



*"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, Shalom, Dia duit, Mauri, Halo, Bom dia, Gidday, Malo ni

*What an amazing 2 nights we have had bringing 'Sina's Journey' to life. Thank you again to the whole community for helping support our children to access 'learning through the Arts'. The show had an authentic connection to real world issues our children are facing within our local community and across the world. Production is a valuable opportunity for our children to shine, test their resilience, share their views and perhaps step out of their comfort zone. We were very fortunate to have the performance videoed by Craig Bain and these DVDs are available to purchase. The staff and children have shared some photos today and are all looking forward to viewing the DVD when it is finished.*

*Last weekend I was privileged to attend the Synod weekend at the Cathedral in Wellington, along with many representatives from St. Theresa's Parish and several hundred others from across the Archdiocese of Wellington. Topics discussed included supporting the peripheries of society, growing leaders, deepening our bi-culturalism, refugees and migrants and care for creation. This was an opportunity for discernment, which requires listening to one another and being open to learning.*

*As we race towards the end of Term 3, we still have a busy calendar with our staff vs students netball game tomorrow, our Bring and Buy Day next week and the NZSL documentary premiere on Wednesday, to name a few. Please keep an eye on notices and the calendar so you are up to date.*

*Wishing you all a happy and safe weekend.*

*He hari, he pai te wiki. Whakapai te Atua*

*Donna McDonald – Principal*



You are ALL invited!  
Parents & Friends are meeting next Thurs., 28th September at 7.30p.m. in the Staffroom. Please come along and share your thoughts and ideas and be a part of this very important group.



*Hope is the virtue of a heart that does not close itself in darkness or remain locked in the past but looks towards the future. - Pope Francis*

## BOARD TALK from our Chair, John Mallon

**T**he Board of Trustees held its second meeting of the term last Wednesday, so its time to provide an update on what's happening.

**A**s you may know, the Board of Trustees elections will be held at the beginning of December, with nominations closing on 17th November. We encourage you to put your name forward as being a trustee is a rewarding role and provides an opportunity to make a contribution to the governance of our great School.

**T**he 2018 Carnival was discussed at the meeting and following consultation with the Parents & Friends Ctte, a decision has been made for the fundraising to be used for a new "Littly" playground. We think it is time for an upgrade!

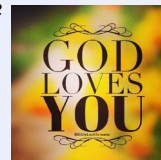
**W**e also approved a long overdue replacement of the pool pump and filter. This is the first stage of the upgrade of the whole pool area.

**F**inally, the BOT will be undertaking its triennial Charter and Strategic Plan review over the next 3 months. This is an important task as it establishes the strategic priorities for the School over the next 3 years. We will keep you updated on our progress.

## This Sunday's Gospel

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus is teaching us that we can do nothing to earn His generous love; it is given to any who are willing to accept it. Those who are first - those who think that they have done something to deserve God's love - will be last. Those who are last - those who know that they cannot earn God's love - will be first.**



## A REMINDER!

Please take care when parking before and after school and follow the rules.



- \* Yellow lines
- \* Disabled parking places
- \* Parking across driveways
- \* Parking in the bus stop area

**You know the drill!**

# CLASS OF THE WEEK ~ Room 4

I like my costume because it makes me feel like a fantail and it has feathers. I am excited because tonight I am doing the play on the stage. I like the production. **Chloe Smith**  
I like my costume because it makes me feel like a kiwi. It has a hat with a beak because kiwis have beaks. I like being on the stage. **Jack Buchanan**  
The costumes are super costumes because they have orange feathers. I like being on the stage because it makes me happy. **Isobel Haywood**  
I like my costume because it makes me feel like a pukeko. I feel cool because it feels good on the stage. I'm feeling happy because Pop and Lois are coming to the show tonight. **Joshua Kerr**



## All things sporty!

**Parumoana Netball/Rugby Tournament:** Last Wednesday, our Yr 6 netball team and a Year 5/6 rugby team competed in a tournament held at Ngatitua Domain. It was fantastic to see the children compete with such enthusiasm. Both teams had some wins and losses and were fantastic at being competitive while playing fairly. Our thanks go to **Brent Ringrose, Nathan Lewer, Sacha Greening and Casey King-Tararo** for supporting the teams.

**Indoor Soccer:** A huge thank you to **Mika Joronen, Rajan Jeyathas, Franchesca Blank and Brayden Algar** for managing/coaching the indoor soccer teams this term. It is especially pleasing to see our ex-students giving back. Brayden volunteered to coach the Year 5/6 team and did an amazing job.

**Miniball -Term 4:** If your child is interested in playing miniball in Term 4, they need to return their notice by next Monday. If you didn't receive one, then please go to the school website: What's on Top/School notices. **It is important that all details are filled out on the form.**



Congratulations, Connor! **Connor Savea** came 3rd Overall in the Novice section of Saturday's National Sport Stacking Championships in Whanganui as well as 2nd Overall in the Novice Male section. This is a great achievement for his first tournament. There are sure to be many more!

**Staff vs Students annual Netball game** is on TOMORROW at lunchtime. Students wear their netball uniforms and then they will be collected in.

## THE ROCKETS ARE THE CHAMPS!

The Rockets won the final of the Indoor Soccer tournament! The score was 3-1 and they went through the whole league undefeated. The team did brilliantly, displaying not only great skill and commitment but also fantastic sportsmanship and team work. I'm very proud of the way they always conducted themselves and the win was a great way to end the season.

*Mika Joronen (Coach/Manager)*

Back: **Tom Rousell, Niko Joronen, Mika Joronen (Manager), Isaac Ringrose, George Franklin, Isabella Beach** Front: **Sam Rousell, Samuel Zvirzdinas, Archie Sinclair**



## Yummy Apple Stickers

Get your charts in to Mrs. Fitzsimons please. House points available!



## SPARKS OF GOD - T3, Week 8

Back: **Vincent Bakker, Cooper Mallon, Cerys Goodstadt-Brown, Maddison Maclean**

Front: **Alex Cousins, Archie Sinclair, Ava Moore, Jacob Fordham, Jasper Talamaivao**

## 'Stuff' to remember:

### TOMORROW:

**Uniform fittings** - you need to call Gina to book an appointment.

**ONESIE or pyjamas DAY.** Please send along a gold coin donation. This is to support the Wellington Free Ambulance Service.

**Netball:** Teachers vs students at 12.30p.m.

### SATURDAY:

Election Day - St. T's is a voting place!

### THURSDAY, 28th September:

**'Bring and Buy Day'** - Children only shopping and fun day. **CHILDREN:** Please bring your coins in a purse and a carry bag for any treasures. **PARENTS:** There is still time to donate any old toys, books, etc. Rooms 9 and 10 are waiting to receive them!