

St Patrick's School

Faith, Good Works and Striving for Excellence Learn, Create, Share

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Kia ora e te whanau,

This week our senior school began their mid-year testing. This testing allows us to see the progress the children are making and it also gives us an indication as to their next steps. I encourage you all to have a conversation with your child about their testing and their results as this can be quite an exciting time for them in their learning journey.

Next Wednesday John Paul II is having an open day. There are three sessions that you can register for and I encourage any year seven or eight students who are thinking of attending John Paul II to go along and have a look at what they can offer.

It has been wonderful to see our classes using the multipurpose room for prayer time and to pray to Mary. Please feel free to come in and have some reflective time in the multipurpose room at the beginning or the end of the day.

I would like to remind our Year 8 students and their parents/caregivers, on Thursday 30 May (tomorrow) from 8.30am to 6.00pm we are hosting a three way parent conferencing for our Year 8 students to re-set their goals with their parents/caregivers and their new teacher Ms N. I encourage you to make an appointment to come along and meet with Ms N - Nileshni Reddy who is our Year 8 teacher. Appointments can be made via the school office or on Skool Loop.

Just a reminder that we are closed on Monday for King's Birthday Weekend.

Enjoy your long weekend.

God Bless, Kim

Our Māori word for the week:

Wharepaku

Every child who comes and sees Miss Hines and uses this word in a conversation will get a caught being good card!

Our Lady

May: The Month of Mary

During the month of May the month of Mary, we are going to be thinking about Mary and her love for all of us and her love for God. She was so unapologetic in Her Yes to God and we remind ourselves of this Yes that she so willingly said and knew that Gods plan for her was steadfast and true.



We take a moment to pause for prayer and reflection to our mother Mary today

Ki te ingoa o te Matua, o te Tamaiti o te Wairua Tapu Amene



St Patrick's School is closed on the following dates:
King's Birthday - 3 June 2024
Matariki - 28 June 2024
Teacher only day - Tuesday 29 October 2024



Naming Our Cathedral

Pastoral letter from Bishop Michael

25 May 2024

Tēnā koutou kator

I recently shared with you the announcement that our new Cathedral will be built on Barbadoes St, the spiritual home of the Christchurch Diocese for 160 years. I am grateful for the positive response that decision has received, and I look forward to walking this journey towards a new Cathedral with you in the

The next important step on that path is the selection of the patronal name for our Cathedral.

While the naming of a Cathedral is a decision for the local Bishop, I wish to hear from the faithful to assist with my discernment.

By selecting a patron, we will choose someone on whom we can rely for intercession in our new Cathedral. We will be choosing someone whose life and example can inspire us and influence the building's design. Our liturgy tells us that the example of the saints "lends us courage" and "their fervent prayers sustain us in all we do".

I invite you to enter into your own consideration of a patron prayerfully, reflecting on how your choice can encourage, challenge and comfort the people of our Diocese.

As Scripture advises, when seeking a way forward on an important matter like this:

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths." (Prov 3:5-6)

Over the next two weeks, you are invited to nominate a worthy patronal name for our Cathedral and, if you wish, explain your reasons for that choice. Please refer to the attached guidelines when making your nomination. Submissions can be made via the diocesan website or in writing at parishes. The final date for contributions is Sunday, 9th June.

A short-list of suggestions that have emerged will then be shared with the community, and an opportunity offered to again provide your prayerful guidance on those names.

I will then spend time discerning what has been shared, considering the final three options with my advisers – priests, religious and laity – and mindful of the exhortation above from the Book of Proverbs.

I plan to announce the name of our new Cathedral by the end of July.

I thank you for your ongoing prayers and support as we enter this historic moment in the life of our Diocese. May it be a time when we deepen our love of God and love of neighbour.

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

St John the Baptist, Patron of our Diocese, pray for us

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Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Christchurch

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President & Treasurer - Anjelica Crampton Secretary Briana Herlihy Committee members - Cath Farrell, Abby Murphy, Levi Fraser, Rebecca Barber, Serena Moles, Nicole Mudu & Sacha Ryan



St Patrick's Parish st_patricksgreymouth@hotmail.com 037685263

Mass times: Greymouth: Saturday 6.00pm & Sunday 9.30am

Cobden: 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays at 8.00am, Kumara: 5th Sunday 11.00am,

Ngahere: 4th Sunday 11.00am



Nathania, Aranea, Grae Harrison were the winners of Catch Me Being Good winners for this week and last week. Keep up the good work





Students travelling with a friend on a school bus

We've recently had a number of enquiries about whether students are able to bring a friend (who is not eligible for school transport assistance) with them on their school bus. The friend would be treated as an ineligible student, even if they are eligible for a different school bus. This means the bus operator (Harkerss) would be the one to decide if the ineligible student is able to travel on the school bus — this would be a private arrangement between the caregiver and the bus operator, and would be subject to certain conditions. The bus operator can decide to not carry the ineligible student.



Pacifika Celebration Week

This term we are having a Pasifika Celebration in week 8. This will include art, games, and performances. If you would like to support or have any ideas please let us know. Contact- samantha@stpatricksgm.school.nz



If your child is going to be absent from school or late, please help us ensure they are safe by informing the office before 8.55am each day. You can inform the office by using the Skool Loop app, or a phone call to 037687830. Students who are late to school are to report to the school Any student who arrives at school after the morning bell at 8.55am, that they are to report to the school office before they go to class. This is to ensure all students are recorded on the school roll correctly



St Patrick's School offers a programme of preparation for baptism in conjunction with St Patrick's Parish. Our school priest, Fr Mathew is also part of the preparation

Whanau group

Marist

Mercy

McAuley

Champagnat



West Coast DHB Vision and Hearing Technician is visiting St Patrick's School on Thursday 13 June to carry out routine vision screening (distance vision) on Year 7 students. Also any student that has not completed their B4 School Check, or is new to New Zealand. If you would like to discuss this with the technician please call Naomi on 0277067705

Don't forget to turn on notifications on your phone to receive **instant alerts** from us via the **Skool Loop App**.





