavours.

*"Poipoia te kakano
Kia puawai"
Nurture the seed and it will blossom*



LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE ROOM 9

Kia Orana and welcome to our last week of term 2. A big mihi to you all for your generous contributions of hua whenua (vegetables) last week that we used to make delicious soup. Our Matariki Mass was a beautiful celebration and a timely reminder of some of the most important things in our lives. We hope you all have a lovely break with your tamariki and that the weather isn't too cold to do some things outside together. We are excited to have Polyfest and swimming to look forward to next term.

Ma te Atua koutou e manaaki

God bless



LEARNING IN THE SENIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 7

What a busy term we have had in Room 7.

We had such a great time last week with The Book Fair and Matariki. The kids loved to dress up as their favourite book character and show all their work during the Matariki night. Thank you for all your support over this time and term. Have a great holiday break!!!!



DATES TO REMEMBER

July:

Friday, 8th

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Monday, 25th

August:

Thursday, 11th

Tuesday, 23rd

Friday, 26th

Monday, 29th to Thurs, 22nd Sept

September:

Friday, 30th

Caritas Mufti day

Last day of the term

School starts back

Parent Teacher Interviews

First Holy Communion & Confirmation

Polyfest

School Swimming

Last day of the term



Farewell!

We'll miss you Mrs Lieshout

