



St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Mālō e lelei

Ma'u ha Uike Lea Faka-Tonga fiefia. Happy Tongan Language Week

Thank you to all who have shared their gifts and talents with us this week to help celebrate Tongan Language Week. Malo 'Aupito!

We are currently full steam ahead rehearsing for our PolyFest performance next week. Please come along to our tamariki. Performances are on Friday, 30th August. The Juniors at 12.50pm and Seniors at 1.10pm.

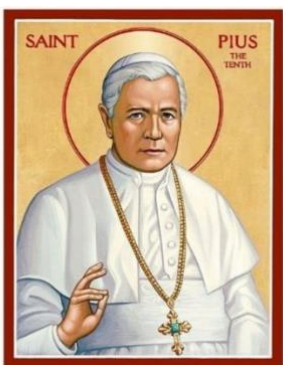
Gentle reminder, please name your child's bike / scooter helmet and make sure they take them home. There are quite a few being left at school.

Mālō
Callan

SPECIAL CHARACTER

Each month Pope Francis has a special intention focus. The prayer intention for August is for political leaders. We join with Pope Francis in praying this month ...

"We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs."



Today, August 21st is the Feast day of St Pius X. He taught about the simplicity of life, and humility of heart. Teaching that these two qualities are the highest wisdom and the indispensable conditions of a perfect Christian life. His last will and testament bears the striking sentence: "I was born poor, I have lived in poverty, and I wish to die poor."

PUPILS OF THE WEEK AWARD

Collins Levale	Room 2
Jordan Subin	Room 11
Levi Hodge	Room 12



LEARNING FROM THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE – ROOM 3

In Room 3 we have been learning about the Olympics. We enjoyed learning lots of different facts about the Olympics and all the different events that take place. We were also lucky enough to see and touch a REAL gold medal from these Olympics! The Junior Syncicate enjoyed completing in our Olympic rotations - we had a go a relays, target throwing and dancing. Here are some facts we learnt about the Olympics;

“The Olympics happen every four years” - Harry

“There are 5 Olympic rings” - Della

“The Olympics were held in Paris, France” - Mila Mae

“I liked watching the speed climbing” - Tatiana

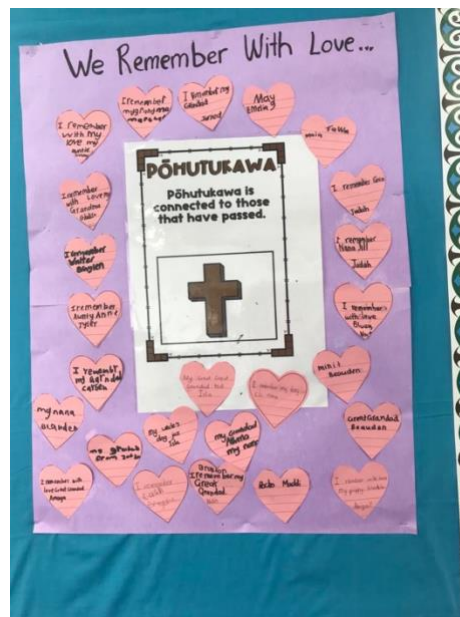
“I liked watching the divers dive off the diving board” - Marciano

“Alena showed us her 2 gold medals, it was so cool” - Cairo



LEARNING FROM THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE – ROOM 13

Room 13 have been enjoying learning about the Olympics. Our Country of focus has been France and Mrs Smellie has been teaching us how to speak French phrases. Last week for writing we pretended we would be Olympians of the future and wrote Sports Champion profiles about ourselves. In Maths we coloured in Olympic rings and used these to work out how many were in each poster we made. It was lucky they were in groups of five so we were able to use our skip counting to work out the answers. We also loved watching the kayaking and the pole vaulting especially.



LEARNING FROM THE SENIOR SYNDICATE - ROOM 6

This week started with the Seniors watching the speech final. We were joined by the winners from Halfmoon Bay, Woodlands and St John's. We were very proud of Lennix, Mika and Adah who all presented amazing speeches on the day.

In class we have been busy learning about the Assumption of Mary. We celebrated this important day last Thursday with a whole School Mass. In class we wrote acrostic poems. Have a look at some in the photos below.



FROM VANESSA OUR SPORTS CO-ORDINATOR

Last Tuesday, we had three teams participate in the INC Netball Festival, and the kids were absolutely awesome, showing amazing skill and teamwork on the court. They played hard, and their efforts paid off with victories in every game and one well-fought draw. Huge congratulations to all of our players

Thank you to our amazing coaches and everyone who came out to support us.

MASS TIMETABLE – MASS STARTS AT 9.30 AT THE CHURCH – ALL WELCOME

Week 6: Wednesday 28 August	Rooms 14 and 10
Week 7: Wednesday 4 September	Room 13 and 6
Week 8: Wednesday 11 September	Rooms 4 and 7
Week 9: Wednesday 18 September	Rooms 3 and 12
Week 10: Wednesday 25 September	Rooms 8 and 11

SCHOOL CALENDAR

<u>August / Heretūikōkā</u>	
Wednesday, 21 st	School Board of Trustees meeting at 7pm
Friday, 23 rd	Raffle tickets due back
Monday, 26 th	Enrolments for High / Secondary Schools close
Thursday, 29 th	Young Vinnies Caritas YCC non-uniform day
Friday, 30 th	Mīharo Murihiku Polyfest -Juniors @ 12.50pm Seniors @ 1.10pm
<u>September / Mahuru</u>	
Friday, 6 th	Last day for 2025 New Enrolments
Sunday, 8 th	Confirmation and First Holy Communion Mass St Mary's at 2pm
Monday, 16 th	School Photos
Tues, 2 nd to Friday, 27 th	School swimming starts. Information to come
Friday 27 th	Last day of school term
<u>October/Whiringa-ā-Nuku</u>	
Monday, 14 th	First day of Term 4



SCHOOL LUNCH MENU FOR TERM 3

Monday	Weeks 5,7,9	Weeks 4,6,8,10
	Macaroni cheese & yoghurt	Macaroni cheese & yoghurt
Tuesday	Mouse traps & fruit salad	Mouse traps & fruit salad
Wednesday	Butter chicken & laddhu	Butter chicken & laddhu
Thursday	Pizza & yoghurt	Sausage Casserole with mashed potatoes & yoghurt
Friday	Nachos & cake	Shepherd's pie & cake
Sides - Fruit, yoghurt, laddhu or cake All tamariki with special diets will be catered for.		
<i>Menu could change without prior notice</i>		