



St. Theresa's Catholic School

Thursday,
30th March
2017

"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, Bom dia, Giddyay, Malo ni

What a fantastic day we had on Saturday! Not only were we able to raise money to support our children's learning environment, we also took this opportunity to come together as a community. It was so heartening to see so many past pupils and families here and so many of them were helping out on the day. This is a true reflection of the sense of community that has been nurtured and developed over many years, which we strive to continue to protect and grow. Again our thanks go to the wonderful Carnival committee and their team of helpers for ensuring another smooth Carnival both with the lead up, on the day and the clean up at the end. As they say, 'many hands make light work' so everybody's contribution is essential and was gratefully received.



Look out for an invitation next term, to meet with the Carnival committee over a drink and nibbles to talk about ideas for next year and how you can be part of this amazing team.

Eathquake/Tsunami awareness - As you will be aware, we have had a large number of small shakes in the last 6 months. We are in a tsunami zone so need to have a clear plan for what to do if we experience a tsunami type shake. The staff and children regularly practice our procedures at school and as part of our Civil Defence awareness and in line with our Health & Safety procedures, we have scheduled a reunification drill for Thursday, 13th April. The whole school will relocate to Mo Street, Plimmerton and children will need to be picked up from there between 1.15p.m. and 2p.m. We intend this drill to be as realistic as possible so require your support to review and refine our procedures. A detailed letter will come out separately with information about pick up, etc.

The Catholic Character children, Mrs. Cole and I will be running the Stations of the Cross tomorrow at 7p.m. in the Church and we encourage you all to join us. We also ask that you continue to keep Fr. Maurice in your prayers as he recuperates.

The next two weeks are very busy with trips and activities planned in and around school, so please keep checking the Community Calendar to keep up to date with our comings and goings.

Have a wonderful restful weekend. Whai i te wiki nui.

Donna McDonald - Principal



It really is her!

Pool keys need to be in by **TOMORROW** please. No bond refund for late returns.



A day off from making school lunches! - sweet as!

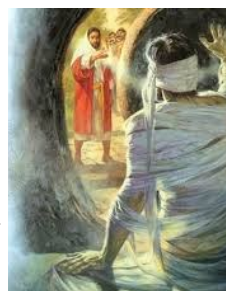
Tomorrow we will be selling American hotdogs and sausages and bread at lunchtime. **ONLY \$1. Everybody wins!**



This Sunday's Gospel:

5th Sunday in Lent

When Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, He showed His power over death. We believe that by Jesus' death and Resurrection, He conquered death and won eternal life for us. Our faith tells us that those who are like Martha and Mary - people who believe that Jesus is the Resurrection and the life - will find eternal life.



Carnival Wrap Up / Carnival Wrap Up / Carnival Wrap Up

We really need your help to wrap this up! Following all the hard work of so many people in the lead up and on the day, there are a few items that need tidying up.

Raffle tickets: PLEASE sell all your tickets and there are more books if you're keen. We want to get as much revenue as we can from these. All butts (preferably with money!) need to be back next week. The raffle will be drawn on Friday.

Silent Auction: There is still a chance for you to make a bid on these fab items. See the list attached to our email. Just let Gina know if you can't come in yourself and she will place a bid for you. Easy peasy!

IOUs: Please send along your money if you still owe for any Carnival purchases.

Expenses: If you have expenses to be claimed, please get these authorised by the stall co-ordinator and in to the Office as soon as possible.



SPARKS OF GOD - Week 7



Back: **Kezia Franklin, Grace Mzila, Aiden Harrison, Vinnie Barber**
 Front: **Thomas Savea, Izzy Heberley, Isaac Gilmour, Samuel Beuerlein, Isabella Ringrose, Sophia Todd**

Uniform fittings: Last chance this term for on site fitting or ordering. Friday, 7th April. Call Gina for an appointment. Winter uniform is worn in Terms 3 & 4 so make sure you're ready!

MOVE IT - Friday, 7th April at 11a.m.

This year, the Catholic Character leaders have decided to do the Caritas Challenge 'Move It'. **This challenge focuses on understanding how lack of access contributes to poverty.** It highlights the plight of people who have to travel long distances to access basic needs like water, food, safety, health and education. We are going for a long walk and then returning to school to have rice for lunch. This will be 'bought' by children for a gold coin. Money raised will go to helping those countries in the Pacific who are affected by climate change. If you are able to help by either cooking rice for us at school (in rice cookers) or parent helping on our walk, please let your child's teacher know.



Soccer & Flag Football Results

Thunderbirds lost 1 - 2.
 PoD: **Kahukuranui Johnson-Bates.**
 Fair Play Award: **Flynn Croasdale**

Lazers drew nil all. PoD: **Harlan Baker**

Stars drew nil all. PoD: **Charlotte Harrison**

Congratulations to Liam Dunlop-Brown!

At the Wellington Champs Athletics this week, he won the 10 year old boys 1.2km race walk in 7m 06s, breaking the record by 20 seconds.



Room 8 Rocks! This week, Rm 8 has taken part in a NZ school wide focus, 'Get NZ Writing'. Our task was to learn about Figurative Writing, in particular the use of metaphor. We wrote postcards to a school in Hamilton. Here is some of our wonderful, metaphor writing.

- Theo** is a Lamborghini with speedy ideas.
- Jakson** is a wolf. He likes hunting for things in his house.
- Isabella** is a baseball, scoring goals when she is focused.
- Mia Zvirzdinas** is a tennis racket that is always hitting new ideas.
- Lina Ramm** is a cupcake; sweet inside and out.



Senior Swimming Sports Results

Congratulations to all of the children who participated so enthusiastically last Thursday. Thanks to those who were able to transport and marshal at the event. We really appreciate your help.

Year 5 Girls
 1st: **Amokura Royal**
 2nd: **Liana Saipani**
 3rd: **Nina Stevenson**

Year 5 Boys
 1st: **Victor Ablett**
 2nd: **Tyler Duncan**
 3rd: **Daniel Lovett**

Year 6 Girls
 1st: **Celine Ngan**
 2nd: **Danielle Hockings**
 3rd: **Belle Croasdale**

Year 6 Boys
 1st: **Joe Reiher**
 2nd: **Liam Dunlop-Brown**
 3rd: **William Baker**

Overall House Points: Chanel House Relay: Redwood

Congratulations to the following children who placed at the Parumoana Interschool Athletics Competition on Monday. St Theresa's finished 5th out of 10 schools. This is a fantastic result considering we do not have Year 7 & 8 children at our school. Thanks to David and Kim for transporting.

- Jade McLaughlin:** Year 5 Girls - 3rd 1000m
- Celine Ngan:** Year 6 Girls - 3rd High Jump
- Leo Hutchins:** Year 5 Boys - 2nd High Jump
- Richard Jones:** Year 5 Boys - 2nd 80m
- Rauri Meo:** Year 6 Boys - 2nd 150m, 3rd 80m
- Courtney Tyrell:** Year 5 Girls - 1st Quoits, 1st 150m, 1st 80m, 1st High Jump, 3rd Long Jump
- Richard Jones, Cooper Mallon, Leo Hutchins, Rauri Meo:** - 1st Year 5&6 Boys relay.



Calling all indoor cricket players!

The World Series 6-a-side cricket is run at the Hutt Indoor Sports Centre during Terms 2 and 3. It's a fantastic way to improve cricket skills over the winter. Games are played on Saturday afternoons so can fit in with morning sport. If your Year 5 or 6 child is interested then please contact Syd Duflou on syd.duflou@nzrugby.co.nz for more info.