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Simple free download: In Google Plator App Store search "Skool Loop" & choose our school once installed



St Vincent de Paul shop- 109 Mackay Street (next to Ellery's and Carpet Court). They are in need of clean clothes, shoes and household items (not electrical). If you have any to donate, please feel free to drop off to the new shop or to school. Thank you.













Bus children need to wear their fluro vests in the morning and afternoon. This is not an option, it is compulsory.

process. We call the programme a "Journey of Faith". We plan to run preparation lessons during school hours. Students who complete the lessons will then be eligible to be baptised if they choose to go ahead. Please indicate to the school office either via email office@stpatricksgm.school.nz or phone 03767830 if you would like to have your child prepare for baptism. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Mr Leones of jovanie@stpatricksgm.school.nz

Class	Sports uniform	
Eden and Bethlehem	Monday	
Samaria & Nazareth	Thursday	
Galilee & Cana	Thursday	
Capernaum & Jerusalem	Friday	

Accounts for attendance dues for St Patrick's School which are payable to the St Patrick's Parish are due for payment. These are termly accounts sent directly from the Parish centre. Please make payment to Catholic Parish of Greymouth 03-1592-0832445-21 If you have any questions or concerns regarding payment of these please make contact directly with the parish office 768 5263



	Starting date	Ending date
Term 2	29/04/2024	5/07/2024
Term 3	22/7/2024	27/9/2024
Term 4	14/10/2024	TBC

SUPERIOR TASTE ALWAYS SUPERIOR TASTE ALWAYS General Superior Sup	Monday, Tuesday & Friday Various bakery items We ask you to please send the correct money to school for lunch orders. Thank you
SUBW.	Thursday \$6.50 We ask you to please send the correct monies to school for lunch orders. Thank you
SUSHI BAR ASIAN EATERY	Wednesday Sushi, rice tray, spring rolls kids pack We ask you to please send the correct money to school for lunch orders. Thank you



Children are expected to take their lunch box rubbish home with them each day please. We have three red rubbish bins supplied by the council which are collected fortnightly.







Please make contact with the school office for a consent form if medication is to be given during school hours. All medication is to be handed into the school office, this includes panadol.

Dates to remember:

Technology @ JPIIHS	Year 7 and 8	
Year 8 - 10.00am - 1.30pm	29 May	
Year 7 - 10.00am - 1.30pm	5 June	
Year 8 - 10.00am - 1.30pm	12 June	
Year 7 - 10.00am - 1.30pm	19 June	
Year 8 - 10.00am - 1.30pm	26 June	
Year 7 - 10.00am - 1.30pm	3 July	

School Mass	
Mass in school hall at 10.00am Friday	26/7
Mass in school hall at 10.00am Friday	23/8
Mass in school hall at 10.00am Friday	20/9
Mass in school hall at 10.00am Friday	18/10
Mass in school hall at 10.00am Friday	15/11
Mass in school hall at 10.00am Friday	13/12
School Assembly	
School assembly in hall at 10.00am Friday	7/6
School assembly in hall at 10.00am Friday	21/6
School assembly in hall at 10.00am Friday	5/7
School assembly in hall at 10.00am Friday	2/8
School assembly in hall at 10.00am Friday	16/8
School assembly in hall at 10.00am Friday	30/8



John Paul II High School is looking forward to welcoming you to their Open Day. This is a great opportunity to see the school in action, meet the teachers, and discover what they offer to their students. There will be tours of the school at 10.00am, 12.00pm and 2.00pm. Tours will run for approximately one hour; you are welcome to walk around and revisit areas of interest after the tour should you wish. Please register which tour you would like to attend. If you are unable to attend one of these, please contact John Paul II High School 037684166

School assembly in hall at 10.00am Friday	13/9
School assembly in hall at 10.00am Friday	27/9
School assembly in hall at 10.00am Friday	25/10
School assembly in hall at 10.00am Friday	8/11
School assembly in hall at 10.00am Friday	22/11
School assembly in hall at 10.00am Friday	6/2
School events	
Kings Birthday - school closed	3/6
Entries close for NZ Speech exams	5/6
JPIIHS open day	5/6
Algregoe Magic Show - whole school	10/6
Year 5-8 basketball - after school Rec centre	10/6
Rippa Rugby Y5/6 11.45am - 2.45pm	14/6
Year 5-8 basketball - after school Rec centre	17/6
Kiwi competitions	17/6
Rippa Rugby Y5/6 11.45am - 2.45pm	21/6
Year 5-8 basketball - after school Rec centre	24/6
10 aside Rugby Y7/8 11.00am - 2pm	25/6
Year 5-8 basketball - after school Rec centre	1/7
10 aside Rugby Y7/8 11.00am - 2pm	2/7
Rippa Rugby Y5/6 - Full day	5/7
Last day of Term 2	5/7
First day of Term 3	22/7
Year 5-8 basketball - after school Rec centre	22/7
Year 5-8 basketball - after school Rec centre	29/7
Year 5-8 basketball - after school Rec centre	5/8
Year 5-8 basketball - after school Rec centre	12/8
Year 5-8 basketball - after school Rec centre	19/8
Year 5-8 basketball - Finals (TBC)	твс
NZ Speech exams 5/8 to 9/8	5/8-9/8
Please note some dates may change which are out of our control, As dates are made available to us we will include	
these on the calendar. TBC - to be confirmed.	