



St. Theresa's Catholic School Newsletter - 28th March, 2019



"To live, learn and love with Jesus, being the best we can be."

Principal's Note

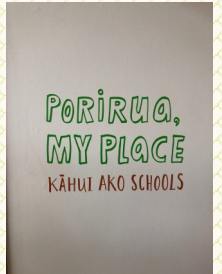
Hello, Kia Ora, Talofa lava, Namaste, Mabuhay, Ciao, Kia Orana, Ahalan, Konnichiwa, Ni hao, Selamat, Xin chao, Bonjour, Bula, Dzień/Dobry, Shalom, Dia duit, Mauri, Halo, Bom dia, Gidday

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

It was lovely to see everyone at our first School/Parish mass for the year on Sunday. The children sang and read beautifully. Fr Maurice spoke so well and reminded the children to celebrate all the good things that happen in life, while remembering the victims of the tragic events in Christchurch which is a great message for us all.

This week has been super busy again with many of our senior students out and about participating in a variety of sports - living the dream! They have challenged themselves in cricket, rugby and swimming and gave their best in all types of weather. We congratulate the Robbie Freuan Rugby team, who took out the 2nd Division trophy again! Awesome work Mr Pham and the team. Thanks to Trish Fitzsimons, our PE/Sports co-ordinator, for all the work you do to organise these events for our students and of course, our great team here for working together to support each other. Thanks also to all the parents and whanau who help to transport, supervise and support the children to be involved.

Porirua, My Place is a collection of multi-disciplinary artwork that is currently being exhibited at Pātaka in Porirua. This exhibition has been put together by the schools in our CoL and some of our St. Theresa's students have their artwork on display. Thanks to Pauline MacLean for working with the students to get their artwork ready for this exhibition. It is definitely worth a look if you are out and about in Porirua.

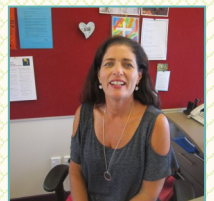


We are excited to have received the extra additions to our Kapa Haka uniform this week and our thanks go to the Four Winds Foundation for their generous support of the school. Also, many thanks to Jen Jermy who continues to submit grants on our behalf. The children are looking forward to wearing these as a Kapa Haka performance group.

Playground Update: The planning and design of the playground revisioning is well underway. Today we met with our designer and we will have a whole school concept completed very soon that we can work through in stages. It is so exciting to be able to start to put the ideas the children, staff and community have shared into a real design - watch this space!

Wishing you all a happy and as safe weekend.

Donna McDonald - Principal



The culture of appearance, which leads us to live for passing things, is a great deception.

Because it is like a flaring blaze: once it is over, only ashes remain. - Pope Francis

Some important dates:

Fri., 29th March:
Uniform fittings Please call
Gina to make an appt.

Sun., 31st March:

First Reconciliation

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

Mon., 29th April: Start of
Term 2.

This week, we welcome Kyle Sīchampankhone and his parents Kare and Susie. Kyle has joined the children in Room 4. We all wish you many happy years as part of the St. T's community.



Term dates for 2019

Term 2: 29th April - 5th July

Term 3: 22nd July - 27th September

Term 4: 14th October - 20th December TBC

Code Club

Are there any parents or members of our school community who are keen to help out and/or lead an after school Code Club? If so, please contact Dele Oluwole at dele26@gmail.com

Sunday's Gospel - 4th Sunday of Lent

The story of the Prodigal Son speaks to us of the meaning of reconciliation. It tells us of God's forgiveness and the mercy He wants us to show to one another. During Lent, we remember this story and we seek to be reconciled with God and others, especially through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



Class of the Week - Room 10

Room 10 have had an amazing term. They've been working on their portraits, some of which are on display in Pātaka. We have also been doing some amazing poetry as part of the School Kit Get NZ Writing project. Check out our Assembly this week.



Carnival 2019 Raffle Winners

- 1st Prize: 1344 Ticket sold by the Hope family
 2nd Prize: 2919 Ticket sold by the Blank family
 3rd Prize: 1198 Ticket sold by the Stewart family
 4th Prize: 604 Ticket sold by the McMinn family
 5th Prize: 446 Ticket sold by the Holmes family
 6th Prize: 475 Ticket sold by the Gibbons family

Congratulations to you all - we hope you thoroughly enjoy your prizes!



POOL KEYS

Just reminder that keys need to be returned by TOMORROW please.

\$2 Lucky Dips

We still have some of these available from the Office. Send along your money and be in to win.



School Uniform News

Remember to make an appointment for a uniform fitting if you need anything for the colder months. You can also email our supplier on b.chapman093@gmail.com or call 972-0682.

SPORTS HOODIES: This applies to children in Years 3 - 6 only, is **OPTIONAL** and is part of the sports uniform. They do not replace our school jersey and cannot be worn to and/or from school unless children are wearing their PE uniform for a sports event. Tomorrow is the last chance you have to get your order and payment in. No late orders will be accepted.

Could you be interested in Before School Care for your child/ren?

Please remember to let our After School Care provider, Rofi Meera, know if you may be interested in Before School Care. Email her on st.theresa.asc.plimmerton@gmail.com. The opening time would likely be from 7 - 8.20a.m. which is the earliest children are allowed at school without parent supervision.

WE WON!

Congratulations to all the players who participated in the Robbie Freuan Trophy games yesterday. Our team retained the Buxton Popoali'i Trophy. **Charlie Carter** was named the MVP, **Brooke Jones**, the Best Back and **John Tyrell**, the Best Forward. Thanks to all the parents who transported, supervised and supported the team.



Sparks of God - Term 1, Week 7

Back: Charlie Carter, Flynn Croasdale, Harlan Baker, Xavier Jordan
 Front: Sophia Todd, Oakley Simmons, Charlie Wrenn, Ara van Schaik, Bella Adams, Iris Gair, Alexander Stewart
 Photographer: Adam Murphy