



From the Principal's Desk....

As you will be aware, Sunday 15th March is the first anniversary of the Christchurch Mosque attack.

We know that this date has had a significant impact on the lives of many and that it has affected people in different ways. If you need support or have any concerns about your son or daughter, please let your child's teacher know in confidence so we can discuss how best to support them during this time.

The Muslim community and those affected by this tragic event of 2019 will all be in our thoughts and prayers this Sunday, 15th March.



THIS IS YOUR HOME
 AND YOU SHOULD HAVE
 BEEN SAFE HERE

St Patrick's School Fair - Helpers Needed Please!

Thank you to all the many generous families, businesses, supporters and friends of the community who have given up their precious time and energy, sourcing, donating goods, services and vouchers for the School Fair on Sunday 22nd March.

It will be a fabulous day and we look forward to seeing everyone coming along to celebrate what has traditionally been a fantastic community event.

We do require some extra hands setting up on Saturday 21st March and on Sunday 22nd March at the Fair. If you are able to spare 30 minutes to an hour we would love to hear from you. Please just make contact with your child's Classroom Teacher or PFA Class Representative.

We have all our stall holders and lead organisers in place, but we really would love some extra support so that they also get an opportunity to enjoy the School Fair.



St Patrick's School Ambassador Programme

We are very excited to launch our St Patrick's School Ambassador Programme in 2020.

The St Patrick's School Ambassador Programme is about enabling leadership at St Patrick's School. Our Ambassador Programme encourages, supports and scaffolds our Year 7 and 8 students into using and developing their talents and skills for the benefit of the School Community.

The Ambassador Programme provides a Student Council Framework which offers students opportunities to take responsibility and to work collaboratively with the whole School Community for the benefit of the School and its students. Students are encouraged, affirmed, given responsibility and provided with opportunities to experience success in a managed environment.

Our Year 7 and 8 Students are busy applying for Seven different Ambassador Teams which will give us an even coverage of the School and will have a successful impact on all students in our School and the surrounding Community.



**St Patrick's School
 AMBASSADOR
 PROGRAMME**

Called to Shine † Ekea te tihi o Angitū



St Patrick's Day at St Patrick's! - Tuesday 17th March

Next Tuesday 17th March we will be celebrating St Patrick's Day at St Patrick's! It is also our School Feast Day and to celebrate we will be holding a Mass at 9:00am at St Matthews Church. Parents and caregivers are more than welcome to join us.

All students and staff are encouraged to wear green for the day. We want you to be as creative as you can be, so start hunting out your green wigs, socks, blankets and anything green!

At approximately 10:30am we will be having the annual St Patrick's Day Parade out on the court area followed by a surprise waka challenge, sausage sizzle and an ice-block over at Plynlimon Park.

As a last fundraiser for the Fair on Sunday 22nd March, we would love all students in Year 1 - 4 to bring a 'Jolly Jar'. A jolly jar is a jar (plastic or glass, big or small) filled with treats for children. Ideas for fillings include stickers, bouncy balls, marbles, hair ties, pencils, felt pens, lollies, art supplies, mini notepads, craft projects, whistles, party poppers, bubbles etc.

Year 5 - 8 students are asked to bring a box of 'Favourites' chocolates, these will be used as prizes at the Fair. The students in Year 5 - 8 need chocolates for their 'Arcade Alley' that they have been busy working on. The Arcade games they have created and are making look like they will be a big hit at this years Fair.

Once again a big thank you to the PFA who are very kindly organising the sausage sizzle and ice-blocks for the students.



Important Dates: Term 1, 2020

Friday 13th Mar	9:00am Assembly Room 7
Tuesday 17th Mar	St Patrick's Day
Sunday 22nd Mar	School Fair, 11:30am - 3:30pm
Monday 23rd Mar	PAT Testing Week
Thursday 26th Mar	Year 7 - 8 Orana Park Visit
Friday 27th Mar	9:00am Assembly Room 3
Monday 30th Mar	3-Way Interviews, 1.30-6.30pm
Tuesday 31st Mar	3-Way Interviews, 3.30-6.30pm
Tuesday 31st Mar	Year 7 and 8 GRIP Leadership
Thursday 2nd Apr	Canterbury Centrals Swimming
Thursday 9th Apr	9:00am Assembly Room 8
Thursday 9th Apr	Inquiry Celebration
Friday 10th April	Good Friday
Monday 27th April	ANZAC DAY - School Closed
Tuesday 28th April	Term 2 Begins

Student, Parent, Teacher – Three Way Interviews

Student, Parent, Teacher – Three Way Interviews are an opportunity for learning to be discussed between children, their parents and caregivers and teachers.



The aim of these interviews is to celebrate successes and discuss areas for improvement. They involve highlighting student strengths, current achievement and next learning steps.

The dates for Three Way Interviews are:

- Monday 30th March, 1:30pm - 6:30pm
- Tuesday 31st March, 3:30pm - 6:30pm