



# St Patrick's SCHOOL

*Children of the Light*

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia Ora e te whānau

Wow, the last few weeks here have felt a little like the Block NZ with a huge range of projects on the go, but thankfully we are almost at an end. In saying this however we do have brand new carpet and lighting across the school and the Hall roof has been repaired and partially replaced. This money through the Diocese has made a huge difference to the appearance of our school and has been greatly appreciated.

On Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December we are inviting all whānau to come and see our kapahaka groups perform and to share in a sausage sizzle at lunchtime. This will be a great chance for the tamariki to share all their mahi in this space. More details will be coming out soon, but please keep the date free.

Have a wonderful week,

Nga manaakitanga  
Callan

## SPECIAL CHARACTER

This Sunday is the last Sunday in Ordinary Time, before the Church enters the season of Advent. On this last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, or Christ the King. This will be celebrated on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November.

Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical Quas primas ("In the first") to respond to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempting to "thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law" out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever.



## PUPILS OF THE WEEK AWARD

Charlee Piti	Room 4
Jakiel Pukeiti	Room 10
Grace Leti	Room 7



**Iceblocks sale - will be sold on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec & 9<sup>th</sup> Dec. Cost is \$1.  
Money & orders via Class teacher.**

## LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 4

Talofa lava from the Junior Syndicate,

It has been great to see the sunshine in the last few days and the children are enjoying being able to play outside at break times. Please make sure that your child has a sunhat at school and sunscreen.

On Friday, we started our summer sports rotation and we had a lot of fun playing and learning about cricket, t-ball and touch rugby. Ask your child to show you how to play these games and have some fun with the whole family.

In the last couple of weeks there has been an increase in rubbish around the school particularly on windy days. We would really appreciate it, if you could think about reducing the amount of packaged food in your child's lunchbox by using environmentally friendly bags or containers.

Don't forget to visit your child's classroom to check out their fabulous work! They love showing off their classroom and work to whānau.

This week, we farewell Chris Tom from Room 4. Chris and his family are off to Australia and we wish them safe travels and all the best with their future endeavours. Chris, your sense of fun and humour will be greatly missed.

## LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE

Talofa from the Middle Syndicate,

What a week it is for Samoa!! The streets were filled with flags and celebrations over the weekend. We have been doing an Arts rotation this term and in one of the rotations the children were using clay to make some Diwali inspired remembrance bowls. They are also doing drumming, drama and some other art. Last Thursday we had a fabulous trip to Seaward Bush, Argyle Beach, Ocean Beach, Stirling Point and Omaui to see some of the places that we have been learning about. The children's behaviour was just amazing and the parent helpers were such a blessing to have. Have a great week, kia pai o koutou wiki.

Ma te Atua koutou e manaaki

God Bless



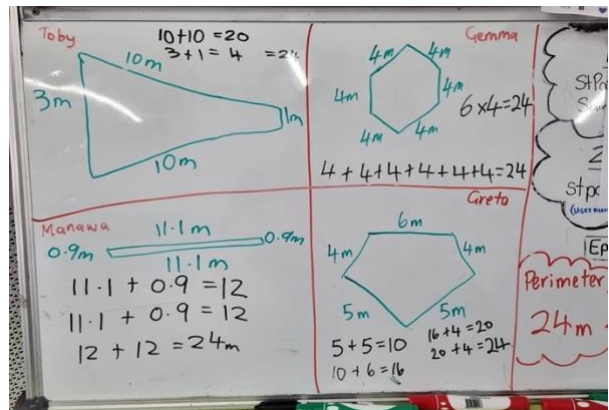
## LEARNING WITH MS BELL

Ms Bell, our Reading Recovery teacher, has been taking children to the library as a reward for their hard work with her this year. The children were given a tour and signed up for a library card. Our Public Library is a wonderful and highly under used resource so the more we can promote a love of reading the better.



## LEARNING IN THE SENIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 8

Term 4 is flying by, so the Room 8 tamariki are making the most of it! We have had some awesome learning moments over the past couple of weeks that we are proud to share. We have also enjoyed some quality Buddy Time, while our new carpet was getting placed.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### December:

Monday, 12<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup>

### February:

Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup>

Final School Mass at the Church

Year 6 Prize giving

Last day of school year. School finishes at 12.30pm

First day of school for 2023

