



St. Theresa's Catholic School Newsletter - 13th June, 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, Giday, Gutentag

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

What a huge week of learning the children have had as we zoom through June and head into July. Winter will be over before we know it and the great summer weather will be here again. We have had the pool skimmed, resurfaced and painted during this term and it is now full again and waiting for the summer weeks for us to start swimming again. Thanks to Paremata Spa and Pool for completing this work and NZ Community Trust for the very generous grant we received to help fund the work. A very special thanks to Jen Jermy for applying for this grant on our behalf.

The children (and staff) have been enjoying investigating and building all sorts of structures with the materials in our Play Pod. We are continually adding bits and pieces to the pod and the children are learning how to responsibly use materials and tidy them away after they have finished. We are also running a competition to decide on the artwork for the front of the container and it has been great to see the children working together to produce some amazing ideas.

Congratulations to all of the children who attended the Parumoana Zone Cross Country on Tuesday. Reports from the adults involved were very complementary about the high standard of behaviour both on and off the course, from all our students. It is great to see our children being ambassadors for our School and letting their SPARK shine.

Kakano pod braved the weather on Tuesday and visited Zealandia as part of their inquiry learning for this term. The children were engaged in their learning and asked great questions. They were all worn out at the end of the day and I was told the bus ride home was very quiet! Zealandia is a taonga to Wellington and a wonderful place to visit with the whole family.

At the start of the term we were visited by a team from the Education Review Office (ERO). The review team spent 4 days in our School, speaking with the staff, Board members, students and community members. They also observed teaching and reviewed planning, reporting, outcomes for learners, school conditions and processes. This week we received our final report which will be accessible on the ERO website in the next week or so. The review team made positive reference to the students' ability to self-manage, be collaborative and articulate their learning. They also noted the high creativity within our learners and their very positive dispositions to their learning. The school was given an overall rating of **STRONG** which indicates school conditions are consistently well-developed, outcomes are consistently equitable and excellent and learning and achievement is systematically and significantly accelerated. ERO noted that the school is strongly improvement and future focussed. My personal thanks to the whole team at St. Theresa's who continue to work together to achieve equity and excellence for all students.

Donna McDonald - Principal

You are invited to a **Makerspace Evening on Thursday, 20th June** from 5 - 6.30pm in Room 9 and 10. This is an opportunity for you to hear about developing 21st Century learners and the need for it. The Code Club will be presenting their projects and there will be an opportunity for children and adults to explore aspects of the new Digital Technology curriculum. Everyone is welcome to join in with the fun. Please RSVP at office@st-theresas.school.nz. *Pauline MacLean & Arnie Pham*



St Theresa's After School Care/Before School Care/Holiday Programme, licensed for 40 children, is offering an opportunity for a new owner/operator to step in and take over the reins. The current owner is planning to move overseas and would like to find a suitable owner as early as possible. This will be a good opportunity for someone who would like to start a business with a reasonable investment and able to reach the break even in one year. If you are interested in buying the business or you know someone who might be, please contact Rofi Meera on 0212510133 to make enquiries or if you have any further questions.

TRINITY SUNDAY

The mystery of the Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian faith.

God made it known to us by revealing Himself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit.





Sparks of God - Term 2, Week 6

Back: Kira Sidoti, Hannah Tohill, Blossom Dele-Oluwole, Harrison Croasdale, Charlie Land
Front: Mikee Gayotin, Kyle Sichampanakhone, Nahla Taylor-Mallon, Patch Dunne

Diary Dates:

Wed., 19th June * Board meeting 6p.m.
Thurs., 20th June * Makerspace evening
Sat., 22nd June * Confirmation 6p.m.
Wed., 26th June * Matariki 5p.m.
Fri., 28th June * Uniform fittings
Fri., 5th July * School closes
Mon., 22nd July * Start of Term 3

SAVE THE DATE!

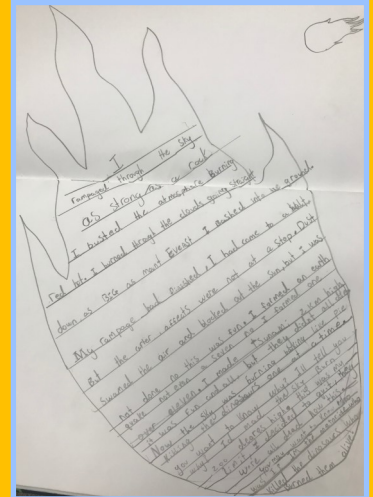
FRIDAY, 23RD AUGUST FOR OUR ST. T'S DISCO

It's a girl! Dora Leone has a new baby sister. Congratulations to Jerome, Alysha, Azriel and Dora. We are sure she will fill your lives with love and happiness.



Class of the Week - Room 10

This term Room 10 have have been working very hard. We are the Mineral and Species Discoverers and we have been commissioned to research first footprints in New Zealand for a mobile museum. This has involved a trip to the new Te Taiao exhibition at Te Papa. We all have a special role and responsibility in creating the museum.



By Vaughn Lynch

Reporters: Breanna, Blossom, Sophie and Isabel

Sports Results/Reports:

Miniball:

St. T's Tigers drew 8 all. PoD: **Olivia-Grace Todd**



St. T's Rockets lost 0 - 7 last week. PoD: **Jayden Blanchard**. This week they won 5 - 3 and PoD: **Alex Stewart**.

St. T's Angels had a loss. PoD: **Sophia Todd**

St. T's Shining Stars had a loss. PoD: **Mia Macintosh**

Unihoc: **St. T's Eagles** did it again and won 1 - 0. **Andre Hesp** took PoD for his awesome dribbling skills and keeping the ball away the Eagles' goal. **Sam Rousell** got MIP for his brilliant team work and **Isabella Beach** got best effort for consistently protecting the goal and encouraging her team mates.

Apologies! We have re-attached the School Cross Country results from last week and regret the errors.

Inter-School Cross Country/Inter-School Cross Country/Inter-School Cross Country

We were very proud of all our children who participated in this event on Tuesday. They displayed determination and courage. Thank you very much to those parents who were able to provide transport, supervise and marshall. Huge congratulations to the following children who placed in the top ten of their year group and will go on to represent the Parumoana Association and St T's at the Regionals.

Year 5 Boys: **Lachie Maclean (1st)**, Year 6 Boys: **Vaughn Lynch (3rd)**, Year 6 Girls: **Mia Macintosh (4th)** and **Brooke Jones (10th)**, Year 4 Boys: **Tommy Carter (9th)**

