



Term 3 Week 4

St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia Orāna

This week we celebrate Cook Islands Language Week.

The first swimming group started on Monday and it has been great to see how organised and well behaved the children have been. Just a reminder about naming clothing as there is still quite a lot of unnamed clothing arriving.

This week we are also celebrating St Dominic's day and the Dominican sister who founded our school. St Dominic believed in the truth and the importance of study, as well as being a joyful person, which are messages as true today as they were in his time.

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CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP AWARD

Elijah Pule	Room 4
Emilene Weston	Room 8
Luther-Tavita Fa'amoe-loane	Room 12



PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Henley Crooks	Room 1
Louie Monaghan-Neutze	Room 11
All of Room 6	Room 6

SPECIAL CHARACTER

Today as well as celebrating the Feast of St Dominic we remember the Feast of the Transfiguration of Jesus.

The disciples Peter, James, and John witnessed this amazing event and recognized, *maybe for the first time*, who Jesus really was.

Jesus took Peter, James, and John up onto a mountain to pray. As these disciples watched in awe, Jesus transfigured (changed appearance). His face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Even more incredible, Jesus was joined by the long-dead Moses and Elijah.

This appearance was an affirmation of Jesus as the fulfilment of the law and the prophets. The whole phenomenon of the transfiguration was an affirmation of Jesus as the Messiah. For a moment the glass, through which only half-truth could be seen, was removed, and the ultimate truth was revealed.

The Transfiguration is one of the five major milestones in the gospels of the life of Jesus, the others are his baptism, crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension.



LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 1

Room 1 and 2 have made a great start to term 3 and have been busy exploring and learning. We have visited our Church for our Buddy Mass and to learn more about the special things we can find inside St Patrick's church. There have been new friends to welcome into our class and our tamariki have shown great kindness and leadership by helping them learn our routines. Swimming is a couple of weeks away and we are all very excited to get into the pool and improve our skills.



LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE ROOM 11

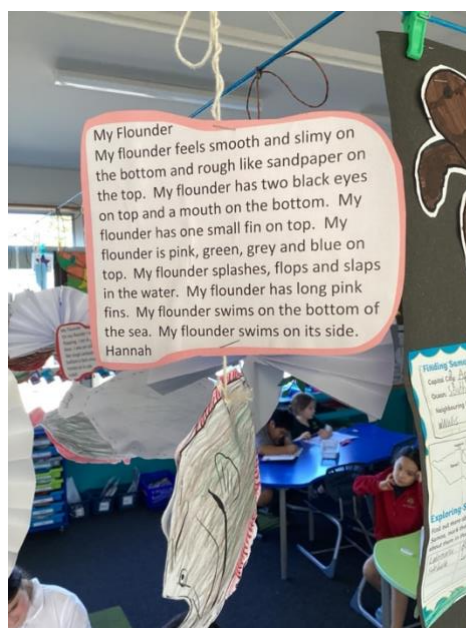
Kia Orāna

Happy Cook Island Language Week. We started off the week raising the Cook Island flag and listening to the National anthem. We will be learning about the Cook Islands throughout the week.

What a great start to swimming for those classes that are going. It is great seeing all the children trying hard to learn new swimming skills.

Today we are going to Mass to celebrate St Dominic's Day. It's so great seeing everyone dressed up in black and white.

We are really looking forward to our Middle Syndicate Trip on Friday where we are visiting the CBD focussing on our learning around Mahika Kai and looking at the beautiful artwork around town. Please be on time to school on Friday as we don't want you to miss the bus.



LEARNING IN THE SENIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 5

Kia orana!

We had a wonderful start to the week as we celebrated Cook Islands Language Week together as a school. The raising of the Cook Islands flag and listening to the national anthem was a lovely moment for us all.

A quick reminder: homework is sent home every Monday and is due back on Friday. It is your child's responsibility to ensure their homework is brought home and returned to school on time.

Last Thursday, we had an absolute blast at our school disco! There was so much excitement in the air, and we saw some impressive dance moves on the floor – a big thank you to everyone who helped make it such a fun event.

Today, we're thrilled to be celebrating St Dominic's Day with a range of exciting activities planned across the school. It's a special day for us to come together in joy, community, and celebration.



MASS TIMETABLE – MASS STARTS AT 9.15 AT THE CHURCH – ALL WELCOME

Week 4: Wednesday 6 August	SCHOOL MASS St Dominic's Day at 1.45pm
Week 5: Friday 15 August	SCHOOL MASS Feast of the Assumption
Week 6: Wednesday 20 August	Rooms 4 and 8
Week 7: Wednesday 27 August	Rooms 3 and 5
Week 8: Wednesday 3 September	Rooms 10 and 11
Week 9: Wednesday 10 September	Rooms 7 and 13
Week 10: Wednesday 17 September	Rooms 3 and 5

DATES TO REMEMBER

August / Here-turi-kōkā:

Mon 4 th to Wed 6 th	Swimming at Splash Palace for Rooms 4,7,8,11,12,& 14.
Mon 11 th to Wed 13 th	Leave school at 10.10 & return by 12.30
Wednesday, 6 th	St Dominic's Day Mass @ 1.45 in th Church. Tamariki can wear black & white. Non perishable food for offertory would be appreciated
	Board of Trustees meeting in the Staffroom @ 7pm
Friday, 22 nd	PolyFest 11.40 to 12noon St Patrick's PI Groups at the ILT Stadium. Gold coin koha entry
Tues 19 th & Wed 20 th	Swimming at Splash Palace for Rooms 1,2,3,5,6,10 & 13
Tues 26 th & Wed 27 th	Leave school at 10.10 & return by 12.30
Tues 2 nd & 3 rd Sept	

September / Mahuru:

Friday, 19 th	Last day of school term

October Whiringa-ā-nuku

Monday, 6 th	First of Term 4
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SCHOOL LUNCH MENU THIS TERM

	Weeks 5, 7, 9	Weeks 4, 6, 8,10	Sides: Fruit, yoghurt, Grainwaves All tamariki with special diets will be catered for. <i>Menu could change without prior notice</i>
Monday	Butter chicken & rice	Tomato pasta bake	
Tuesday	Spaghetti buns	Chicken burgers	
Wednesday	Crumbed chicken tenders with pea, potato & gravy	Creamy coconut chicken	
Thursday	Sandwich & carrot sticks	Spaghetti buns	
Friday	Nachos	Mince Casserole	