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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,

St Patrick's School is certainly a hive of activity! Last week we had some wonderful learners competing in the chess tournaments both here and at Grey High. Congratulations to all of those who represented our school, you are all champions!



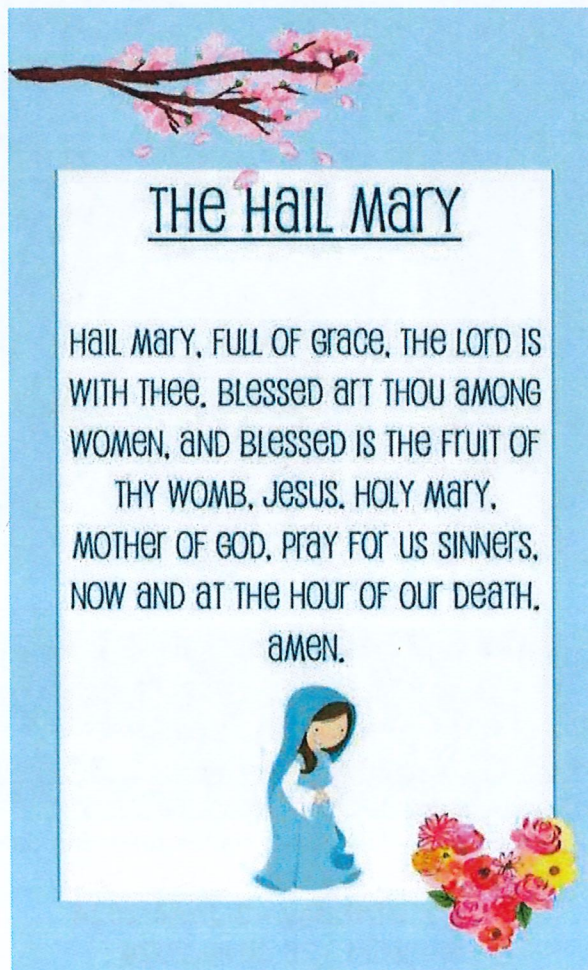
We also had two teams enter the league tournament on Wednesday. Congratulations to all of you for highlighting our wonderful school culture. A big thank you to all our parent volunteers who braved the cold and transported, coached and supported our teams in this competition.



I would just like to remind you that our kura is closed on Friday for a Staff Only Day. We are joining the other West Coast Schools in a hui led by Dr Ross Greene and we are really looking forward to bringing our new learning back to school to implement.

As May is the month of Mary, we have a wonderful grotto set up in our multi-purpose room. Please feel free to come and visit or stay and pray.

Yours in Christ, Kim





8 May 2024

To: Parents/Caregivers of Catholic Primary School Students

From: Bishop Michael Gielen

Re: 2025 & 2026 Attendance Dues and Catholic Special Character Contribution

Dear Parents/Caregivers

I write to confirm the diocesan primary school Attendance Dues and Catholic Special Character Contribution rate for 2025 and for 2026, and provide a brief explanation of these items:

	2025 & 2026
Attendance Dues	\$500.00 (plus GST) per annum (\$125.00 plus GST, per term)
Catholic Special Character Contribution	\$60.00 per annum (\$15.00 per term)

Attendance Dues

Attendance Dues are a legal charge and not a donation. Attendance Dues are for property related costs, including compliance costs, school building works, loan repayments, building insurance and costs directly associated with the administration of attendance dues.

Catholic Special Character Contribution

The Catholic Special Character Contribution (CSCC) is a voluntary contribution. As such it is exempt from GST and is tax deductible; a 33% refund can be claimed from the IRD.

No contributions are made by the Government for attendance dues matters or CSCC services.

If you are experiencing hardship (loss of income/redundancy, family reasons, etc.) and need some financial support you are encouraged to approach your parish priest to discuss your circumstances.

Please be assured that the diocese is committed to continuing to provide quality Catholic education at as reasonable a price as possible.

I thank you for your dedication and commitment to educating your child(ren) in our Catholic schooling system. Your commitment speaks to your faithfulness and echoes the faithfulness of God who commanded our ancestors to let future generations learn, and enable them to grow up to trust God, to remember great deeds, and to cherish the law (Psalm 78). I thank you for the sacrifices you make for your children, so that they might come to learn within their Catholic school; to learn and develop as part of their spiritual self; to learn and develop a sense of truth, of what is good and beautiful. Your children are greatly blessed by your love and care for them. I thank you for your ongoing support and I pray that God will continue to bless you and your family.

Yours faithfully

Michael Gielen
Bishop of Christchurch

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

Teacher only day 17 May 2024

King's Birthday - 3 June 2024

Matariki - 28 June 2024

Teacher only day - Tuesday 29 October 2024



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



Annaliese and Gabriel were the winners of Catch Me Being Good. 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



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



Every student. Every day.

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

Whanau group

Marist

Mercy

McAuley

Champagnat

Dates to remember:

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	24/5
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
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



Every year 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 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

We plan to start this programme in term two, week two with a Baptismal Mass on Friday 7 June at midday, so please register your interest. Thank you

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

Oral Speech exams

These exams will take place at school on the week commencing 5 August. Please complete the permissions on Skool Loop Entries close for this on Wednesday 5 June 2024. Payment of the examination fee is to be made directly to the school bank account 12-3168-0043139-02 or to the school office.

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

School events

West Coast Cross Country Y5-8	21/5
Teacher only day - school closed	17/5
Year 5-8 basketball - after school Rec centre	20/5
Year 5-8 basketball - after school Rec centre	27/5
Board meeting 5.30pm	27/5
Football (Soccer) Y5-8	28/5
Kings Birthday - school closed	3/6
Entries close for NZ Speech exams	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)	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.	

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



Medication At School



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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.

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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