



St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora e te whānau

Congratulations to the children who celebrated the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation, supported by their whānau last Wednesday. Thanks to everyone who helped out to make this a really special occasion.

Thank you also to everyone who took the time to fill out our whānau survey last week. The Board will use this information to help set our strategic direction moving forward. All in all it was an affirming process and gives us confidence that we are heading in the right direction.

Lastly, well done to all of the tamariki who took to the stage last Friday at Polyfest. It was a fantastic to watch the way in which each and every one of you shined on stage. A special shout out to everyone that made this possible, your support is greatly appreciated. Fa'afetai tele lava

Have a fantastic week,

Nga mihi
Callan



PUPILS OF THE WEEK AWARD

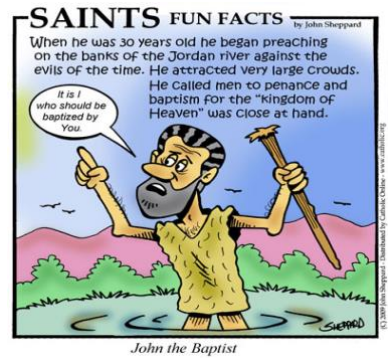
Brayden Meredith	Room 4
Indie Chulis	Room 8
Ruby Mahon	Room 6



SPECIAL CHARACTER

St John the Baptist was a contemporary of Christ who was known for preaching about God and baptising Jesus. John began public ministry around 30 AD, and was known for attracting large crowds across the province of Judaea and around the Jordan River. His feast day is celebrated on 29 August.

When Mary's cousin Elizabeth was pregnant with John, she was visited by Mary, and John leapt in her womb. This revealed to Elizabeth that the child Mary carried was to be the Son of God.



LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 4

Kia ora from the Junior Syndicate, where we are counting down to Spring which will be here at the end of the week!

Rooms 4 and 14 have had a great time learning new skills while they have been swimming at Splash Palace. Next week will be the turn of Rooms 1,2 and 3. A reminder that the children can wear their sports uniform to and from swimming.

Girls are not to wear tights or their pinafores when it is their turn on the swimming roster. This is to make the changing process easier. Please make sure that your child's clothing and goggles are named.

Well done to the children from the Junior Syndicate who participated in Polyfest last week. You were amazing and we are incredibly proud of you all. A big thank you to whanau for supporting our Junior PI group throughout the year.

At the moment we seem to have a bit of a rubbish problem around the school and we would appreciate your help with this. If you could reduce the amount of packaged food in your child's lunchbox by using reusable bags that would be greatly appreciated.

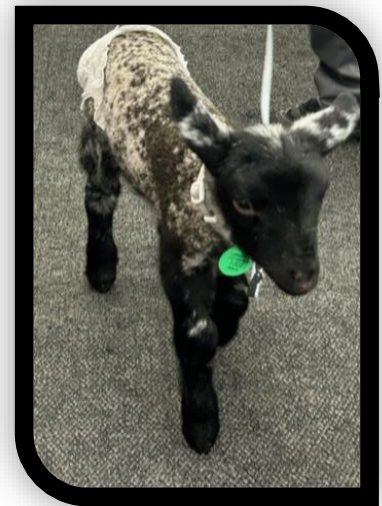
Have a great last week of Winter!



LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE ROOM 8

Kia ora koutou katoa

We have been super busy in Room 8 this term. We are enjoying going swimming each day. It is nice now that we are starting to see some sunshine. We have noticed lambs in the paddocks and daffodils and blossoms on the trees. Spring is coming! What an amazing performance from both our groups at Polyfest on Friday. You guys shone on the stage! A massive thank you to our whānau and tutors as this is not possible without your commitment.



LEARNING FROM SENIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 13

Here's a quick update on what's been happening in Room 13! The tamariki have been keeping busy and having a blast. Last week and continuing this week, they have had a great time during their swimming sessions. It's awesome to see them enjoying themselves and staying active.

But that's not all - in the classroom, they've been diving into some interesting stuff. Right now, they're learning the ropes of basic economics. It's all about understanding how things work in the world of money and business. They're even exploring what it takes to run a small business - pretty cool, right?

Keep up the good work, Room 13! We're excited to see all the amazing things you'll achieve.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Buddy Mass Timetable for Term 3 at St Patrick's Church at 9.30am

Week	Date	Buddy Classes
Monday - Week 8	4th September	Room 12 and 6
Monday - Week 9	11th September	Room 11 and 8
Monday - Week 10	18th September	Room 3 and 10



September:

Monday 4 th to Thursday 14 th	School Swimming Rooms 1,2,3,5,6,10 & 12
Tuesday, 12 th	ILT Sing Out Performance at 7pm
Friday, 22 nd	End of school term

October:

Monday, 9 th	Term 4 starts
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