



ST PATRICK'S
CATHOLIC SCHOOL TAUPŌ

TE WHAKAPONO ME ANA MAHI - **FAITH IN ACTION**



ATAWHAI | KINDNESS



TAPATAHI | INTEGRITY



HIRINGA | DETERMINATION



KOTAHITANGA | UNITY

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Thursday 13 November

It's a big week this week with the school gala happening tomorrow evening. What a mammoth effort a small group of parents have put in to make this happen. We look forward to seeing you there, come along and join the fun, there's something for everyone!

Community Consultation

The Board is currently working through a strategic review and your voice is valued. One survey has been available on the Hero app for the past week, thank you to those who have responded. I am including here the links to the four surveys we have prepared.

Thank you for taking a few minutes to respond to them.

[Catholic Character, Vision and Gospel Values](#)

[Culture, Safety and Communications](#)

[Learning / Ako and Curriculum](#)

[Behaviour and Expectations](#)

Once the current flow of Hero communications ease, they will be sent through there too.

End of term

We're moving into the last four full weeks of the term next week. Thank you for supporting your children during what is always a busy and sometimes hectic time. It is important that the routines they have established throughout the year, both at home and at school, remain as constant as possible.

Continued...

Congratulations

Last term children had the opportunity to enter a competition to design a magnet for St. Patrick's School. A big congratulations to our three winners.

Kayley, Martina and Ewan, representing each of our learning hubs. These magnets are for sale at the gala tomorrow evening for \$3.00 each.



Thanks everyone for your continued support and engagement with the school. See you at the Gala!

Vicki - Principal



R.E. REFLECTION



ALL SAINTS' DAY

All Saints' Day was celebrated by children remembering and celebrating all the holy men and women who lived good and faithful lives for God. Some are well-known saints, like St. Mary, St. Joseph, and St. Francis, while many others are ordinary people who showed love for God and helped those around them. We honour these saints because they teach us how to live like Jesus. All Saints' Day also reminds us that we can follow their example and become saints ourselves by being kind, loving, and faithful every day.



First Holy Communion Celebrations Sunday 16th November.

This coming Sunday we remember and pray for all our students making their First Communion this coming weekend.

Making your First Holy Communion is an important milestone in a Catholic's life. It is the first time a child fully participates in this sacrament, receiving Jesus in a very personal way. This moment marks the beginning of regularly taking part in the Eucharist, which helps Catholics grow in faith, feel part of the Church community, and learn to live like Jesus through love, kindness, and forgiveness. It is both a joyful celebration and a meaningful step in a lifelong journey of faith.

Holy Communion is very important to Catholics because it is one of the sacraments that Jesus gave to His Church. Through Holy Communion, Catholics receive the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, which brings them closer to Him and strengthens their relationship with God. It is a special way of remembering Jesus' sacrifice on the cross and His love for everyone.



DIARY DATES

Upcoming Events

- Tuesday 11th, Friday 14th November - Final School Visit/Shamrock Starters
- Wednesday 12th November - Interschools Athletics
- **Friday 14th November - School Gala**
- Monday 17th November - Mobile Dental Clinic Arrives
- Thursday 20th November - BOT Meeting
- Monday 24 - Friday 28th November - Book Week
- Thursday 27th November - Boys Super Smash Cricket
- Tuesday 9th December - Nativity Play
- Friday 12th December - Reports Available
- Monday 15th December - Leavers liturgy
- Tuesday 16th - 5.30pm Prizegiving
- Wednesday 17th December - School Finishes Middy



TWILIGHT GALA!

Week four:

MONDAY 10- FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER

This week we are asking for donations of the following items:

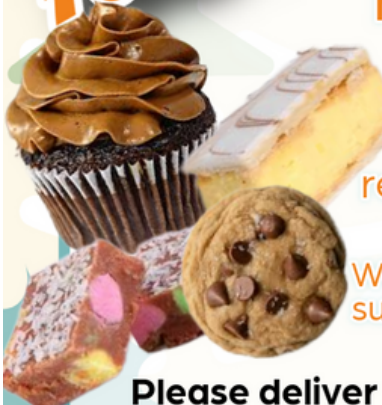
MONDAY: Students will be sent home with a cardboard Tray.

FRIDAY: Trays are returned filled with items for the Bake Sale!

Want to bake something more substantial? Large cake boxes are available on request

Please deliver your donations to the school office when you arrive at school on Friday

ANYTIME BETWEEN NOW AND FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER:
Donations of **used household items in good condition** (no clothes please) for the "White Elephant" stall can be **dropped off at the Office**





Did you know that every purchase you make on Book Club earns our school 15% of the order value in Scholastic Rewards? We use these to purchase more books and educational resources for the school. It all helps!

SEE YOU TOMORROW!





WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST PAT'S...

ATHLETICS

A fabulous sunny day was had by students, staff and whanau last week at our school athletics day. With a huge focus on our major fundraising event, the school gala, we will take time in the near future to acknowledge our winners and place getters. This goes for those that were selected and represented the school yesterday at the interschool athletics day as well.



ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL TAUPŌ PTFA

TWILIGHT GALA!

AMP IT UP RAFFLE!

Win a 3.7KW Petrol Inverter Generator (RRP \$746)
Great for camping or emergency power supply, thanks
to Steven at TradeZone Taupō!

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Tickets will
ONLY be sold
between now
and the end of
the Gala!



\$10 a ticket or 2 tickets for \$15!

STOP THE PRESS!

Steven at TradeZone Taupo - ProTrade just donated this AWESOME 3.7KW Petrol Inverter Generator to be raffled off! We will ONLY be selling tickets between now and when the draw is done at 6:45PM at the Gala tomorrow - so ticket holders will have a GREAT chance of taking this little beauty home. Perfect for camping or as an emergency power supply, and an RRP of \$746! Tickets \$10 each or 2 for \$15- Be in to WIN!

Thank you so much for this incredibly generous donation, TradeZone Taupō, see you at the Gala!



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Thank-you for supporting our Gala!

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Donations of **good condition used household items** (no clothes please) for the White Elephant stall, would be greatly appreciated. These can be **dropped off at the school office during school hours.**

- ✓ Furniture
- ✓ Bric-a-brac
- ✓ Kitchen items
- ✓ Toys
- ✓ Games
- ✓ Sports Equipment
- ✗ Clothes
- ✗ Items that don't work/ need repair

LARGE ITEMS?

Please deliver these to school between **2:45pm and 3:15pm** any **Wednesday** up to 14 November, or email ptfa@stpatstaupo.school.nz to arrange a time.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Property
Brokers



kite DAY

Saturday, 15 November 2025

11am - 3pm | Taharepa Reserve, Taupō

**Join mascot Perty & his friends along
with the Property Brokers Taupō team for
some high flying kite action & fun!**

PB kites for kids - Gold coin donation (limited to 500)

Food Trucks • Coffee Cart • BBQ

Ice Cream Truck • Face Painting • Lolly Scramble

Professional Kite Flyers!

Postponement date:
Sunday 16 November 2025



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