Term 4 Week 2

St Patrick's SCHOOL

Children of the Light

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Fakalofa lahi atu koutou
This week we recognise Niue Language Week!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has taken the time to provide feedback on our school's Strategic Plan through the survey shared on ClassDojo. Your thoughts, ideas and suggestions are greatly appreciated.

As a school community, we value the voices of our tamariki, whānau and wider community. Your feedback helps us reflect on what is important to our school, celebrate what we are doing well and identify areas where we can continue to grow and improve. Working together ensures that our future direction reflects the hopes and aspirations we share for our children and their learning.

The survey will remain open until the end of this week, so there is still time to have your say if you haven't had the opportunity yet. I will send out one final reminder on ClassDojo tomorrow.

This Friday we are looking forward to our Junior Camp Out day and the weather looks like it is going to play ball, which is even better.

Have a great week and enjoy the long weekend,

Mutolu kia
Callan

SPECIAL CHARACTER



Tomorrow is the feast day of Saint John Paul II who was one of the most loved popes in history! Before he became the leader of the Catholic Church, he was a regular boy named Karol Józef Wojtyła who grew up in Poland. His friends used to call him by his nickname, "Lolek." He loved playing soccer, skiing, and writing plays. He is the Patron Saint of World Youth Day and young people.

Some other fun facts about St John Paul II - who inspired millions with his kindness, courage, and deep faith in God.

- 🎭 Before becoming a priest, he was also a theatre actor and poet.
- 🙏 He became pope in 1978, the first non-Italian pope in over 400 years.
- 🌍 He travelled to over 120 countries, more than any other pope before him, spreading a message of peace, hope, and God's love.
- 💬 He often said, "Do not be afraid!" encouraging people to trust God in all things.
- 🎉 He started World Youth Day, bringing together young Catholics from around the world to celebrate faith and friendship.
- 💞 He had a special devotion to Mary and his motto was "Totus Tuus" - *Totally Yours*, meaning he gave his whole life to Jesus through Mary.
- 🕊️ He helped bring peace and freedom to countries suffering under communism, including his own homeland of Poland.
- ✝ St John Paul II died in 2005 and was canonised (made a saint) in 2014.

A Thought to Share:
"The future starts today, not tomorrow." — *St John Paul II*

NAU MAI HAERE MAI KI HATO PATARIKI WELCOME TO ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL



Welcome Thea Pubben & Izzy Casey

Enjoy your time here at school

PUPILS OF THE WEEK AWARD

Kobie Vincent	Room 4
Maxx Fabela	Room 11
Jacob Clark	Room 7



SHARING FROM THE JUNIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 4

Fakaalofa lahi atu (warmest greetings in Niuean)

This week we have lots of celebrations happening! We have been busy celebrating Niue Language Week by learning greetings, reading stories from Niue, and exploring what life is like there.

On Friday, we have the Junior Syndicate Camp Day, which we are all very excited about. Fingers crossed for a fine day with no wind! If we aren't able to set up the tents outside, we will set them up in the hall. The tamariki can come dressed in camping clothes and bring a sleeping bag and a deck chair if they have them. We will celebrate Camp day with games, sausages, bread, and s'mores! More information about Camp Day is available on the Junior Syndicate Dojo or talk to your child's teacher.

As October is the month of the Rosary, it is important that the children understand why we pray the Rosary and how to pray it with Rosary beads. If you have your own Rosary beads, use this time to share why they are important to you and where you got them from. The tamariki enjoy sharing this back with their class.

Also, a reminder that all tamariki need to have a named sunhat in Term 4 to play outside.

Have a great week and enjoy your long weekend next week!

Mutolu kia (Niuean Goodbye)

SHARING FROM THE MIDDLE SYNDICATE ROOM 11

Kia ora from Room 11. The children have come back ready to get back into learning as much as possible for the last term this year. We are really lucky to have a student teacher Miss Raines in our room for the next 4 weeks. She will be getting to know the tamariki and spending some time teaching as well. We are lucky to also have a student teacher Miss Buchanan in Room 10 as well.
We are learning how to add and subtract simple fractions with the same denominator in Maths, we are learning about the elections, writing using descriptive words and learning the game Poi Rakau outside.



SHARING FROM THE SENIOR SYNDICATE ROOM 7

It was a busy week with students completing most of their PAT tests. Our Year 5 and 6 students have started preparing for the Catholic Cup, and the teams are beginning to come together well. Just a friendly reminder that all students must have a sunhat at school for sunny days during Term 4. The House Challenge this term is Jump Jam, which promises to be an exciting way to wrap up the year! The Senior Syndicate looks forward to an exciting and constructive Term 4!

MASS IS AT 9.30AM (UNLESS STATED) AT THE CHURCH ALL WELCOME

Week 2: Wednesday 21 October	Rooms 4 and 7
Week 3: Wednesday 28 October	Rooms 2 and 6
Week 4: Wednesday 4 November	Rooms 11 and 10
Week 5: Wednesday 11 November	Rooms 1, 12 and 14
Week 6: Wednesday 18 November	Rooms 13 and 8
Week 7: Wednesday 25 November	**SENIOR SYNDICATE MASS**
Week 8: Wednesday 2 December	**MIDDLE SYNDICATE MASS**
Week 9: Wednesday 9 December	**JUNIOR SYNDICATE MASS**
Week 10: Tuesday 15 December	**SCHOOL MASS 1.30pm (tbc)**

SCHOOL CALENDAR



October / Whiringa-ā-nuku

Monday, 26th – Labour Day – no school

November / Whiringa-ā- rangi

Wednesday, 11th – Board of Trustees gathering from 5.30pm

Friday, 13th – Secondary Schools visit for Year 6's

Friday, 20th – Catholic Cup at ILT Stadium

December / Hakihea

Wednesday, 2nd – Board of Trustees meeting

Tuesday, 15th – End of Year Mass at 1.30pm

Senior Prize giving – (time tbc)

Wednesday, 16th – Last day. School finishes at 12.30pm

February / Huitanguru

Tuesday, 2nd – School starts back

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU THIS TERM

	Weeks 1,3,5,7,9,11	Weeks 2,4,6,8,10	
Monday	Nachos & chips	Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, peas & gravy	**Sides:** Fruit , carrot sticks, yoghurt, banana cake
Tuesday	Chicken burgers	Sandwiches	
Wednesday	Butter chicken & rice	Lasagne	All tamariki with special diets will be catered for.
Thursday	Sandwiches	Spaghetti buns	
Friday	Pizza	Mince casserole & rice	***Menu could change without prior notice***


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