



"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, Giddyay, Malo ni

It's amazing how quickly the days are flying by and we are already nearing the end of Week 3.

Yesterday we celebrated All Saints Day with Mass in the Church. Thank you to Angela Cole and the teachers for supporting our students to prepare the readings, singing and prayers. Thank you also to Fr. Maurice and the Parish community for sharing this special Mass with us.

Our beehive has been set up in the Learning Hub area and we are fortunate to have a dedicated group of environmentalists keen to get this project up and running. Thank you to Sarah Hunt and her team: Maia Goodstadt-Brown, Matthew Dodds and Mitchell Brown. They will be giving us regular updates as things progress.

Congratulations to our Chess team on their performance last weekend - a fantastic effort to finish in the Top 10 out of a very strong field.

Thank you for your responses to our short survey on using the acronym SPARK, to describe the positive behaviours we wish to see throughout the School. There was an excellent response, with 85% of people agreeing to this forming part of our procedural plan. The updated procedures will now be finalised and shared with the community for final consultation.

We have replaced the pool filter and pump and are currently in the process of having the pool ready to start swimming on the 1st December. We require a new cover and some minor repairs to the fence and gate however, we are excited at the prospect of some great settled weather ahead of us, so we can get some swimming in before the end of the year.

Next Tuesday we will be having our information sharing evening, designed to showcase and inform you on the opportunities our children have to learn through digital technologies. Please try to lock this date into your diaries as it will be a very informative evening. We have created a short survey for catering purposes, as we are providing a sausage sizzle. Come along with the children to enjoy a fun, hands-on information evening.

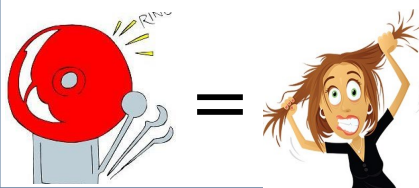
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Donna McDonald - Principal



Learn from wonder; nurture astonishment. Live, love, believe. And, with the grace of God, never despair. - Pope Francis

Ding, ding, ding! **Rose, Lilyana and Hannah** have written an awesome story about Mrs. McDonald's dilemma concerning the school bells! You should ask them to read it to you!



Dates for your diary

- Fri., 3rd Nov.:** *Disco 5 - 6.30p.m. & 7 - 8.30p.m.
- Tues., 7th Nov.:** *Digital Technology Evening
- Wed., 8th Nov.:** *Powhiri & Mass 9a.m.
- Fri., 10th Nov.:** *Uniform Fittings From 2p.m.
- Mon., 13th - Fri. 17th Nov.:** *Y6 Camp
- Wed., 15th - Thurs., 16th Nov.:** *Y5 Zoo Sleepover
- Thurs., 16th Nov.:** * Y4 Matiu Somes Island Trip

Still a few more items to come so keep checking!

Chess Success!!!



Chess finals
2017 Hamilton
Top ten finish
for our team -

(Back)
Joe Reiher,
Rauri Meo,
Carter Lynch

(Front)
Victor Ablett,
Aiden Harrison

This Sunday's Gospel

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Sunday Jesus explains to the crowds that the Jewish leaders are so wrapped up in the privilege and honour that come with their position that they neglect to exercise true leadership. Jesus tells us that the traits of a good leader are service and humility. Jesus continues saying that honour and glory belong to God alone.



Board of Trustees - Mid-Term Elections

Nominations are invited for the election of **2 Parent Representatives** to the Board of Trustees. A nomination form and notice will be posted to all eligible voters. Nominations close at noon on Friday, 17th November and may be accompanied by a signed candidate's statement. The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours. There will also be a list of candidates' names as they come to hand, for inspection at school. Voting closes at noon on 1st December, 2017. *Gina Rollandi - Returning Officer*

Class of the Week - Room 10

This week we have been remembering Parihaka. On 5th November, 1881, soldiers marched into Parihaka to claim the land but the people of Parihaka refused to fight back and danced and sang. This week we have been making poi with a symbol of peace to remember Parihaka. On Friday we will be performing a short play and making bread in remembrance. Come and join us at Assembly.



Congratulations to Ava Wrenn who won **GOLD** in her division at the Cheerleading Nationals this weekend. Well done, Ava!



The P & F Committee have organised this fabulous opportunity for our families. **Family Portraits Fundraiser** Saturday, 11th November. You'll have to be quick as spaces are limited. Contact Jodie Hickey-Smith (021-450396) to schedule your booking or for more information. Check out: www.photographybykirsten.co.nz

Yay - there's a new baby in town! Congratulations to the **Locke-Fearon family** on the birth of their new baby boy.



Miniball Results

Stars won 8 - 7! Amazing effort by the whole team. PoD: **Noah Pio**
Fair Play Award: **Jack Buchanan**
Rockets PoD: **Ethan Ho**
Hurricanes lost a hotly contested game, 10 - 12. PoD well deserved to **Cruz King-Tararo** for some great defensive play.
Lasers had a win 8-2. The team worked well together and had an awesome first game. PoD to **Patch Dunne** in his very first game!
Thunderbirds had a loss 12 - 22. A fast-paced game but we had some great hoops scored by **Elijah Tia**, our PoD.



Oh, wait!!! There's another new baby in town! Deborah Norris is 'Aunty Deborah' once again, to a wee baby girl. Congratulations, Ms. Norris and Adrienne, Kelvin and Laina.

SPARKS OF GOD - T4, Week 2



Back: Vaughn Lynch, Max Lewer, Ava Woodley, Janelle Burrell
Front: Sophia Davis, Isobel Haywood, Noah Pio, Noah Lewer

Powhiri and Mass of Welcome

Wednesday, 8th November at 9a.m.
Everyone is warmly welcome to attend. It is the turn of all families in Rooms 2, 3 & 4 (except those being welcomed!) to supply the morning tea. Your contributions should be dropped off in the Hall at the start of School.

