



St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora e te whānau

Nau mai, haere mai, welcome

I would like to welcome everyone back as term 3 gets underway for what will hopefully be a great term of learning. I would especially like to welcome the new children who have started in Rooms 1 and 2 our new teacher aide Colleen Hillis. Also welcome back to Mrs Johnson who is working in Room 9 with Mrs Skipper.

Thank you to everyone for being so supportive of the mask wearing situation that we find ourselves in again and just a reminder that if your children are feeling unwell please keep them at home. Fingers crossed this term will be less disruptive than the last two.

Thank you to everyone for the feedback on the potential uniform options, we are currently working our way through these and will have some more information out shortly. Please note that we have not yet made any final decisions and that any change will be gradual. We will make sure that anyone who has purchased uniform recently will have the opportunity to get the full life out of it.

Nga mihi nui
Callan

NAU MAI HAERE MAI KI TENEI KURA

WELCOME TO ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL



Welcome Max Jenkins, Ava Henton,
Braxton Tekira and Rilynn Webb

Enjoy your time at school.

ENROLMENTS FOR 2023



Just a reminder that we have an enrolment scheme in place. Enrolments for **anytime in 2023** must be in before the **1st of September this year** to be eligible for the first ballot. Father Brendan, our Parish Priest meets with all families making an application for enrolment. If you already have tamariki at school you still need to enrol any other tamariki you have starting next year before the 1st of September. This is extremely important as there may be a waiting list next year.

PARENT / TEACHER CONVERSATIONS

Bookings are now open for conversations. **They will be held on Thursday, 11th August and school finishes at 12.30pm.** Please make sure you have made arrangements to have your child picked up.

Here is the link for bookings. The code is: eqmg6

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/eqmg6>

SPECIAL CHARACTER

July 26th was the feast day of Saints Anne and Joachim - the parents of Mary. The images of Saint Joachim and Anne, the parents of Mary, and of course the grandparents of Jesus, depict a loving couple.

At one time, July 26th was the feast of St. Anne only, but in the new calendar the two feasts are now celebrated together. According to early writings c170, Joachim was a prominent and respected man who had no children. In answer to Anne's and Joachim's prayers, Mary was born and was dedicated to God at a very early age. In many countries Grandparents Day is celebrated on this feast day. The feast of Saint Anne and Joachim is a wonderful opportunity for us to also celebrate our Grandparents.



UPCOMING MASSES AND MUFTI DAYS

We are celebrating two full school masses and mufti days in August. Mass starts at 9.15am at the church.
Monday, 1st - St Dominic's Day on Monday. Tamariki can dress in black and white.
Monday, 15th - Feast of Assumption Mass. Tamariki can dress in something blue.

PUPILS OF THE WEEK AWARD

Braylen Crooks	Room 13
Ediona Perez	Room 12
Jacob Cruz	Room 5



LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 13

Welcome from Room 13! The children have come back very excited after their holiday break and have enjoyed catching up with their friends. I would like to introduce myself as their teacher, Tracy Holz, known as Tracy and we have enjoyed sharing our holiday news with lots of photos being sent in, thanks to our whānau for your support.

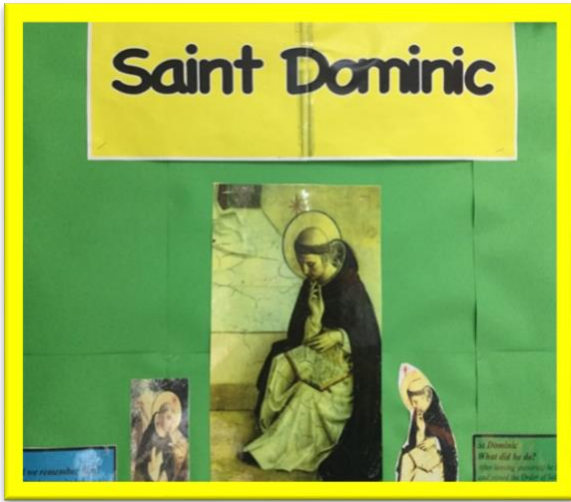
With Pete for PMP, the children have been learning about direction, and following instructions. They have been doing a great job. Ka mau te wehi!

We are looking forward to a busy but exciting term ahead, and are especially excited for swimming coming up in weeks 6 and 7.



LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE ROOM 10

Kia ora and welcome back to school for term 3. We hope you had a relaxing and great holiday. We are looking forward to a busy term of fun learning. We are learning about place value and fractions in Room 10 for mathematics. We are looking forward to celebrating St Dominic's Day next Monday with a mass and spending time with our buddy class. We watched a play today at school and it was fantastic. Keep warm and have a great week from the Middle Syndicate.



FROM THE SENIOR SYNDICATE

Welcome back from hopefully a restful but wet holidays.

This term we have another busy term. We have swimming coming up in week 6,7,8 and 9 which should be fun. Year 6's have their camp at Camp Columba in week 4. More information will be given out closer to the date. Parent / Teacher conversations will also be taking place this term in Week 3. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Speech Final

Well done to all the students in Year 5 and Year 6 who participated in St Patrick's annual formal speech competition. The standard of speeches seems to get better and better every year. All the students should feel extremely proud of all their hard work.

Year 5 - 1st: Angel Mary Joby
2nd: Eccles Talaese
3rd: Maia Nielsen

Year 6 - 1st: Shiloh Waddell
2nd: Reuben Pasco
3rd: Louise Lubos

DATES TO REMEMBER

August:

Monday, 1st

Thursday, 11th

Mon 15th to Wed 17th

Monday 15th

Tuesday, 23rd

Friday, 26th

Mon 29th to Thurs 22nd Sept

September:

Friday, 30th

St Dominic's Mass at 9.15 and mufti day (wear black & white).

Parent Teacher Conversations

Year 6 Camp

Mass celebrating the Feast of Assumption at 9.15 and mufti day (wear blue)

First Holy Communion & Confirmation

Polyfest

School Swimming

Last day of the term

OTHER NOTICES

Road Safety

We had a couple of near misses with a car doing a U-turn outside the school office. Please be mindful of road safety especially during school time. There is ample parking available at the church.



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OPEN DAY

SUNDAY 31ST JULY 2022 1.00PM- 3.00PM

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS 1.15PM



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