



St. Theresa's Catholic School Newsletter - 21st March, 2019



"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, Shalom, Dia duit, Mauri, Halo, Bom dia, Gidday

Mai i te Kopae ki te Urupa, tatou ako tonu ai - From the cradle to the grave, we are forever learning.

What an action packed week this has been - starting on Saturday with our 2019 Carnival.

Thank you to everyone who once again supported our major fundraiser for the year. The whole school was buzzing from Friday morning until Saturday night and we are so grateful for the energy and enthusiasm people have for this day. Special thanks to **Jen Jermy and Maria Gair**, our organising committee - this is a huge role and we couldn't run an event like this without you.

This week Kakano and Pihinga Pods were out and about in the city, enjoying the Capital E experience. This has been a wonderful opportunity for our whole school to experience the many aspects of The Arts in an affordable way. We are grateful for the free buses that were supplied through Capital E, which makes travelling into the city so much easier.

On Tuesday we went into role as voyagers and created a ship experience for the children as our immersion. This begins our school-wide inquiry on voyaging and looking at how people came to Aotearoa New Zealand. The children were involved in a range of activities that represented life on board an 18th Century ship, which included creating telescopes and maps, close drawing of native flora and fauna, baking hard tac biscuits, feeding the goat, sheep, chickens and rabbits we had on board, scrubbing the deck and learning about the navigational systems that were used with ships bells, etc. Captain Cook's first voyage to the Pacific was to see the transit of Venus in Tahiti so there were many scientists, botanists and artists on the ship as well as the crew itself. This inquiry will develop throughout the year and include many different perspectives on voyaging.

This Friday at 1.39p.m. we will be coming together as a school to observe a minute's silence and perform our Haka in honour of the many victims of last Friday's tragic event. Many schools across the country will be involved in this tribute at the same time. We have been informed that green is an important colour to the Muslim people and **will not** be holding a mufti day however children are welcome to wear a green arm band or ribbon and bring gold coins to be donated to the Porirua Islamic Centre, if your family/whanau are comfortable with that.

Have a wonderful weekend - see you all on Sunday at Mass.

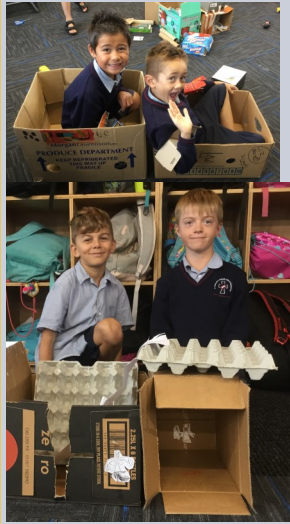
Donna McDonald - Principal



Thank you to EVERYONE for their awesome support of our CARNIVAL 2019



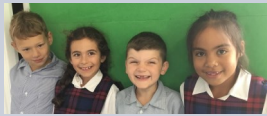
Class of the Week - Room 7



During Makerspace in Room 7, we have been making our own inventions out of boxes. We have also been learning how to use Stopmotion on the Chromebooks.

We've been working in groups to invent something that hasn't been invented before.

We've been working hard and they're not finished yet!



Reporters: **Xavier, Isabella, George, and Helena**

Sunday's Gospel - 3rd Sunday of Lent During Lent, the voice of God calls to each of us with these words, 'Come back to me with all your heart, for I am all tenderness and compassion'. Tempted as we might be to give up on others and even ourselves, when we feel our Lenten promises are producing no fruit, God never gives up on us. God calls us by our name and waits, and waits.



All the action on Immersion Day!

Important dates for you to diarise:

Sun., 24th March 9.30 am

Whole School/Parish Mass

Thurs., 28th Mar.: Senior Swimming Sports 1 - 2.30pm

Fri., 29th Mar.: Uniform fittings

Sun., 31st Mar.: First Reconciliation

Fri., 12th Apr.: Whanau Day and the close of Term 1

POOL KEYS

Just reminder that keys need to be returned by the end of this month please.

Sports Results:

Indoor Soccer: The Thunderbirds were gallant in defeat - that's all there is to say!

POD: **Sam Rousell** for excellent defending

Flag: A close game this week.

Fantastic result - we won 7 - 6!

PoDs were **Flynn Croasdale** for fast running and great skills and **Hannah Greenham** for being a great team player and never giving up.

Before School Care - Gauge of interest

Our After School Care provider, Rofi Meera, is considering offering Before School Care, depending on the amount of interest shown by parents. If this is something you would consider, please email her on st.theresa.asc.plimmerton@gmail.com

The opening time would potentially be from 7 - 8.20a.m. which is the earliest children are allowed at school without parent supervision.

Sparks of God - Term 1, Week 6



Back: Andre Hesp, Cassidy Meli, Lachlan Baker, Isaac Gilmour, Micah Jordan

Front: Brody Algar, Lashini Jeyathas, Tiarnan Curran, Ethan Ho, Jakson Croasdale, Mikee Gayotin

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