



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

Welcome back to Term 2 everyone. We hope you all enjoyed a well deserved break and managed to spend some time with friends and family over the Easter break and school holidays. It has been great listening to the students holiday stories and hearing about the places they have been.

This Term our Inquiry Unit 'To Infinity and Beyond' is all about 'Space'. If there is anyone in our School Community or Christchurch who can assist in anyway to help make these learning experiences even more meaningful, please let us know.



ANZAC Day was commemorated during the second week of the holidays. Last week all the students were exploring and learning about the ANZACS who died in the war and honouring returned servicemen and women.

Thank you to Mrs McKendry who put together a mini ANZAC Liturgy in the Church for us last Monday.

### St Patrick's School Cross Country 2019

Congratulations to all our students who ran the Cross Country last Wednesday. A big thank you to Mr McIntyre and Mr Beaton for organising another very successful Cross Country.

All of our students and families had a great afternoon in the sunshine down at Elmwood Park. We were very fortunate with the weather and all the students did extremely well. Thank you to all our families who came down to show their support.

It is great to have so much support from the community when we hold events like this.

Good luck to all our Year 4 - 8 students who will be competing in the Westzone Cross Country next Thursday 16th May at Halswell Quarry. We have 31 students who will be running at the Westzone Cross Country. Students will be bused to and from this event with Mr McIntyre and Mr Beaton.



### Coffee Morning - Friday 10th May

We welcome you to come up to the Staff Room at 9:00am when school starts for coffee and a chat this Friday 10th May. 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.





### 'Colour Your Day' Mufti-DAY Fundraiser



Last term on Friday 22nd March we joined schools all across the country to take part in 'Colour Your Day'. Students were asked to bring to school a monetary donation and wear something colourful to show their support for the families and Muslim communities impacted by the tragic events of Friday 15th March.

St Thomas Aquinas School in Winton also took part in the 'Colour Your Day' event, a school Mr Beaton worked at prior to coming to St Patrick's.

Yesterday afternoon Eva Wood, whose grandparents are part of the St Thomas Aquinas Parish went with Mr Beaton and Mr Wallis to deliver \$1200 worth of Prezzie Cards to Burnside Primary School.

Burnside Primary School had a large number of Muslim families directly impacted by the events of last Term.

It is lovely that the students of St Patrick's and St Thomas Aquinas Schools can do their bit to help those families who are still in need.

### Important Dates: Term 2, 2019

3rd May	Gymnastics Year 1 - 4
9th May	Year 5 - 8 Catholic Sports Tournament
10th May	Gymnastics Year 1 - 4
10th May	11:30 Assembly Room 8
10th May	PFA Coffee Morning
13th May	Bullying-Free NZ Week
15th May	Caritas Water Challenge
16th May	West Zone Cross Country
17th May	Gymnastics Year 1 - 4
17th May	Year 5 - 8 Winter Sports Begins
19th May	Parish, School Mass
22nd May	PFA Meeting
23rd May	Year 7 and 8 William Pike Challenge
24th May	Gymnastics Year 1 - 4
24th May	Year 5 - 8 Winter Sports
24th May	11:30 Assembly Room 4
28th May	Catholic Schools Day
28th May	Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm

### Fundraising for 'Charity Water'



Training for the Cross Country took on a new meaning for one of our students in Room 5. Honour Richardson happily admits that she had never run for 30 minutes without stopping and saw that as an opportunity to not only challenge herself, but to also raise some money for some very deserving people.

Honour had made a connection previously with 'Charity Water', a charity that has a dream to bring clean drinking water to the 600 Million people that currently live without it.

In the holidays, Honour completed her mission without stopping and in the process raised an incredible \$4029.00 for Charity Water. Knowing the commitment and dedication that went into this, we all feel very proud of Honour and can take great inspiration from her efforts.

We feel like this may just be the beginning of your charity efforts as your life evolves. You are a wonderful example for us to follow.

Mr B and Room 5 students.

### Pita Pit Year 7 and 8 Camp Fundraiser

Our school community has been offered a great opportunity!

Each time you purchase Pita Pit from the Pita Pit at 501 Wairakei Rd, they will donate 10% of the value of your order to St Patrick's School to help raise funds for the Year 7 & 8 Camp this year.

A special thank you to Andy Christian for organising this for our school.

