



# St. Theresa's Catholic School

Thursday,  
24th Nov.  
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, Gidday, Malo ni

This week we all feel a bit like Incy Wincy Spider, welcoming the sun to dry up all the rain! I would like to thank you all for the sensible, calm way that as parents, you handled this natural disaster. The children have settled back into school life and are preparing themselves for the end of year activities ahead.

We are very proud of our Year 6 Kaitiaki, **Brayden Algar**, **Azizah Isaako** and **Leah Curran** who presented to an audience at the opening of Tiakina Nga Taonga in Porirua. The Year 6s will be visiting the art exhibition designed to increase awareness of our precious taonga, Te Awarua o Porirua.

**Health and Safety:** Please remind all children that when crossing the road before and after school, to be mindful of cars reversing out of parking spots. Often drivers cannot see children and we have recently had reports of children running behind cars.

### Confirmed staffing for 2017:

Ms. Deborah Norris and Mrs. Shona Hockings	Room 4	New Entrants
Mrs. Joanna Beasley	Room 3	New Entrants
Miss Deana Collis	Room 2	Year 1/2
Mrs. Cheryl Kidd	Room 1	Year 2/3
Ms. Deborah Neave	Room 8	Year 2/3
Mr. Arnie Pham	Room 6	Year 4/5
Mrs. Angela Cole	Room 7	Year 4/5
Mrs. Trish Fitzsimons	Room 9	Year 5/6
Mrs. Pauline MacLean	Room 10	Year 5/6

Kia pai tō rā whakatā - atua manaaki **Donna McDonald** - Principal



## Whanau Day - Friday, 9th December

You are ALL invited to this celebration!

- 10.30a.m. The Staff thank you all with a morning tea in the Staffroom
- 11.15a.m. Cultural entertainment outside Room 8 (In the Church if wet)
- 12.30p.m. Shared cultural lunch in the foyer of the Church
- 1.15p.m. Final Assembly in the Church

Some things to remember:

- ◆ Times are approximate (except morning tea!)
- ◆ Children are to wear school uniform
- ◆ Children are to bring a gold coin - money raised is going to MISSIONZ
- ◆ Please bring a plate of food from your culture to share



## This Sunday's Gospel:

### 1st Sunday in Advent

*In the Gospel Jesus tells us we need to pay attention and prepare ourselves for the day of the Lord. We do this through our prayer and our faithfulness to the commandments and to Jesus' teaching. God requires us to pay close attention in order to hear the ways he is calling us.*



## POOL KEYS ON SALE NOW!

Keys cost \$100 for the whole season/\$10 bond refund upon return of keys/Payment by Internet, Eftpos at the Office, cash or cheque/Sign Agreement form/Collect key from the Office.



## REMIX

Due to the flooding at Church, there will be no REMIX this month. Plans are to organise a pool/pizza evening in December. Details to follow!

## LEARNING HUB IMPORTANT INFORMATION

from Sarah Hunt, our Librarian

**Stocktake** - The Learning Hub will be closed for the annual stocktake in Week 8. It will still be open for any books to be returned at any time. Now is a good time to search and locate any school library books hiding at home, especially if you are currently receiving overdue emails! All books outstanding in Week 9 will have an account sent home!



**Summer Reading Programme** - Information and permission slips are coming home today. Fill in and sign the permission slip if you want books for summer. Reading is vital to avoid a reading slump over the holidays so sign up today! No signed slip, no books!

*Sign up deadline: Friday, 2nd Dec. - Books issued in Week 9.*

### **Learning Hub Summer Photo Competition**

**Yes, it's back!** 2016 saw amazing entries. Get your cameras ready and remember to take photos of all the places you are found reading this summer. Pick your favourite shot and bring it to school next year in Term 1. Get imaginative and creative with your entries. Prizes for the top 3 winners (Junior and Senior categories).



**Uniform fittings - Friday, 2nd December for this year. Call Gina if you want to make an appointment.**

Everyone hard at work in Room 4!



### **WEETBIX TRYATHLON**

**Sunday, 19th March**

There is still time to register!

#### **Miniball results for this week:**

HAWKS: Won 22 - 16

PoD: **Jospeh Reiher**

SAINTS: Lost 3 - 6

PoD: **Adam Murphy**

Best Effort: **Riley Hockings**



**Your last chance for fittings on site**

### **Class of the Week - Room2**

**We have had a busy week in room 2. This week, we worked hard to complete some cool silly cities ready for our buddy mass with room 9. We tried our best to make the craziest buildings we could. Come and check it out!**



**Carnival 2017**  
**Saturday,**  
**25th March**



**We still desperately need co-ordinators for Games and the White Elephant stall. PLEASE consider it and let Michelle Cook know.**