



St. Theresa's Catholic School

Thursday,
18th August
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, Bom dia.

What a fantastic day for our Term 3 Powhiri and Mass of Welcome. Thank you to Fr. Maurice for helping us celebrate this lovely occasion and to all the staff, children and our community for making our new families and new staff member feel so welcome. The children fill us with pride as they fulfil their roles with such passion, enthusiasm and confidence.

We welcome **Nove Ah Kuoi** and his parents Fred and Eirenei. Nove has joined the children in Room 4. We wish you many happy years at St. Theresa's and hope that you soon feel part of our community.

Health and Safety: As you may be aware with the hard frosts we experienced last week, we have identified some potentially high risk areas around the school. The Board and Staff are currently doing a complete audit and review of safety procedures, etc. and these areas will be isolated and appropriate measures put in place. Please remember that children cannot be left at school before 8.20a.m. or after 3p.m. as teachers are not actively on duty at these times. There is an After School Care facility available that is run independently from the school so if you require this service, please contact Nadine Hodge (021-1871648).



Playground: There has been a lot of discussion around the 'Biggie' and the 'Little'. Just to clarify - at present only children 7 years of age and over, can play on the 'Biggie' and only those children under 7 can play on the 'Little'. This is currently being reviewed and an update will be coming out shortly.

Very soon we will be calling for tenders for the painting of the exterior of the school buildings. If you would like to express your interest, please contact me to discuss what would be required.

Enjoy this lovely sunshine and the weekend which is nearly here!



Kia pai tō rā whakatā - atua manaaki

Donna McDonald - Principal

This Sunday's Gospel:

**21st Sunday
in Ordinary Time**



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus teaches us that we may run into obstacles trying to reach our ultimate goal of eternal life in Heaven. We are all invited to share eternal life with God forever in Heaven but Jesus is warning us that we cannot take that invitation for granted. We need to pay attention, to stay focused and to take advantage of the opportunities we have to grow closer to our Lord.

Mathematics Curriculum Sharing Evening

Please come along to school on Thursday, **25th August from 6pm - 7pm** for an interactive, fun and informative evening of Maths. The staff have designed an evening that will allow you to investigate and ask questions about the way Maths is taught in school. We will have the Learning Hub open for any children who need supervision.



Please RSVP to Gina in the Office to confirm that you will be attending and/or bringing children.

PLEASE MARK THIS IN YOUR DIARY

Monday, 12th September - Paid Union meeting for teachers

Most of our teachers will be out of school at a compulsory paid Union meeting from 1p.m. We will NOT be closing the school and will have some staff available to supervise the children who cannot be picked up at lunchtime. We will be putting out a one line survey so we can establish how many children will still be here after lunch until the end of the school day.



THANKSGIVING MASS FOR THE CANONISATION OF BLESSED TERESA OF CALCUTTA. Saturday, 10th September at 9a.m. at the Sacred Heart Cathedral, Wellington.

YEAR OF MERCY- PILGRIMAGE PILGRIMAGE TO SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL, THORDON THIS SUNDAY 21/8/16. Train leaving at 2p.m. from Plimmerton Railway Station. If you're taking your own car there is limited parking behind the Catholic Centre or Sacred Heart Cathedral School. Walking through the Cathedral doors starts at 3p.m. and we will be there until 5p.m.



CLASS OF THE WEEK - ROOM 1

Our class is a terrific place to learn....

- R**eady to stretch our brains each day
- O**ften challenged but we persevere
- O**ne teacher, 23 children
- M**ake the most of every day
- O**pen our door and you will see smiles
- N**ever see a need without doing something about it
- E**veryone loves Room 1!

We are a classroom of children who show our school values all the time. We are always trying to be the best that we can be!



ArtSplash - for children in the **CHOIR**
Wednesday, 31st August at 5.15p.m.
Your child will have been given a notice outlining EVERYTHING you need to know! 3 tickets per family

DanceSplash - for children in **Years 5 & 6**
Friday, 2nd September at 7.45p.m.

2 tickets per family

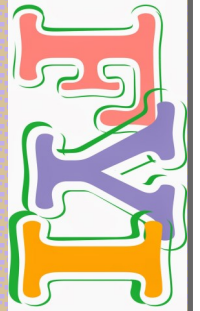
Tickets available from our Office and there will also be door sales at each performance.

Uniform fittings on site:

Friday, 26th August in the STAFFROOM

Community Connection:

There are plenty of activities on offer - check it out on our school website under 'For parents'.



Sparks of God Term 3, Week 3



Back: Maddison Maclean, Alysse Saipani, William Haywood, Connor Savea, Aifili Patelesio
Front: Seb Richards, Georgia Carter, James Tohill, Joshua Cousins, William Snaddon

Unihoc Results:

Legends lost 0 - 2 PoD Russell Ngan

Best Effort Alfie Croasdale

Rockets drew nil all. PoD James Tohill

Tigers won 1 - 0 PoD Daniel Lovett

Stars drew nil all. Nail biting at times and some great saves by the goalies! PoD Euan Watkins and Best Effort Riley Hockings

Falcons won 3 - 0 PoD Rauri Meo

Thanks to the coaches, managers, supporters and the players too, of course!

Disco - Friday, 9th September

Junior Disco: Yrs 0 - 3 (Rms 1, 2, 3, 4 & 8)
5p.m. - 6.30p.m.

Senior Disco: Yrs 4 - 6 (Rms 6, 7, 9 & 10)
7p.m. - 8.30p.m.

\$6 entry fee gets you something to eat, a drink and a glowstick. More goodies to purchase on the night.

A Disco notice and reply slip will be sent home next week.

The theme for this year's Disco is 'The Olympics' so feel free to let the kids don their sports gear - or not!



Summer School Uniform: Term 4 is not far off so make an appointment with Gina if you need your child to be fitted for any particular items. To save yourself money, please also remember to buy **the correct sandals** the first time around. Examples on the website.



????? Poor people have it. Rich people need it. If you eat it, you die. What is it? ??????

ANSWER TO ?????? NOTHING!