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St Patrick's School

Faith, Good Works and Striving for Excellence

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Kia ora St Patrick's,

As you can see below this section we have the Board Elections coming up. Please have a think about joining our Board and guiding the direction of St Patrick's School. If you have any questions about being a Board member please pop in and see either myself or Tanya.

Last week our chess players did an awesome job gaining second overall in the junior and first overall in the intermediate rounds of West Coast chess.

As I mentioned at the start of term we will be doing consultation towards our new Strategic Plan. I am currently shaping up the questions. We will be sharing a link for you all to complete the survey. We will also be interviewing at the start and the end of the day as well as at church. We will also offer meetings.

It is really important we get as many of your thoughts and ideas to help us shape the plan which will lead us for the next three years of our schools development.

We will also be talking with the students and current Board members to ensure their voice is heard.

This week Mrs Harrison-Hines launched the student peer mediators. A group of year seven and eight students will be assisting students to problem solve around issues at breaktime. They will be assisted by the duty teachers as needed.

All of the year seven and eights received four and a half hours mediation training from the Peace Foundation. We feel this was great training for all of the group and we are hopeful the mediators will help reduce issues at breaktime and help make our school an even more happy place.

Nga mihi nui, Ian



Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that the example of your Saints
may spur us on to a better life, so that we,
who celebrate the memory
of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus,
may also imitate without ceasing their deeds.
Amen.





Get on board!

Nominate yourself or someone you know
to be a school board member.



Triennial Board of Trustee Elections

All our school families should have received an email from the board returning officer calling for nominations for parent representatives who would like to join the Board of Trustees. Currently we have a shared Board of Trustees with John Paul II High School. We are hopeful we will have permission for a dedicated Board (which just looks after St Patrick's School). Either way we still need Board members to provide governance for our school. Further information on becoming a Board of Trustee member can be found here:

<https://www.schoolboardelections.org.nz/>

[Community member's guide to the role of the school board](#)

We look forward to receiving your nomination.

Kapa Haka Performance

We are inviting our school community to come to school to support our Kapa Haka group. They are performing at two of our assemblies this term.

Friday 1 August 10.00am in the hall

Friday 12 September 10.00am in the hall

West Coast School Kapa Haka Festival 2025

Our year 5-8 Kapahaka team is heading to the 2025 Kapahaka Festival at Westland High on Monday 15th September. In order for us to attend we need some parent help. At this stage you will be required for the whole school day

CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS

If your address, cell phone or emergency contact details have changed over the last few months, please contact the school office.

It's important that this information is kept up to date.

Thanks



The Catholic Parish of Greymouth, St Patrick's Church

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



Zaira & Eve were the winners of our Catch Me Being Good. Keep up the good work.



and can either join us on the bus or meet us there. If you are available please let Samantha Doig know by emailing her at samantha@stpatricksgm.school.nz
Nga Mihi
Samantha Doig



Chromebook - Year 4 to Year 8 students
We would appreciate your support in ensuring your child / children come to school with their chromebook fully charged for the day. We have noticed many chromebooks are coming to school flat and not ready for a student to start their learning. Our IT support from Fusion has been moved to every Thursday. If your child / children have any issues with their devices please let us know so we can ensure the device is checked over, this includes power cords and the chromebook. Any questions please feel free to contact your child / children's teacher or the school office.

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Nga Mihi
Samantha Doig



St Patrick's School Policies can be viewed on the [SchoolDocs](http://stpatricksgm.schooldocs.co.nz) website, using the below login details:

<http://stpatricksgm.schooldocs.co.nz>

Username: stpatricksgm

Password: patrick

Whanau group

Marist

Mercy

McAuley

Champagnat

Dates to remember:

2025 dates	
Grey Main Ali Baba & Bongo Bandits show - Zion, Cana and Galilee	30/7
Capernaum - Technology @ JPIIHS	30/7
Wood is Good programme Whole school	31/7
Assembly & Kapa Haka performance 10.00am in the hall	1/8
Clubs @ School	1/8
Year 5&6 / 7&8 Basketball	4/8
Board meeting 5.30pm	5/8
West-a-Maths - Hokitika	6/8
Jerusalem - Technology @ JPIIHS	6/8
Mass - Capernaum & Zion 9.00am @ St Patrick's Church	6/8
Clubs at school	8/8
Nominations for Board members close at midday	8/8
ASB Netball Year 7-8	11/8



Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

Week & date	Attendance 89%
Week 1 - 21/7/25 - 25/7/25	



Nimmo Photography - St Patrick's School photos 2025 are booked for Tuesday 19 August. A link will be shared after the photos are taken, this will be where you can view and order your photos. All students will have an individual photo taken and all families will have a family photo taken on this day. We ask that all students wear the correct school uniform to school on this day, no sports uniforms please. If you have any questions feel free to contact Nimmo Gallery (03) 768 6499 or email gALLERY@nimmophoto.co.nz



