



St. Theresa's Catholic School Newsletter - 30th May, 2019



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

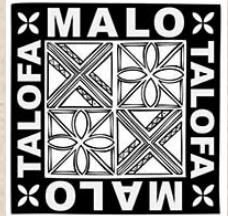
Principal's Note

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

Mai i te Kopae ki te Urupa, tatou huge range of opportunities ako tonu ai— From the cradle to the grave, we are forever learning.

A malu i fale, e malu i fafo – Respect yourself and others will

Talofa Lava! Welcome to Samoan Language Week. The children have been busy making prints and learning the Sasa for our battle on Friday at Assembly. Special thanks to Tasi (Kobe, Cruz and Brody's Mum) for the work she has done to support the children and teachers.



Vaiaso o le Gagana Sāmoa - Samoa Language Week is being held from Sunday, 26 May – Saturday, 1 June 2019. The theme for this year is: 'Lalaga le si'osi'omaga mo se lumana'i manuia' - 'Weave an environment for a better future'.

On Tuesday we celebrated Catholic Schools Day with our Porirua Pastoral schools, St Francis Xavier, Tawa, Holy Family, Porirua and St Pius X, Titahi Bay. This was a wonderful day of activities and fun for all the children, staff and family/whanau involved. Catholic Schools Day is our opportunity every 3 years to celebrate who we are as special Catholic Character schools. The theme for this year was:

Extending Christ's Call: to love, to be, to do

Kia rangiwhāwhātia tā te Karaiti karanga: kia aroha, kia tūturu, kia mahi

This theme aligns with our Catholic schools' commitment to serve the community, each other and those in need.



Thank you all again for the support we have received during our strike day yesterday. As you may have seen on TV, this was an unprecedented turn out of teachers across the country and we were able to deliver our message clearly to the Government. The teachers join me in thanking you all for your patience, understanding and support at this time and we are all looking for a quick outcome to this action.

Have a wonderful long weekend and safe travels to anyone going away.

Donna McDonald - Principal

If you trust in the goodness of the Lord,
you will understand the meaning of
events and the purpose of
your life. - Pope Francis



welcome

This week, we warmly welcome **Aahil Khan** and his parents Azamal and Marilyn to our School community. We hope you make many happy memories here at St. T's!

BOARD

I am pleased to advise that the School has successfully completed the recent ERO review and received an excellent (draft) report. The School is considered "Strong" by ERO. This is testament to the dedication and hard work that Donna and her team put into the education of our children and is well deserved.

A copy of the final report will be available shortly on the School website.

The Board of Trustees elections will be held on 7 June with 8 nominations for the 5 parent representative positions to be filled. You are all encouraged to participate in the election and vote for your representatives.

My special thanks go to Gail Saipani, currently a parent representative who has decided to step down after 3 years on the Board. Gail has made a huge contribution to the Board and the success of our School over her time on the Board and also as a past organiser of the Carnival. Her shoes will be hard to fill! Thank you also to all of our current Board members who are not standing for re-election.

Take care and God bless. **John Mallon** - Chair, Board of Trustees

TALK

THE ASCENSION

Those who believe in Jesus will be empowered to do what Jesus Himself has done. Already in Mark's Gospel, during His ministry, Jesus sent His disciples out to preach, to heal and to drive out unclean spirits. Now, in this Sunday's Gospel, they are sent again to do these things and more. From His place with God in heaven, Jesus helped His disciples and He continues to help us as we try to live as His followers.





Hockey Results

A loss to the St. T's Phoenix this week.
PoD: **Stella Smith**



Well done to our 2nd group of Junior Tough Guy and Girl Challenge participants! We admire you all so much!

Sparks of God - Term 2, Week 5

Back: James Tohill, Lachlan Maclean, Sophia Davis, Mila Robinson, Ara van Schaik
Front: Lina Ramm, Charlie Cheung, Samuel Zvirzginas, Brianna Ball

LOST PROPERTY: James Tohill has lost his Vivo Spiderman Fitbit and Stella Smith's named (SMITH) school hoodie is also missing. Please have a look to see if your child mistakenly has either of these two items. (There is a lot of clothing in the Lost Property bin - just saying!)

Diary Dates:

Fri., 31st May

* Year 3 - 6 Cross Country
11.30 - 12.30

Wed., 5th June

Start of our Book Week

Fri., 7th June

- * Book Character Parade
- * Uniform fittings
- * Voting closes at noon

Wed., 19th June

* Board meeting 6p.m.

Thurs., 20th June

* Makerspace evening

Sat., 22nd June

* Confirmation 6p.m.

Wed., 26th June

* Matakriki 5p.m.

Everyone's a winner!

Camp 2019 Fundraiser: Here's your chance to get some amazing wines at amazing prices. Your go to person for more info is Jodie Hickey-Smith 021-450396.

Entertainment Books: Check out the attachment in our email - Special offer!

Our thanks to **Mike Montgomery** (Hannah Greenham's grandad) for the maintenance jobs he does for us. We appreciate his hard work very much.



Board of Trustees Elections

All eligible voters have been posted their voting paper so please make sure you read the instructions enclosed for your vote to count!

**REMEMBER
THERE'S NO
SCHOOL ON
MONDAY!**

WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE HERE!

Class of the Week - Room 6



On Tuesday it was Catholic Schools Day. Kids from St. Pius X, Holy Family and St. Francis came to our school. We went into groups with kids from all the schools and did different activities. I had a lot of fun drawing and I spent the whole day talking to other kids from different schools. We made lots of new friends.

Reporters: **Willow and Paige**

