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St Patrick's School

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

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Kia ora e te whanau,

I hope you all had a wonderful long weekend! It was certainly appreciated in my house!

We have a number of children and staff away at present with the winter bugs, including covid. Although we really want our children to be at school, please be aware that if they come to the office unwell, we will send them home. We are encouraging all children to wash and sanitise their hands regularly to help eliminate some of those germs!

Attendance plays a really big part in your child's learning. We have had our recent attendance report from the Ministry and it was great to see that our regular attendance had increased to 71% against 60% at the same time last year. The government has announced a target of 80% of children attending school regularly by 2030. Regular attendance equates to children missing less than 5 days across a term.

Our breakfast club has started up again in Room 0 and it has been great to see so many children taking the opportunity to have Weet-Bix and milk before starting their day. We have some wonderful senior students who have stepped up to help run this club and I look forward to seeing it grow over the coming weeks.

God Bless, Kim

Our Māori word for the week:

pene rākau

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

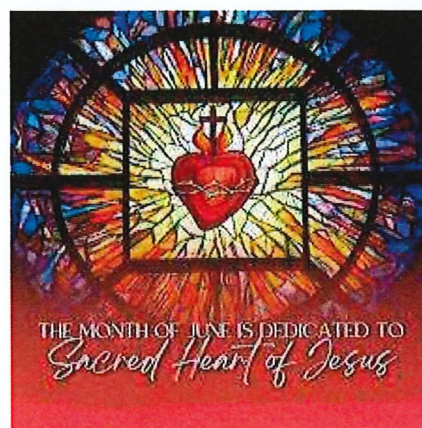


St Patrick's School is closed on the following dates:

Matariki - 28 June 2024

Teacher only day - Tuesday 29 October 2024

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus



*May the Heart of Jesus in the
Most Blessed Sacrament be
praised, adored, and loved
with grateful affection at
every moment, in all the
tabernacles of the world, even
to the end of time*



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



Naming Our Cathedral

Pastoral letter from Bishop Michael

25 May 2024

Tēnā kōwhiri kōwhiri

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 coming years.

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

+ M. Giele

+ Michael Giele
Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Christchurch



Lillian and Liam were the winners of Catch Me Being Good winners for this week and last week. Keep up the good work



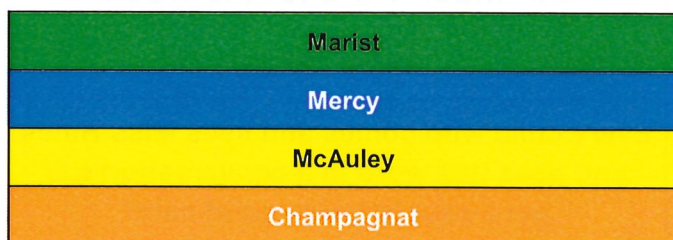
children communication committee ideas
fundraising PTA school rewarding events
pupils staff parents organisation teachers

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



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.

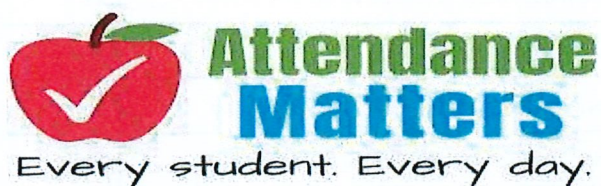


West Coast DHB Vision and Hearing Technician is visiting St Patrick's School on Thursday 13 June to carry out routine vision screening (distance vision) on Year 7 students. Also any student that has not completed their B4 School Check, or is new to New Zealand. If you would like to discuss this with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



Pacifika Celebration Week

This term we are having a Pacifika 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 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 037687830 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. A letter of invitation has been emailed to our families,

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

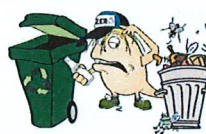
Don't forget to turn on notifications on your phone to receive **instant alerts** from us via the **Skool Loop App**.



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



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



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 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	7/6
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

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

	Monday, Tuesday & Friday Various bakery items We ask you to please send the correct money to school for lunch orders. Thank you
	Thursday \$6.50 We ask you to please send the correct monies to school for lunch orders. Thank you
	Wednesday Sushi, rice tray, spring rolls kids pack We ask you to please send the correct money to school for lunch orders. Thank you



JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL
Open Day 2024
Wednesday 5th June
 Head to our website for more:
johnpaul.ac.nz

Mass in school hall at 10.00am Friday	13/12
School Assembly	
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
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	
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
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)	TBC
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.	