



### From the Principal's Desk....

Two thousand years ago, in the Middle East, an event occurred that permanently changed the world. The resurrection of Jesus, which Easter celebrates, is the foundation of the Christian faith.

Easter is the celebration of Christ's resurrection from the dead. It is celebrated on Sunday, and marks the end of Holy Week, the end of Lent, the last day of the Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday), and is the beginning of the Easter season of the liturgical year. Following Easter Sunday, the season of Easter begins and lasts for seven weeks, ending with Pentecost.



On behalf of all the staff, may I wish you and your family a Happy Easter and if you are going away over the holidays, travel safe on the roads.

We look forward to seeing you all back on Monday 1st May for Term 2.

### St Patrick's School Staff Planning Days

On Tuesday and Wednesday we trialled two planning days for the Senior and Junior teams to prepare exciting units of work for the students in Term 2. This meant that the two days involved both the Senior and Junior students combining and working together on some fun and exciting Easter rotations between classes.

It was a huge success and a great opportunity for the students to work alongside each other and also a lovely way to end the term.

In Term 2 we plan to do the same again and this will coincide with a range of exciting rotations based around Book Week!



### Renumbering of the Classrooms

On Monday the Senior Syndicate completed their room changeover. This decision was made for a number of reasons such as increasing space for the Year 8 students to work in; creating a more collaborative environment for our Year 6, 7 and 8's, ensuring Mr Brown, our DP, Senior Team Leader is more readily available to Staff and has the ability to monitor student behaviour and progress more closely. We also used this opportunity to renumber the classrooms as we were aware that this has caused some confusion in the past.

Your child's year level has now become their classroom room number:

- Year 0 - 1      Room 1
- Year 2            Room 2
- Year 3 - 4        Room 4 (Room 3 will be the Library/Junior Hub)
- Year 5            Room 5
- Year 6            Room 6
- Year 7            Room 7
- Year 8            Room 8





### Year 7 and 8 Leaders Lunch

At the end of each term up to eight lucky students from St Patrick's Year 7 and 8 classes are chosen to attend a Year 7 and 8 Leaders Lunch at Misceo's Cafe. This initiative was started in late 2015 as a way of the school saying thank you to our Year 7 and 8's for the work they do displaying our Mercy Values in and around the school each term.

Congratulations to Rosie Walker, Olivia Morton, TC Lui, Oliver Lawry and Erika Ramirez who were selected to attend the Term 1 Leaders Lunch.

This year we are very lucky to have David Groves from Mike Pero Real Estate sponsoring the Year 7 and 8 Leaders Lunch!



**Proud to sponsor St Patrick's Bryndwr Year 7/8 End of Term Leaders Lunch.**



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### 2017/2018 Entertainment Book

The new 2017/2018 Entertainment Book has arrived. If you would like a book, please email Lucy Sutherland at [lucemark.sutherland@gmail.com](mailto:lucemark.sutherland@gmail.com) or phone 021579003 and she will arrange a book to be sent to you.

If you wish to purchase the digital app go to <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/1341d78>



Many thanks for supporting St Patrick's School.

### Important Dates: Term 2, 2017

14th Apr	Good Friday
1st May	First day of Term 2
4th May	Junior Syndicate, Gym Year 1 - 4
11th May	Catholic Schools Tournament
11th May	Junior Syndicate, Gym Year 1 - 4
12th May	Assembly Room 3
18th May	Junior Syndicate, Gym Year 1 - 4
25th May	Junior Syndicate, Gym Year 1 - 4
26th May	Assembly Room 4
26th May	Winter Sports Begin Year 5 - 8
30th May	BOT Meeting 7pm
5th June	Queens Birthday Weekend
18th June	9am School Mass
28th June	School Interviews
3rd July	Book Week

### Afterschool Care

Afterschool care is based in Room 8 from 3.00pm to 5.30pm, Monday to Friday, for New Entrants to Year 8 students.

You can book a permanent day(s) or, when space allows book casually knowing that your child is safe, nurtured and entertained.

Please contact Fay on – 03 351 9190