School Camps Year6,7 & 8 - 2026



Capernaum - Technology @ JPIIHS	13/8
Mass - Cana & Bethlehem 9.00am @ St Patrick's Church	13/8
Clubs at school	15/8
School photos- all students are to be in their correct school uniform, no sports uniform to be worn on this day please	19/8
Jerusalem - Technology @ JPIIHS	20/8
Mass - Nazareth & Galilee 9.00am @ St Patrick's Church	20/8
Teacher only day - School closed	22/8
Great Kiwi Circus @ Regent Theatre 6pm to 8pm	22/8
Mass - Jerusalem, Eden & Samaria 9.00am @ St Patrick's Church	27/8
Capernaum - Technology @ JPIIHS	27/8
St Patrick's Parish mid winter social 11am - 2pm	31/8
Jerusalem - Technology @ JPIIHS	3/9
Board meeting @ 5.30pm	9/9
Capernaum - Technology @ JPIIHS	10/9
Close off voting for Board elections at midday	12/9
Jerusalem - Technology @ JPIIHS	17/9
New board takes office	19/9
Last day of Term three	19/9
First day of Term four	6/10
Loving for Life Year 7 & 8	6-7/10
Capernaum - Technology @ JPIIHS	8/10
Grandparent Mass time TBC	8/10
Jubilate @ St Patrick's Church time TBC	9/10
Jerusalem - Technology @ JPIIHS	15/10
Mass - Capernaum & Galilee 9.00am @ St Patrick's Church	15/10
Capernaum - Technology @ JPIIHS	22/10
Mass - Zion & Cana 9.00am @ St Patrick's Church	22/10
Labour Day - School closed	27/10

Year 7 & 8 - Living Springs Camp , Lyttelton Christchurch - leave school Tuesday 10 February 2026 and return to school Friday 13 February 2026. Approx cost is \$460.00 per student, this is yet to be confirmed. Payment options are available, please see either Mr Johnson or Mrs Whitmore

Year 6 - Westport camp - leave school Wednesday 11 February 2026 and return to school Friday 14 February 2026. Approx cost is \$120.00, this is yet to be confirmed. Payment options are available, please see either Mr Johnson or Mrs Whitmore

We will be asking for parent helpers for both these camps in the near future. Thank you for supporting our school camps.

Our Māori word for the week:

tauirā

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



Chairperson: Anjelica Crampton

Secretary: Briana Herlihy

Treasurer: Rebecca Barber

Committee: Sacha Ryan, Serena Moles, Levi Fraser, Bridie Jackson, Jennifer Dash,

Amy Symmers & Shanna Jones

pta@stpatricksgm.school.nz

Next meeting: Tuesday 14 October @ 3.00pm



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

Teacher only day 22 August 2025

School holidays 20 September to 5 October

Labour Day 27 October 2025

Westland Anniversary Day 1 December 2025

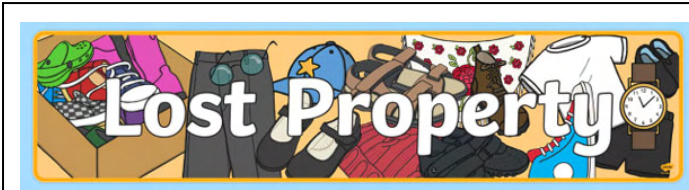
Board meeting @ 5.30pm	28/10
Mass - Samaria, Eden & Bethlehem 9.00am @ St Patrick's Church	29/10
Jerusalem - Technology @ JPIIHS	29/10
West Coast Athletics	29/10
Mass - Nazareth & Jerusalem 9.00am @ St Patrick's Church	
All Saints Day	1/11
All Souls Day	2/11
Capernaum - Technology @ JPIIHS	5/11
CHCH Music Festival Year	6-7/11
Jerusalem - Technology @ JPIIHS	12/11
Capernaum - Technology @ JPIIHS	19/11
Board meeting @ 5.30pm	25/11
Scholastic Book Fair	24-27/11
Book Character day	28/11
Jerusalem - Technology @ JPIIHS	26/11
Canterbury / WC Athletics	26/11
Westland Anniversary day	1/12
Capernaum - Technology @ JPIIHS	3/12
Year 8 treat day	15/12
EOY Mass & Prizegiving 6pm @ St Patrick's Church	16/12
Last day of term four @ midday	17/12
2026	
2026 Year 7 & 8 camp Living Springs, Christchurch	10-13 February
2026 Year 6 camp Westport	11-13 February
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.	



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.



	Starting date	Ending date
Term 3	14/7/2025	19/9/2025
Term 4	06/10/2025	17/12/2025 midday



All unnamed lost property is taken to St Vincent de Paul. Please ensure all items of clothing are named.

	Monday, Tuesday & Friday Various bakery items Please ensure students bring the correct amount for lunch orders, as the school is unable to provide change. Thank you for your understanding
	Thursday \$6.50 Please ensure students bring the correct amount for lunch orders, as the school is unable to provide change. Thank you for your understanding
	Wednesday Price increase Please ensure students bring the correct amount for lunch orders, as the school is unable to provide change. Thank you for your understanding



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	Wednesday Sushi, rice tray, spring rolls kids pack We ask you to please send the correct money to school for lunch orders. Thank you

Please make contact with the school office for a consent form if medication is to be given during school hours.		

Class	Sport uniform day
Zion	Monday
Samaria, Nazareth, Cana & Jerusalem & Capernaum	Thursday
Eden, Bethlehem & Galilee	Friday

