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St Patrick's School

Faith, Good Works and Striving for Excellence
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Kia ora whanau!

This week we are celebrating our Indian culture with the last of our cultural weeks. We have lots of sport, art and dance activities planned, as well as a mufti day on Friday. It would be great to see our tamariki dressed in either cultural attire or clothes that are the colour of the Indian flag.

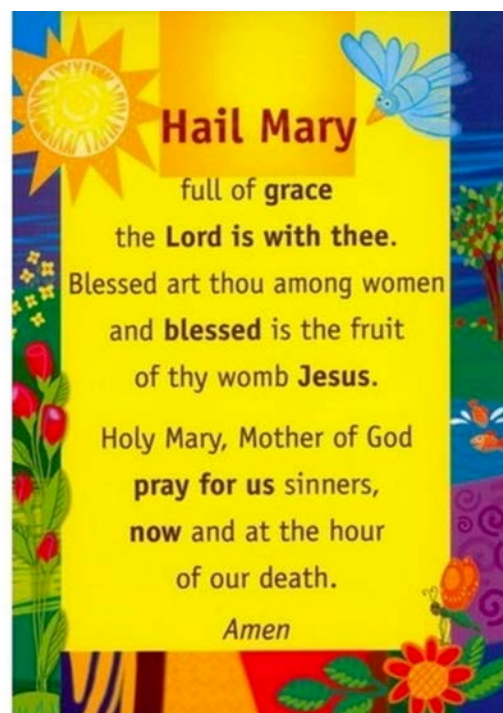
I have had the pleasure of analysing the end of year data and the results are fantastic! Below is a table showing the percentage of our children either at or above in the subject areas. These results are testament to the hard work of our staff and students. St Pat's truly is the place to be!

Subject	% of Students At or Above
PAT Maths	91%
STAR Reading	90%
PAT Listening	77%
PAT Vocabulary	84%
PAT Reading Comprehension	87%

Our wonderful PTA is running the colour run on Friday. It would be great to see you all down at the Marist Rugby grounds to support this fun event!

Camp notices for 2025 are heading home this week. Could you please make sure that these are filled in and returned to school by no later than Friday 29th November. This will assist our team in the planning of our 2025 camps.

Next week we are hosting a meeting for our current year 3's in regards to the process for



getting their Chromebooks next year. Please keep an eye out on SkoolLoop for further details.

A huge thank you to all of you who sold raffles for our PTA Christmas raffle. The prizes look amazing and I am sure that our kura is going to benefit greatly from the proceeds.

Have a wonderful week ahead.

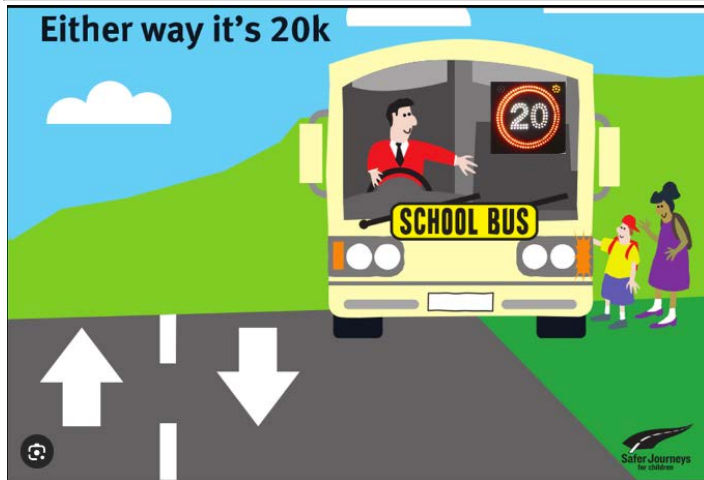
Noho ora mai ra,

Kim

Our Māori word for the week:

maramataka

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



This week we are celebrating our Indian culture

As part of our Indian week we are having a mufti day on Friday. It would be great to see our tamariki dressed in either cultural attire or clothes that are the colour of the Indian flag.

The saffron, white, and green stripes of the flag of India represent distinct values of the country. They are said to stand for, respectively, courage and sacrifice, peace and truth, and faith and chivalry.



Timetable for First Holy Communion

Sunday 24 November - First Holy Communion at 9.30am Mass at St Patrick's Church.



