



Term 1 Week 8

St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia Ora e te whānau

Having parents actively involved and connected in children's education is shown to make a really big difference to how well they do at school. We want you to be connected, so this week on Friday an online survey will be sent out in which you have the opportunity to let us know how this is going for you. It gives us a chance to reflect as teachers and to continue to build this relationship. It would be fantastic if everyone took 2 mins to complete this for us.

Recently we have had a number of people bringing dogs on site when they are picking up children. As adorable as they may be we do have a no dogs policy at school, even if they are on a lead. We just have some children that are frightened of dogs, so if you could please respect this that would be hugely appreciated.

Just a reminder that we have parent-teacher interviews tomorrow afternoon and our Colour Run on Friday. We look forward to seeing you at both events.

Nga mihi
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TEACHER / PARENT CONVERSATIONS

Will now be held tomorrow. To book an appointment online, simply go to: <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz>. The log in is **85du6**. There are no parent conversations for Rooms 1 and 2.

School will finish at 12.30pm that day.

COLOUR RUN FUNDRAISER

Friday's weather is looking good. We are planning the Colour Run just after lunch at 1.30pm. You are welcome to come along and support our tamariki.

NAU MAI HAERE MAI KI TENEI KURA

WELCOME TO ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL



Welcome Niamh McEvoy, Āperahama Tapara, Eva Jins

Enjoy your time here at school.

CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP AWARD

Anahera Hape	Room 3
Lisia Pule	Room 11
Mark Gabriel	Room 13



PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Ruby Tokona	Room 2
Iszak Hodge	Room 10
Zack Chulis	Room 13

SPECIAL CHARACTER

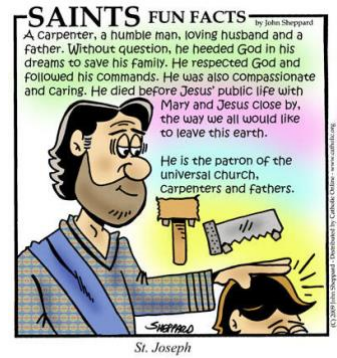
Feast of St Joseph: Sunday, 19th March

This past Sunday was the feast day of St Joseph and therefore our Dunedin Diocese feast day and it is also the feast day of our five St Joseph's schools in the diocese.

The ANNUNCIATION of the LORD: Saturday, 25th March

This is a day in the calendar when we remember the appearance of the Angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary to announce the birth of Christ. Mary does not understand the announcement but has faith and accepts God's trust in her and the difficult journey ahead.

How often do we need to have faith and trust even though we may not completely understand? The Church recognises Mary's courage in this feast.



LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 3

Room 3 had a wonderful day celebrating St Patrick's Day last Friday.

Everyone was excited to see our school decorated with green balloons as they walked through the school gates and there were even hidden treasures to find around the school. If the children found a picture of a leprechaun, they could take it to our school office (which was also beautifully decorated) and could get a treat from Mrs Dunn and Whaea Hari Priya. There was so much excitement in the playground!

There is a mysterious Leprechaun at our school who goes out of their way every year to ensure we all have the best day celebrating. This is for many special days throughout the year. They know who they are and we just want to say a big THANK YOU for everything you do for us and for always making us smile. You are amazing!



We started our St Patrick's Day off with a lovely School Mass with Father Jae Woo and later we spent time with our buddy class and really enjoyed the school parade. There were some amazing outfits and the smiles on everyone's faces said it all!

Now, we are waiting patiently for the Colour Run on Friday and we can't wait!. Please remember to come to school in old white clothes.



LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE ROOM 11

The children looked fantastic on St Patrick's Day. Everyone enjoyed the celebrations.

We are going to a show in the hall today which should be a lot of fun. Tomorrow is a half day for Parent/Teacher conversations so the children will finish at 12.30pm. On Friday we have our house haka competitions followed by our Colour Run in the afternoon.



LEARNING FROM SENIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 13

What another busy three weeks Room 13 has had.

All the tamariki have been busy learning about light in science. The students have been experimenting with torches and learning the properties of light. They have had a lot of fun learning about transparent, translucent and opaque objects and how light interacts with these things.

We want to also wish all the students participating in the Southland Athletics this Saturday all the best and good luck.



DATES TO REMEMBER

March:

Thursday, 23rd

Friday, 24th

Parent / Teacher Conversation. School finishes at 12.30

Colour Run at 1.30pm

School Kapa Haka Competition 12 o'clock

April:

Thursday, 6th

Last day of the term