



St. Theresa's Catholic School Newsletter - 20th 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, Gidday, Gutentag

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

The very cold mornings are making it harder to get started and are a gentle reminder that winter is just around the corner. It's hard to believe that we are nearly half way through the year already. We have been lucky so far with no major illness across the school. However, we are very aware that the necessity of being indoors, more over the next term brings a higher risk of bugs being spread so, we will all need to be super vigilant.

Last night the new Board of Trustees met for the first time and we welcomed our new members Paul Kerr, Jacqui Reading, Sarah Buchanan, Rahul Patil our staff rep, Pauline MacLean. Thank you to all those people who put themselves forward as candidates for the election. We are very fortunate to have such an interested and connected community here at St Theresa's. We also formally farewelled and thanked our outgoing Board members Gail Saipani, Damian McBride, Dele Oluwole and John Mallon.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank John Mallon, our outgoing Chair of the Board, for his commitment to the School over the past 8 years. John has thanked many other Board members over the years for their time and dedication to making our School a future-focused, learning-focused, strong community and it is now time to thank him. John has held the roles of Treasurer and Chair over his time and has supported the school through floods, new buildings, strikes and 2 ERO reviews to name just a few events. This is not goodbye as John still has his youngest child Emily in Room 2. It's now more of an opportunity for John to focus on other areas of supporting the school such as the Disco or the Working Bee!! Thanks John for your support, guidance and commitment to the St Theresa's School community.

We have a high level concept plan of what the new development for our whole School play environment could look like. Over the next few weeks, this will be up around the School for you to look at and make comments on. Jen Jermy has also applied for a TreeMendous Grant on our behalf, using this plan and we look forward to hearing back from that. We are looking at firming up plans for the first stage and starting work in Term 3 of this year. Thank you for your patience and support of this very exciting project.

Family Zone Cyber Safety Hub - Family Zone helps keep kids safe online when they access the Internet through the School's network. Our goal is to protect every student from online harm while still allowing them to take advantage of the incredible possibilities the Internet has opened up. That's why we've partnered with Family Zone, New Zealand's leading provider of cyber safety and digital-awareness tools and services.

We also have a limited number of Family Zone Family Packs available to give away. These packs are valued at \$72 per year. A Family Zone Family Pack provides 6 Mobile Zone licenses to cover up to 6 devices. Families can then use the 6 Mobile Zone licenses in each pack to activate Mobile Zone on up to 6 of their children's devices. Come along to our Makerspace evening tonight at 5pm in Room 10 to be in to win one of these packs. More information and the link to access a family pack will be in next week's newsletter.

Finally, it was so great to watch our St Theresa's hockey team play on Saturday. They played hard and fair and managed a well-deserved win against Tawa. Great goals from Alfie and Stella sealed the hard work of the whole team. Good luck this week to both our hockey and netball teams.

To all of the children participating in activities over the weekend, remember to have fun, work hard and learn something. Have a wonderful weekend everyone.

Donna McDonald - Principal



Each one of us has infinite value for God: we may be small under heaven and powerless when the earth trembles but for God, we are more precious than anything. - *Pope Francis*

Makerspace Evening TONIGHT 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.
Pauline MacLean & Arnie Pham



The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
This Sunday as we celebrate the feast of the Body and Blood of Jesus, we are thankful for the gift of the Eucharist, the meal that feeds us on our spiritual journey.





Sparks of God - Term 2, Week 7

Back: Vaughn Lynch, Emily Beuerlein, Mia Zvirzginas
 Middle: Joshua Kerr, Ava Duncan, Ella Seque
 Front: Jayden Blanchard, Noah Hesp, Wyntah Mair, Bella Woodley, Hannah Murphy

Our Matariki Celebration Wednesday, 26th June from 5 - 6.30p.m.

Come and celebrate Matariki with us! It is a time for friends, family and remembrance. There will be entertainment and a beautiful candle and light ceremony. Soup, rolls and Matariki cookies will be served for dinner. Please RSVP (for catering purposes) to Gina. office@st-theresas.school.nz

Everyone needs to bring their own bowl or cup and a spoon for their soup!



Matariki

St Theresa's After School Care/Before School Care/Holiday Programme is looking for a new owner/operator. 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 please contact Rofi Meera on 0212510133 to make enquiries or if you have any further questions.

CLASS OF THE WEEK - ROOM 2

I wonder where native New Zealand animals live? Room 2 came back excited to know more about native animals and insects after their trip to Zealandia. The students designed a habitat for native New Zealand birds. They were given the challenge to create something to catch or stop pests like possums from damaging their habitat.



Sports Results/Reports:

Miniball:

St. T's Rockets lost 0 - 9. PoDs: **Angelo Meo and Bella Woodley**
 St. T's Tigers won 24 - 0. PoD: **William Lin**
 St. T's Angels won 16-2. What a game!
 PoD **Tom Rousell**
 St. T's Shining Stars lost 8-14. Amazing team play.
 PoD **Lilyana Wrenn**



Slow cookers required

We need a few slow cookers to make soup for our Matariki celebration. If you are able to loan one to us, please name it and leave it in the staffroom by next Monday afternoon. In anticipation, many thanks.



Diary Dates:

TONIGHT * Makerspace evening
Sat., 22nd June * Confirmation 6p.m.
Wed., 26th June * Matariki 5p.m.
Fri., 28th June * Uniform fittings
Fri., 5th July * Mufti Mania and end of Term 2!
Mon., 22nd July * Start of Term 3

Advance warning! Production 2019 is on 11th & 12th September. Put it in your diary!