



"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, Dzień/dobry, Nee how, Shalom, Dia duit, Mauri, Halo

Kia pai tō rā whakatā - atua manaaki

The end of Week 3 already and Term 2 is racing away as quickly as Tem 1 did. The children are all very focused on their learning and have already participated in a huge range of learning experiences. We have received our Draft Education Review Office external evaluation and this looks very positive. The final version of this will be made available on the website at the beginning of June.

Last Sunday we celebrated the Feast of Pentecost. This is a significant celebration in the Church and reminds us that the powerful love of God is alive and active in our lives through the presence of His Spirit.

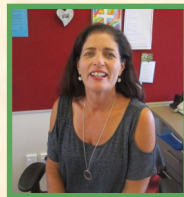
The whole School enjoyed celebrating Catholic Schools Day on Monday at Bishop Viard College, with our neighbouring Catholic schools. The children showed courtesy and respect to everyone they encountered and worked well in mixed teams with the other schools. They were a credit to you and St Theresa's.

Nominations for Board of Trustees, Parent Representatives, close at midday on Friday. At this stage we are going to require an election which is scheduled for 3 June. More information will be made available after Friday.

Please keep Tuesday, 24 May 6.30pm - 7.30pm free for our Parent Information evening on Growth Mindsets at school. Childcare will be available but you do need to let Gina know if you are taking up this opportunity so we can ensure we have enough people on board.

Lastly, Deborah Norris and I were very proud to receive the New Zealand Sign Language Award in Schools 2016, on behalf of St. Theresa's Catholic School. We were up against 6 other nominations! The award is a tribute to all the effort the whole community has shown to inclusive education.

Donna McDonald
Principal



Growth Mindsets and SOLO Taxonomy Parent Information Evening Tuesday, 24th May 6.30 - 7.30pm.

This is a fabulous opportunity to gain an insight into what your children are learning about in school. All of the teaching staff and several senior students will be involved in facilitating an interactive, fun and informative evening. We will have childcare available in the Learning Hub. Please RSVP to Gina in the Office. Don't miss this great evening!



This Sunday's Gospel:

This Sunday, on the first Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This feast invites us to consider what we believe about God, who has revealed himself to us in the Trinity - one God in three persons. Just like the disciples of Jesus, we cannot know the future. We can only know that, whatever shape the future takes, like the disciples we will not have to face it alone.



Catholic Character

Board of Trustees - Community Consultation

On 1 July 2014 the Vulnerable Children Act and other associated legislation passed into law. The Act forms a significant part of comprehensive measures to protect and improve the wellbeing of vulnerable children and strengthen the country's child protection system. In line with this new legislation, the Board has produced a draft Child Protection Policy and it is now being made available to the school community for a two-week period of consultation. The proposed policy wording is available on our website under Board of Trustees/Policies Under Review. If you would like to propose any changes or have any comments on this draft policy, please forward these in writing in the Board Chair, Michelle Barber on michelle@dwre.co.nz or via the school office before 3pm on Friday 3 June.

3 - Way Parent Interviews

will take place on 27th and 28th June. Closer to the time, the event code will be available for online booking of appointments. Teachers are currently working on mid year reports and these will be sent home with the Yr 2 - 6 children on Thursday, 23rd June.



Netball Results:

St Ts Angels won 14 - 8

PoD: Laina Sola

St. T's Stars

PoD: Jena Taylor and for last week, Lachlan Hannon

Unihoc Results:

No games this week!

SAVE THE DATE!

Year 6 Camp Fundraising Initiative: 'Finding Dory' movie on Sunday, 26th June at 5p.m. at the Lighthouse Pauatahanui. More details to follow closer to the time.

Please take note of these:

- ◇ Entertainment books on sale from the Office. Only \$60 each.
- ◇ Uniform fittings TOMORROW - call Gina if you need an appointment.
- ◇ Picket orders are being accepted. Get yours in soon!
- ◇ Pizza Fridays are happening this term. Please read the new instructions around ordering.



Board of Trustees Elections Nominations close at noon tomorrow, 20th May, 2016.

REMIX : The next gathering for the young people in our **Sacramental Programme** and up to year 7 students, is next Friday, 27th May from 7p.m. till 8.30p.m. Come along for some fun, friendship and be ready for some 'Mystery Food' games! Please bring an item for the Saint Vincent de Paul Food Bank as the theme is 'Feeding the Hungry'. If you have any questions, please contact Anne Dodds on 239-9543.

YouCubed - Tip #6

Encourage a 'growth mindset'. This lets students know that they have unlimited maths potential and that being good at maths is all about working hard. When children have a growth mindset, they do well with challenges and do better in school overall. When children have a fixed mindset and they encounter difficult work, they often conclude that they are not 'a math person'. One way in which parents encourage a fixed mindset is by telling their children they are 'smart' when they do something well. That seems like a nice thing to do but it sets children up for difficulties later because when kids fail at something, they will inevitably conclude that they aren't smart after all. Instead, use growth praise such as 'it is great that you have learned that', 'I really like your thinking about that'. When they tell you something is hard for them or they have made a mistake, tell them, 'That's wonderful! Your brain is growing!'



Did you know???????????????

Wellington is the southernmost capital city in the world, the giant weta is the heaviest insect in the world, Baldwin Street in Dunedin is the steepest street in the world and the only land mammals native to NZ are bats.

Class of the Week - Room 10

Last Friday we went on the Mystery School Bus Trip. We saw where Awarua and Rereroa lived long ago. We made Awarua's larder at Pataka and saw the magnificent Bottle Ocean exhibition there. After visiting the whaling station overlooking Mana Island we went down to Titahi Bay to do a Beach Clean up and to look at the carvings of the first people to this area; Kupe, Abel Tasman, Captain Cook and Te Rangihaeata. It was an awesome day.



Reporter:
Phoebe Harland

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School donation/referral voucher:

ASB will continue to support us by **donating \$500** for every loan over \$150,000 that is made directly to ASB where the borrower refers to the referral offer. Please note that to be eligible the loan must be applied for through a Branch, Contact Centre or Mobile Lending Manager.

School Banking: Children who deposit a \$1 or more into their accounts between now and 10.07.16 will enter a draw each fortnight to **win a cash prize** of \$10, \$20 or \$50 to be credited to their Headstart account so make sure they deposit once every fortnight to enter all five draws.

