



From the Principal's Desk....

Kia ora koutou, nei ra te mihi, maioha ki a koutou katoa.
Hello everyone, special greetings to you all.

I am sure there will be some tired people (hopefully not students) around the country today after New Zealand's World Test Championship final win over India. What a fantastic result for the Black Caps! This week we even had a group of senior students outside playing cricket on the tennis courts so you know the impact these role models are having on our students.



It is hard to believe that we are in Week 8, the Term has certainly flown by. We have a busy couple of weeks ahead including Book Week in Week 10 to celebrate the return of the Scholastic Book Fair. A reminder that Term 2 finishes on Friday 9th July with Term 3 beginning on Monday 26th July.

Canterbury Primary Sports Cross Country

Congratulations to those students who took part in the Canterbury Primary Sports Cross Country involving over 1500 competitors at Halswell Quarry yesterday. We had 5 amazing runners head to Halswell Quarry to compete against students from all over the Canterbury region.

Year 8 Boys, Charlie Craddock
Year 7 Girls, Daisy Elkins
Year 7 Girls, Eva Wood
Year 7 Boys, Finn Gibson
Year 7 Boys, Cam Gane
Year 8 Girls, Heidi Molloy



There were up to 200 runners in each race. So our students did extremely well to compete in tough conditions. Both Finn Gibson, 6th Year 7 Boys and Daisy Elkins 18th Year 7 Girls, finished in the top 20 runners in their field.

2021 Mid-Year Progress Reports

On Thursday 8th July your child's 2021 Mid-Year Progress Report will be made available for you to view. This report contains all the information you need to keep you informed of your child's learning progress at school. In 2021 we have moved back to a more 'traditional report' which will be able to be easily downloaded from HERO our student management system.

There are five core areas your child's Progress Report covers. Reading, Writing, Mathematics, Religious Education and the Key Competencies. As well as Progress Graphs for Reading, Writing and Mathematics there are also Achievement Statements explaining where your child is at within their current Curriculum Level. For Religious Education there is a comment on your child's Catholic Special Character and Religious Education and for the Key Competencies at St Patrick's School, a comment on your child's Overall Attitude and Social Skills.



If you would like to learn more about Progress Reporting at St Patrick's, cut and paste the link below.

<https://www.stpatricks.school.nz/about-st-patricks-school/progress-reporting-at-st-patricks/>

If you have not signed into HERO, our student management system for some time then please follow this link to help you log back in - <https://www.linc-ed.com/parents/>

From here you are able to either select the orange button 'Login via a browser' to log into HERO or download the App onto your phone. If you click on forgot password it will send an email to yourself to reset your login. Alternatively, if you need any assistance please contact Selena in the office.



'Book Week' - Scholastic Book Fair in the Parish Hall - Tuesday 6th July to Thursday 8th July

To the Book Fair and beyond! Discover a whole galaxy of books at this years Pop-Up Scholastic Book Fair event in the Parish Hall. As part of the Book Week celebrations at St Patrick's in the final week of Term 2, the PFA is hosting the Scholastic Book Fair over 3 days.

This special event enables our parents and children to purchase quality books at reasonable prices, while helping the school to raise funds for special projects, classroom materials, and library books.

This year the Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the small room at the back of the Parish Hall during the following times:

- Tuesday 6th July, 8:30 - 9:15am and 2:30 - 3:30pm
- Wednesday 7th July, 8:30 - 9:15am and 2:30 - 3:30pm
- Thursday 8th July, 8:30 - 9:15am



'Book Week' Stories and Movies by Candlelight - Wednesday 7th July

As part of Book Week, Rooms 1, 2 and 3 are invited to Stories by Candlelight. This tradition has been happening for a number of years now at St Patrick's with our Junior classes. However, for the first time, and not wanting to miss out the LOC (Leadership Outside the Classroom) Ambassador Team has put together the first 'Movies by Candlelight' theme for Rooms 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8!

When: Wednesday 7th July, 6:00pm – 7:00pm (approximately 8:15pm for seniors)

Where: Rooms 1, 2 and 3 meet in Room 3 for a treat of hot chips before stories in Room 2
 Rooms 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 meet in the learning studio for a treat of hot chips before movies begin

What to wear: Your Pyjamas!

Parents bringing students are invited to meet in Room 1 and enjoy some refreshments and a get together until the stories and movies are finished.

'Book Week' Book/Movie Character Mufti Day and Sausage Sizzle - Wednesday 7th July

We will be having a Book/Movie Character Mufti Day on Wednesday 7th July as part of this exciting week for the students. A Book/Movie Character Parade will be held at 1:45pm so all the students can see each others costumes!

I wonder who Mr Beaton may come dressed as?

As well as a Mufti Day the Year 7 and 8's will be running a \$2.00 sausage sizzle to raise money for their Otago Rail Trial in November.



Important Dates: Term 2, 2021

Friday 25th June - PFA's Secondhand Uniform Shop, 8:15am - 9:00am
 Friday 25th June - School Assembly Room 1, 9:00am

Friday 2nd July - Year 5 - 8 Sports, Offsite at Indoor Bowls
 Friday 2nd July - Rooms 2 and 4, Christchurch Art Gallery

Tuesday 6th July - Scholastic Book Fair Week
 Tuesday 6th July - Board Meeting 7:00pm
 Wednesday 7th July - Book/Movie Character Mufti Day and Sausage Sizzle
 Wednesday 7th July - Stories by Candlelight Rooms 1, 2 and 3, 6:00pm
 Wednesday 7th July - Movies by Candlelight Rooms 4 - 8, 6:00pm
 Thursday 8th July - Reports Available Online
 Friday 9th July - School Assembly Room 8, 9:00am
 Friday 9th July - Year 5 - 8 Sports, Offsite at English Park for Handball
 Friday 9th July - Last Day of Term 2

PFA's Secondhand Uniform Shop

The PFA's secondhand uniform shop will be open this Friday from 8:15am - 9:00am in the Parish Hall ahead of Room 1's assembly.

Pop along to browse items currently in stock.