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. Weekday Masses 5.30pm Tuesday, 9.00am Wednesday and Thursday, 12.10pm Friday.



We have a lot of lost property not named at school currently. Please ensure you name your child / childrens clothes. Any items not named will be taken to St Vincent de Paul

Collecting Students During the School Day

We kindly ask, when possible, you avoid picking students up early, as this can impact their attendance and may interrupt classroom learning. If you do need to collect your child/children before the end of the school day, please come to the school office to sign them out. A staff member will

then arrange for your child to meet you at the office. To minimise disruptions, please consider planning early pickups around break times: morning tea is from 10:40 am to 11:00 am, and lunch is from 12:50 pm to 1:30 pm. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Sunhats - Term 1 - Sunhats are to be worn this term during all breaks.. No child will be allowed to play in the sun without a sunhat on. \$15.00 for a new sunhat which can be purchased from the school office.

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



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.



Monday, Tuesday & Friday

Various bakery items

We ask you to please send the correct money to school for lunch orders. Thank you. Note price increase as at 2 September



Thursday \$6.50

We ask you to please send the correct monies to school for lunch orders. Thank you



Wednesday Price increase

We ask you to please send the correct money to school for lunch orders. Thank you



For the safety of our tamariki after school, please ensure you shut the school gate once you have collected your tamariki. Our tamariki are to stay inside the school playground until they are collected by an adult. We ask that our tamariki do not wait outside the gate. Thank you.



Willow and Tana were the winners of our Catch Me Being Keep up the good work.



Marist

Mercy

McAuley

Champagnat



Keeping our students safe outside our school

We appreciate the effort everyone is taking to ensure our students are safe before and after school when being collected or dropped off to school by parents / caregivers.

This is a gentle reminder, the staff car park is not to be used for parking. We would also ask you not to park over any driveways and or on broken yellow lines. These lines have been placed in areas where parking would cause an obstruction or danger to other road users, for example found on an approach to a pedestrian crossing.



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

Westland Anniversary day - Monday 2 December 2024

Waitangi Day - Thursday 6 February 2025

Day after Waitangi Day - Friday 7 February 2025



Gifts for Christmas Children helping Children

This Christmas we are encouraging children to bring a gift for another child less fortunate than themselves. These gifts will be given to the St Vincent de Paul Society and Sisters of Mercy to distribute to local children in need. Please label the gift boy/girl and the age the gift is suitable for and leave at the school office. Thank you

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



St Vincent de Paul are in need of good clean clothing, linen, bedding, blankets, as well as crockery in good condition, and food items. Please drop off items to their shop on Mackay Street, Greymouth



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



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 paradol.



All sold or unsold tickets together with money are to be returned to school. These are now overdue. We thank you for your support for this wonderful fundraiser for our school.

School events

PTA raffle sheets to be returned to school	20/11
Beep Beep Day Junior school	20/11
Assembly in library	22/11
PTA Colour Run	22/11
First Holy Communion	24/11
PTA raffle @ New World (9.00am to	26/11



	Starting date	Ending date
Term 1	03/02/2025	11/04/2025
Term 2	28/04/2025	27/06/2025
Term 3	14/7/2025	19/9/2025
Term 4	06/10/2025	17/12/2025 (TBC)

YOU ARE A
child of God.
YOU ARE
WONDERFULLY MADE,
dearly loved
AND PRECIOUS
IN HIS SIGHT.

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6.00pm)	
Canterbury Athletics	27/11
PTA raffle drawn and winners notified	27/11
Assembly in library	29/11
Westland Anniversary day - school closed	2/12
Whole school Mass in Hall	6/12
Whanau Assembly 2.00pm	6/12
Mufti day for whole school	12/12
EOY swim for Year 4 - Year 8 - students to bring their swimming togs and towel to school	12/12
EOY Mass and Prizegiving @ St Patrick's Church for the whole school . Students are wear their school uniform to Mass and Prizegiving	12/12 6.00pm
EOY fun day Year 0 - 3 students	16/12
Last day of term four 2024 - midday finish	17/12
2025 dates	
School office open 8.30am to 1.30pm	29/1
First day for Term 1 2025- Monday	3/2
Waitangi Day - School closed	6/2
Day after Waitangi Day - School closed	7/2
Year 7 & 8 camp to Teapot Valley	11/2-14/2
Year 5 & 6 camp to Arthur's Pass	12/2-14/2
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.	