



# St. Theresa's Catholic School

Thursday,  
5th May  
2016

*"To live, learn and love with Jesus, being the best we can be."*

Principal's Note

Hello, Kia Ora, Talofa lava, Namaste, Mabuhay, Ciao, Kia Orana, Ahalan, Konnichiwa, Ni hao, Selam, Xin chao, Bonjour, Bula, Dzien/dobry, Nee how, Shalom, Dia duit, Mauri, Halo

Welcome back to Term 2. What amazing weather we continued to enjoy right throughout the holidays. I hope you managed to share some time with your children, families and friends.

We have hit the ground running this term with the whole school training for the much anticipated school Cross Country. The Junior syndicate are off to Te Papa today and I am looking forward to hearing all of their exciting stories.

I was very proud to attend the Porirua ANZAC Day ceremony with many of our school families. Special thank you to **Zara Lyne, Brayden Algar, Alysse Saipani, Lachlan Hannon, Phoebe Harland, Grace Reiher and Madison Masaga-Pita** who carried a wreath for our School and represented us proudly.

We were also well represented by **Grace Reiher and Brayden Algar** at the grand opening of the Bishop Viard College Event Centre on Monday - this is an amazing venue that has been many, many years in the planning. The whole school will be able to enjoy this facility when we meet as a cluster at Bishop Viard College on Monday, 16th May for our Catholic Schools Day celebrations.

Welcome to new entrants **Patrick Reiher**, son of Paul and Tracey and brother of Ben and Joseph and to **Matthew Jones**, son of Nick and Lorraine Jones whose daughters previously attended St. Theresa's. We hope you will be very happy here at our School and that you're enjoying being part of the Room 4 family.

Kia pai tō rā whakatā - atua manaaki

**Donna McDonald** - Principal



**Reminder:** Please pay your child's **sports fees** at the Office or on line. We currently have teams registered for Unihoc as well as Saturday Netball - \$20 and \$25 respectively. Thanks to those who have!

### YouCubed - Tip #4

Never share with your children the idea that you were bad at Maths at school or that you dislike it, especially if you are a mother. Researchers found that as soon as mothers shared that idea with their daughters, their daughter's achievement went down!

Sign of the times? Little girl to friend: I'm never having kids. I heard they take 9 months to download!

*Happy Mother's Day to all the Mums in our school community as well as those women who fulfil this role for others. May God richly bless you.*



### This Sunday's Gospel:

This Sunday is our liturgical celebration of the Ascension of the Lord, when Jesus was taken to Heaven on the 40th day after Easter. Those who believe in Jesus will be empowered to do what Jesus Himself has done. Jesus helped His disciples and He continues to help us as we try to live as His followers.

Catholic Character

### Carnival 2016 Raffle Results:

1st Prize: #0706, 2nd Prize: #3548, 3rd Prize #1247, 4th Prize #2601, 5th Prize #2623

Hearty congratulations to all the winners and a HUGE thanks to everyone who bought and sold tickets. Better luck next time for the rest of us!

Raffle

**Board of Trustees Elections:** Nominations are invited for the election of 3 (three) parent representatives to the Board of Trustees. A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations has been posted to all eligible voters. You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate or you can nominate yourself (make sure you sign both parts of the form). Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

Nominations close at noon on Friday, 20th May, 2016 and may be accompanied by a signed candidate's statement. The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours. There will also be a list of candidates' names as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

Voting closes at noon on Friday, 3rd June, 2016.



# Sparks of God - Term 1, Week 11



**Back:** Anton Bain, Lucy Bain, Aiffili Patelexio, Azizah Ikaako, Daniel Owen  
**Front:** Lachlan Baker, Georgia Carter, Rose Franklin, Matthew Dodds, James Tohill, Mia Zvirzginas

## Uniform Fittings in Term 2:

20th May/10th June/1st July

These are all Fridays and appointments are from 2 - 3.20p.m. in 10 minute slots. Please call Gina if you need to book one!

## Random bits and pieces!

- ◇ **Entertainment books** on sale from the Office. Only \$60 each - so worthwhile!
- ◇ 3 bags of **Mojo coffee beans** for sale at only \$10 each.
- ◇ **Book Club Orders** - Please have these in by Monday, 16th May.
- ◇ **Carnival items:** There are some items that were either loaned or left here on the day. If you are missing anything, please have a look in the Staffroom.
- ◇ **2nd hand uniform** available to buy or sell through our Facebook page. Many bargains to be had.
- ◇ Please check the **Community Noticeboard** on our website for local happenings like sport, tuition, clubs, etc.

## Some requests from Room 10:

On Friday, 6th May, the Year 6 students will be holding a Bake Sale at lunchtime. This fundraising is to help the Syrian refugees who are settling into Porirua. They are a family of 6 who need a helping hand. If your child would like to buy a cupcake, sweets or a bag of popcorn (everything between 50c and \$1), please send along some coins for them to spend. The items will be sold on a first come first served basis and the proceeds will go towards buying hot water bottles for the winter. We are also collecting warm blankets and cans of vegetables and fruit. All donations are greatly appreciated and should be dropped directly to Room 10. Thank you for your generosity.



And.....



There are children in Room 10 who would love to learn how to knit. We are keen to knit a Peggy Square and then stitch them together to make a blanket. We need help!!! Mrs MacLean can't knit but is very keen to learn! We also need wool and knitting needles for our squares. If you are able to help us at Discovery Time from Week 3 onwards, please let Mrs MacLean know. [pauline-maclean@st-theresas.school.nz](mailto:pauline-maclean@st-theresas.school.nz) or visit Room 10. Thanks in advance!

The Young Vinnies planted a herb garden outside the Learning Hub for all parents, staff and students to pick from. We got advice from Eloise at Palmers on what to plant this season and our garden is flourishing. With the help of a parent, Angela Brown, we planted mint, coriander, basil, chives, lettuce, spinach, lemon verbena, a passion fruit, Cat nip for the cats and an artichoke for Ms. Rollandi! We believe that in the Vinnies spirit, if we all plant a crop and share, there will be plenty of food for everyone. Could you plant a crop and share with others?



Reporters: Zara, Scarlet, Tea and Amy

## Class of the Week - Room 7

In Room 7 we have been looking at the 7 Norms for Maths. We are learning how these can help all of us to be fantastic at Maths.

We have started to train for the school Cross Country. We have set goals and are working towards these.

Come and check out our Assembly on Friday - it will be awesome!

Happy Mother's day to all of those special 'Mums' out there.



Reporters: All of Room 7



## Chess Club Chess Club Chess Club Chess Club Chess Club

The Chess Club is going to enter a competition. If your child is interested in participating, please contact Ross Lynch by next Friday, 13th May at the latest. The competition is on 27th May from 9a.m. to 2.15p.m. at Newlands Intermediate. Please contact Ross for more information: [ross@telesmart.co.nz](mailto:ross@telesmart.co.nz)



Vinnies' Garden update