



St. Theresa's Catholic School

Thursday,
12th 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

Kia pai tō rā whakatā - atua manaaki

What an exciting 2 weeks we have had already. The children have all been working hard in and around the school and we are all very enthusiastic about our Mystery Bus Trip on Friday.

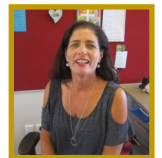
This week we welcomed back Mark, Courtney and John Tyrell. We are so pleased to see them return to Wellington and I am sure they will settle back into life at St. Theresa's very quickly.

On Monday we join the other local Catholic Schools to celebrate Catholic School Day at Bishop Viard College. This is the first time all 4 schools, St Pius X, St Francis Xavier, Holy Family and St. Theresa's have been together to celebrate and it is extra special as we are being hosted by Bishop Viard College. We will be travelling by bus to and from school and the children will need to wear their PE uniforms and sports shoes. We will begin the day with a Liturgy in the BVC Hall and then spend the morning participating in activities before eating our lunch together and returning to school. You are all very welcome to join us for any part of the day.

Just a gentle reminder that the winter uniform needs to be worn in Terms 2 and 3. The grace period ends at the end of the week however, if you have any major issues please let us know. Also, children need to be wearing their full school uniform to and from school everyday - this includes school shoes.

All children in Years 3 – 6 have the opportunity to sit the ICAS examinations this year. These are international examinations that cover Writing and Mathematics. If your child would like to participate, please talk to their class teacher or contact Deborah Norris.

Notes for your diaries: We have set a date for our parent consultation evening on Growth Mindsets and SOLO Taxonomy. You will have heard your children talking about this at home I am sure and we would like to share some information with you around what this looks like in practice. Please come along on Tuesday, 24 May from 6.30pm - 7.30pm and enjoy an interactive workshop run by staff and students. We will provide childcare in the Learning Hub.



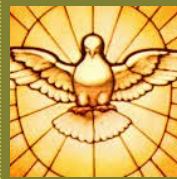
Donna McDonald - Principal

YouCubed - Tip #4 Encourage number sense. What separates high and low achievers is number sense - having an idea of the size of numbers and being able to separate and combine numbers flexibly. For example, when working out $29 + 56$, if you take one from the 56 and make it $30 + 55$, it is much easier to work out. The flexibility to work with numbers in this way is what is called number sense and it is very important.



This Sunday's Gospel:

This Sunday is the feast of Pentecost. We celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. This reconciling presence is to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people.



Catholic Character

Catholic Schools Day - Monday, 16th May

All our students will be joining other local Catholic schools at Bishop Viard College. On Catholic Schools Day we celebrate our special character and the things that we treasure about belonging to a Catholic School community.

Children need to wear PE uniform and sports shoes.



MYSTERY BUS TRIP TOMORROW!

Children are to wear their PE gear to school and bring their morning tea, lunch, a drink and a warm jacket.

Let the fun begin!



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. 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 Fri., 3rd June, 2016.

Please check the 'Community Noticeboard' on our website - there are many notices pertaining to local activities.

Sparks of God - Term 2, Week 1



Back: Amokura Royal, Celine Ngan, Laina Sola, Benji Barber

Front: Tommy Carter, Asha Stewart, Samuel Beuerlein, Harry Ringrose, Emma Haywood, Patrick Reiher

Info you don't want to miss!

- ◆ **Entertainment books on sale from the Office. Only \$60 each.**
- ◆ **Book Club Orders - Please have these in by Monday, 16th May.**
- ◆ **Samosa order forms were sent home last week - make sure you get yours in before the cut-off date!**
- ◆ **Uniform fittings in Term 2: 20th May/10th June/1st July**
- ◆ **Lost Property: Jena Taylor's named jersey is missing. PLEASE check to see if your child mistakenly has it.**
- ◆ **Chess Club competition: If your child is interested, please contact Ross Lynch (ross@telesmart.co.nz) by TOMORROW!**
- ◆ **Picket order forms will be sent out next week.**
- ◆ **Pizza Fridays start next week - Year 6 Camp fundraising and a day off from making school lunches!**

Netball Results:

St T's Angels beat Paremata Pulse 30-0

PoD: **Brayden Algar**

Congratulations, Brayden and well done to all the players who participated.

Unihoc Results:

St. T's Thunderbirds won 1 - 0

PoD: **Charlie Dale-Low**

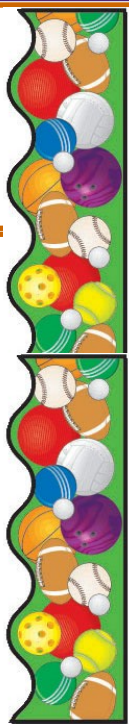
Fair Play Award: **Lila Ablett**

St. T's Saints drew nil all.

PoD: **Kieran Dunlop-Brown** for his great out field and in goal playing.

Fair Play Award: **Florence Locke-Fearon** for subbing off for the Coach and helping him with Andre's signing.

What a great effort everyone!



This week is **NZ Sign Language Week.**

Why not make a point of signing 'Good Morning' to everyone you meet? The whole of St. T's knows how to sign it, so ask your child to teach you too!

Deaf Aotearoa has produced a webseries of 7, one-minute videos to celebrate NZSL Week 2016. The series, "My Life in Sign", features 'Sign Boy', played by Destyn, the face of NZSL Week. Sign Boy shows the advantages of communicating in New Zealand Sign Language when verbal communication is problematic. Sign Boy is accompanied by his trusty, bumbling sidekick, 'Just Learning to Sign Man'.

A new episode is released at 7.30 each morning during NZSL Week 2016 (May 9-15), so make sure you check it out.

ICAS Assessments: Tomorrow (Friday, 12th May) is the last day for entries and payment - by the end of the school day. **No late entries will be accepted.**

Thank you to everyone for their contributions to the Refugees and the Cake Sale. We made \$110 which will go towards hot water bottles and seedlings.



Thank you!