



Term 4 Week 2

St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora e te Whānau,

Just a couple of quick reminders for term 4. Please make sure that you send your child with a hat to protect them from the sun. Note we don't have official school hats, so just a hat that best keeps the sun off.

Next Thursday, 23rd October, there will be a Teacher and Teacher Aide strike. School will not be open for instruction on this day. However, limited staff will be on site to supervise children if necessary.

Please ensure you have completed the survey from Mr Collie to let us know if your child will need to be at school on that day.

Thank you for your understanding and support

Ngā manaakitanga
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SPECIAL CHARACTER

We continue to learn about and pray the Rosary during this month of October, which is known as the month of the Rosary in the Catholic Church.

Here's a simple breakdown:

1. **Structure:** The rosary has a chain of beads—usually 59 in total. There are groups of ten beads (called "decades") separated by a single bead.
2. **Prayers:** Each bead represents a specific prayer. The main prayers are the "Our Father," "Hail Mary," and "Glory Be."
3. **Meditation:** As you pray, you focus on specific events or "mysteries" from the lives of Jesus and Mary. There are different sets of mysteries, typically divided into Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious, and Luminous.
4. **Purpose:** The rosary is meant to help people reflect, find peace, and connect with their faith.

In essence, it's a way to pray and meditate on important aspects of Christianity using a structured format.

If you would like to pray the Rosary as a family please the links below to help you - one decade at a time is recommended as long enough for the children. Choose which mystery you would like to focus on.



Pray Along Videos

Joyful Mysteries

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CnC0tV7IEDM>

Sorrowful Mysteries

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q1p6g2EQwUQ>

Luminous Mysteries

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MFrC9Is7fOU>

Glorious Mysteries

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W1e_xGw9QSI

CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP AWARD

Grayson Stapleton-Greig	Room 3
William O'Brien	Room 7
Anthony Batoy	Room 5



PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Kaysha Chulis	Room 4
Olivia Muir	Room 8
Macy Smith	Room 5

LEARNING IN THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 4

Kia ora i te Whānau

We hope you are all enjoying the Spring weather and all that it brings with sun, wind and rain!

This month, we are learning about the Rosary and practising it daily in class. This is an important practice in the Catholic Church because it encourages people to focus on the lives of Jesus and Mary and to ask for peace.

The children have been introduced to Rosary Beads and if you have a set at home, you can talk to your child about their importance to you .

To celebrate Labour Weekend and the start of camping season, the Junior Syndicate have a camp day on Friday the 24th of October. The children can come dressed for camping and can bring a camp chair or sleeping bag to put inside or outside of their class tent. Your child's teacher will send more information about this on Class Dojo.

We have had St John's Ambulance visiting and it is important that the children can say their full name and know their address if they have to call emergency services.



LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE ROOM 8

Wow, where did last week go? It absolutely flew by, and Room 8 reckons the whole term will be just the same!

We were lucky enough, as a Middle Syndicate, to have Nicole and Roxton visit on Friday to share their amazing knowledge about Muttonbird Island. A massive thank you to you both – we learnt so much and loved every minute!

In class, we're busy planning what we'll be selling at Market Night later this term. The creativity is flowing, and we can't wait to share our wonderful ideas with you all.



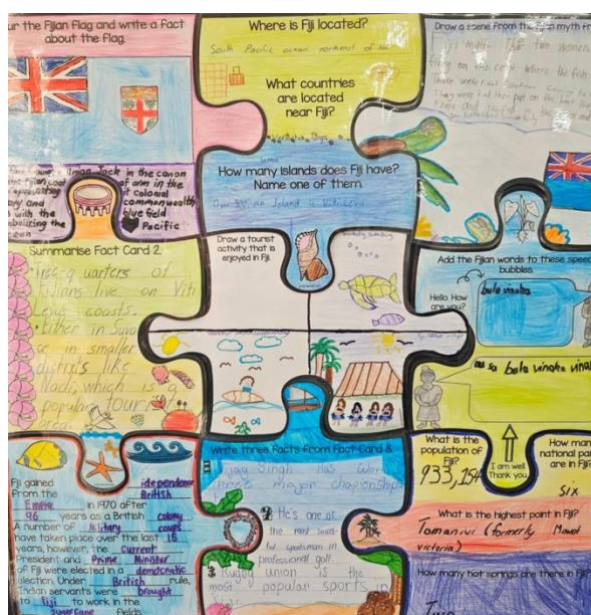
LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE ROOM 5

Week 2 already – and hasn't it been lovely to see the sun out!

Last week we celebrated Fijian Language Week and completed some fun learning activities in class. On Friday, we were lucky to have Roxton and his mum, Nicole, come in to share about the process of going over and catching mutton birds. It was a fascinating talk that all the tamariki thoroughly enjoyed!

This week, we've started our Catholic Cup practices. Please make sure your child brings appropriate gear for their chosen sport. They are also able to wear their sports uniform (St Patrick's P.E. top and black shorts) on Monday and Wednesday for practices.

A reminder that homework books go home on Monday and are to be brought back every Friday. If your child is away, please return their book on the following Monday so they can receive their new work.



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

Week 2: Wednesday 15 October	Rooms 1, 2 and 6
Week 3: Wednesday 22 October	Room 4 and 8
Week 4: Wednesday 29 October	Room 7 and 13
Week 5: Wednesday 5 November	Room 12 and 14
Week 6: Wednesday 12 November	Room 10 and 11
Week 7: Wednesday 19 November	SENIOR SYNDICATE MASS
Week 8: Wednesday 26 November 1st Sunday of Advent 30/11	MIDDLE SYNDICATE MASS
Week 9: Wednesday 3 December - Advent	JUNIOR SYNDICATE MASS
Week 10: Thursday 11 December	SCHOOL MASS 1.30pm End of year Mass

DATES TO REMEMBER

October Whiringa-ā-nuku

Thursday, 23 rd	Teacher's Strike day
Wednesday, 29 th	Board of trustees meeting at 7pm

November Whiringa-ā-rangi

Monday, 6 th	First of Term 4
Friday, 28 th	Night Market 4pm to 7pm. More details to follow

December - Hakihea

Friday, 12 th	Last day of school. School finishes at 12.30pm
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February / Huitānguru

Tuesday, 3 rd	First day of school 2026
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SCHOOL LUNCH MENU THIS TERM

	Weeks 1,3,5,7,9	Weeks 2,4,6,8,10	
Monday	Nachos	Mince casserole	Sides: Fruit, yoghurt, Grainwaves, banana cake
Tuesday	Sandwiches	Chicken burgers	
Wednesday	Butter Chicken & Rice	Creamy coconut chicken	All tamariki with special diets will be catered for.
Thursday	Spaghetti buns	Sandwiches	
Friday	Pizza	Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, peas & gravy	<i>Menu could change without prior notice</i>



Kitchen Whānau