



From the Principal's Desk....

Welcome back to all the students and parents from all the staff at St Patrick's Bryndwr. We hope that you all enjoyed the holiday break and are as excited about the year ahead as we are. A special welcome to Mr McIntyre in Room 8, Mr Beaton in Room 6 and to all our new students and families.

We hope that the students and their families enjoy the lovely school environment we have here at St Patrick's.

We also extend a special welcome to Father Kevin Wei to the Holy Trinity Parish and School Community. Father Kevin joins us from the Hoon Hay, Halswell Parish. Miss Hibbs and I were very fortunate to meet Father Kevin this week for morning tea at the Presbytry where we learned that he is a very talented cook and a big fan of tennis. Welcome to the team Father Kevin!



Meet the Teacher Evening - Thursday 8th February @ 5pm

Make sure you keep Thursday 8th February at 5:00pm free for our Meet the Teacher Evening. This is an informal meeting to meet the teacher and hear about how the week operates in your child's class.

If you have children in more than one class and you also wish to meet their teacher, you are more than welcome to make a time to meet with them at a time that suits.



Fish'n Chip Evening - Thursday 8th February @ 5:30pm

Make sure you keep Thursday 8th February at 5:30pm free for our Fish'n Chip Evening. This will follow the Meet the Teacher Evening and is a great way to bring our school community together and to welcome new families and children to the school.

Families are invited to bring fish'n chips, or any tea they would like, to school from 5:30pm onwards.



Fair Mufti Day - Thursday 8th February

On Thursday 8th February the students are asked to wear mufti and bring an item to school for the luxury food hampers to be raffled at this year's upcoming School Fair. It would be very much appreciated if you could send along something from the class list below (guideline only).

- Room 1 - Sweet hamper gourmet food items - such as desert sauces, chocolate, scorched almonds, fudge, sweet treats
- Room 2 - Grocery hamper gourmet pantry food items - such as sauces, tea, coffee & hot chocolate, serviettes, oils
- Room 4 - Beverage hamper item - such as craft beer, wine, bubbles, adult cordials, artisan sodas, drinking choc
- Room 5 - Grocery hamper gourmet pantry food items - such as sauces, tea, coffee & hot chocolate, serviettes, oils
- Room 6 - Beverage hamper item - such as craft beer, wine, bubbles, adult cordials, artisan sodas, drinking choc
- Room 7 - Sweet hamper gourmet food items - such as desert sauces, chocolate, scorched almonds, fudge, sweet treats
- Room 8 - Savoury hamper gourmet food items - such as nuts, crackers, fruit paste, chutney, mustard, etc.

Many thanks in advance, your support is greatly appreciated.





### Coffee Morning - Next Friday 9th February

We welcome you to come up to the Staff Room at 9:00am when school starts for coffee and a chat next Friday 9th February. It's a great way to meet other parents, especially if you are new to the school.



Pre-school children are most welcome to come along.

### 2018 School Assemblies

This year our School Assemblies will be held at 11:30am. Room 5 (Year 4/5) will be holding the first Assembly of the year next Friday 9th February.



Fantastic Friday begins in Week 2 this term!

### Morning Drop Offs

A reminder that students are asked not to arrive before 8:15am.



If you do need to drop your children off before 8:15am due to work commitments they are to wait under the trees on the seats until an 8:15am bell rings.

### Important Dates: Term 1, 2018

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| 6th Feb    | Waitangi Day - No School        |
| 8th Feb    | Fair Mufti Day                  |
| 8th Feb    | 9am Opening Mass                |
| 8th Feb    | 5:00pm Meet the Teacher Evening |
| 8th Feb    | 5:30pm Fish'n Chip Evening      |
| 9th Feb    | 11:30am Assembly Room 5         |
| 14th Feb   | 11:30am Ash Wednesday           |
| 15th Feb   | Swimming Sports Year 4 - 8      |
| 22nd Feb   | Fair Mufti Day                  |
| 22nd Feb   | Cycle Safe Year 6               |
| 23rd Feb   | Cycle Safe Year 6               |
| 23rd Feb   | 11:30am Assembly Room 1         |
| 1st Mar    | Small Sticks Hockey             |
| 4th Mar    | Parish, School Mass 9am         |
| 8th Mar    | Small Sticks Hockey             |
| 9th Mar    | 11:30am Assembly Room 2         |
| 12th Mar   | 9am School Mass                 |
| 15th Mar   | Westzone Swimming Sports        |
| 16th Mar   | St Patrick's Day                |
| 18th Mar   | School Fair                     |
| 20th Mar   | Small Sticks Hockey             |
| 22nd Mar   | Small Sticks Hockey             |
| 23rd Mar   | 11:30am Assembly Room 4         |
| 25th Mar   | Palm Sunday                     |
| 28th Mar   | Stations of the Cross           |
| 29th Mar   | Small Sticks Hockey             |
| 30th Mar   | Good Friday                     |
| 2nd Apr    | Easter Monday - No School       |
| 3rd Apr    | Easter Tuesday - No School      |
| 4th Apr    | Student-Led Open Night          |
| 6th Mar    | Canterbury Swimming             |
| 12th April | School Cross Country            |
| 13th Apr   | 11:30am Assembly Room 7         |
| 13th Apr   | Last Day of Term 1              |
| 30th Apr   | First day of Term 2             |

### Guitar/Ukulele Lessons

Guitar/Ukulele Lessons at School - Limited spaces are available.



Contact Andy on 027 214 1821  
 Andrew-marra@hotmail.co.nz



### MARIST ALBION RFC JUNIOR RUGBY 2018 PLAYER REGISTRATION

Online registrations are now open for ALL new and returning junior players for the 2018 season. The registration form is available on our website [www.maristalbion.co.nz](http://www.maristalbion.co.nz) under Junior rugby.

All new players MUST attend one of our registration nights (see dates below) and provide us with proof of identity, copies of passports or birth certificates for verification and get weighed in. This is also a good opportunity to meet the committee and ask them any questions you may have about the upcoming season.

**SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 3-5 pm**  
**MONDAY 26<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 5-7 pm**

Venue: Bowls Papanui, 181 Condell Avenue, Papanui.

**MEMBERSHIP FEES:** (includes a team photo for each registered player)  
 \$80 one player OR  
 \$130 for 2 or more children in the same family.

Further membership enquiries can be directed to:  
 Brendon Feary 021 226 4003, Greg Ford 027 589 9771 or Steve Kinder 027 271 6671