



St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia Ora e te whānau

Hopefully you all had a wonderful break and a big welcome back to term 2. A special welcome to two new staff members, Jenna Horrell and Jacinta Kingipotiki who have both joined us as teacher aides.

This week we have had Ruth Blair from Learning Matters in working at our school. Ruth is helping us with implementing our new Structured Literacy approach and she is really impressed with how much amazing learning the teachers, teacher aides and children have done in the first term. This is a project we are very excited about!

From next week Monday and Tuesday lunches will be provided by Subway, with Lee's Catering still providing the Wednesday to Friday option. We are sure this will be popular with the tamariki.

Last week we were delighted to have Liv Cochrane from the Hits Southland here helping to do some tidying up. We were the grateful winners of the KiwiSkip competition, so Liv, along with Pete and the some students were able to clear away some unwanted rubbish. She also provided delicious morning tea!

Ngā mihi maioha
Callan



NAU MAI HAERE MAI KI TENEI KURA

WELCOME TO ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL



Welcome Braelyn Ah Fook, Rupeni & Phoebe Koro & Dan Dalida.

Enjoy your time here at school.

CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP AWARD

Jack Fisher	Room 1
Meadow Brown	Room 7
Luca Valli	Room 6

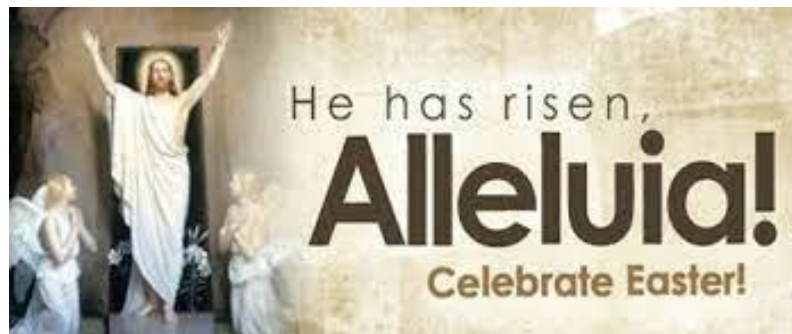


PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Louie Monaghan-Neutze	Room 2
Caitlyn Dizon	Room 8
Leo Burns	Room 13

SPECIAL CHARACTER

Welcome to Term 2. Even though the hot cross buns and easter eggs have long been eaten, we are still celebrating the season of Easter. 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 through Term 2 may we remember the joy of the Easter season as we celebrate the risen Christ alive in our hearts and lives.



Here are some Easter prayers to consider for ways to connect to God:

- God, may we feel the warm embrace of your love in this sacred season. May the glory of Jesus's resurrection remind us that with You, nothing is impossible or without hope. We pray in Your name. Amen.
- In this season of renewal, we pray in thanksgiving for the many blessings You give us. May our words and deeds today, and always, serve as reminders of the transformative power of Your love. Amen.
- Lord, thank You for this Easter celebration and all the gifts you give us. Amen!
- Jesus has been raised to new life. Alleluia! Thank you, God, for the gift of your Son. Amen.

LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 2

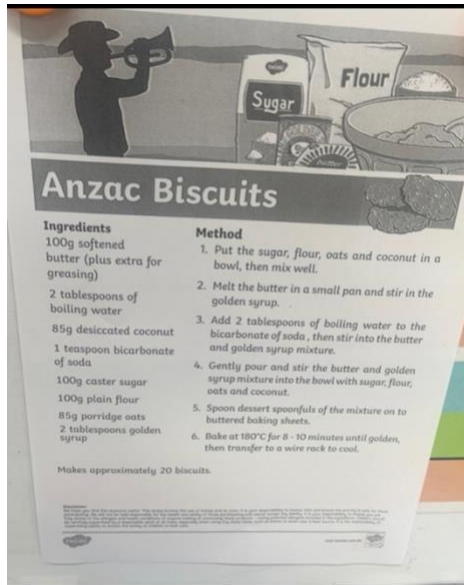
The tamariki have settled back nicely this term and have enjoyed catching up with their friends. We had Mass with our buddy class Room 13 on Monday, and this went really well and thanks to those who donated for those in need. We acknowledged Anzac Day with some amazing art work, ka pai tamariki.



LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE ROOM 8

Kia ora e te whānau,

We have hit the ground running. We have been practicing cross-country each morning. Please remember to send the tamariki to school in their P.E. uniform and shoes that are suitable for running. Last week we made Anzac Biscuits. The tamariki really enjoyed following a recipe and eating the final product. Next week is New Zealand Sign Language Week. We will be learning to sign our names in Room 8.



LEARNING FROM SENIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 13

Welcome back for Term 2. We hope you have had a restful break and have enjoyed all the sunny days we had. We have another busy term with Year 6 camp and the school cross country. Starting next week, we will be training for cross country on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Students will need to bring their St Patrick's PE gear and suitable running shoes. The students can wear their PE gear for the day. Below are important dates for this term.

Date	Event
12 th May	Senior Syndicate Marae visit
25 th May (26 th May Postponement)	St Patrick's School Cross Country
30 th May – 2 nd of June	Year 6 School Camp
5 th June 6 th June	King's Birthday All Saints Cross Country
16 th June	House Competition Southland Cross Country
29 th June	Matariki Mass and school reports are handed out.

DATES TO REMEMBER

May:

Thursday, 11 th	Junior Syndicate marae visit
Friday, 12 th	Senior Syndicate marae visit
Thursday, 18 th	Middle Syndicate marae visit
Wednesday, 24 th	School Board meeting at 7pm
Thursday, 25 th	Cross Country
Tues, 30 th to Fri, 2 nd June	School Camp

