



**Principal's Note**

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

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

Kia ora and welcome to our newsletter for Week 5.

What a huge week of learning this has been, with the seniors preparing for camp and the zoo sleepover, the whole school writing and practising their speeches, zone athletics and of course our Epro8 teams competing at Titahi Bay Intermediate.

Today I was really fortunate to spend time in with Room 3 and share some of their learning. Thank you Room 3 for having me as your teacher for a short time today and sharing all your great learning with me.



We were proud to send 2 really great teams from our Year 5 and 6 students to compete at the Epro8 Innovation Challenge. We were able to secure a 3<sup>rd</sup> equal placing however we unfortunately didn't win the tie breaker so won't be going through to the next round. Photographs of the teams will be in next week's newsletter.



The sun always seems to come out in time for Bush Sprouts and today was no exception. Thanks to Ed Land who has been supporting Leo Smith this term with our Thursday afternoon group. We are very fortunate to have this as an additional learning opportunity for all of our students to experience.

Tomorrow will be a full school dress up mufti day. The children have earned this reward by working as a team and displaying our PB4L focus of respect. We have had specific target areas we have been focussed on and the children have supported each other to learn what those are. This is a reward day so no donation is required and it would be great if all children were able to enjoy wearing mufti.



Have a happy and safe weekend.

Kia pai te wiki

**Donna McDonald - Principal**

Prayer always arouses feelings of fraternity, it breaks down barriers, crosses borders, creates invisible but real and effective bridges, and opens horizons of hope. – Pope Francis

**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that as his followers, we will face many difficulties. One of the challenges of being a disciple of Jesus is learning to trust his assurance that he will be with us, even in the most difficult of times.**



**Carnival 2020 - Sign up for exactly the role you want! The link is in our email. The outcome of this event is for the benefit of ALL our children and we rely on your support to make this successful. If you have any suggestions/sponsorship contacts/donations - please email the Carnival team: [carnival@st-theresas.school.nz](mailto:carnival@st-theresas.school.nz) or let Jen Jermy know (021-612345).**



This week, we welcome to Clara Dolan, daughter of Sonia and Brian. Clara has joined the children in Room 3 and we wish her and her family many happy years here at St. T's.



## WORKING BEE - Sun., 24th November after our Whole School/Parish Mass

Please consider helping out, even if only briefly. The more there are, the quicker it will be done. There are some outside jobs that need doing and all help will be much appreciated. Could you let Jen Jermy know if you'll be there? 021-612345 or jenjermy@gmail.com. Please bring along gloves, spades, buckets, etc. if you have them.

**MUFTI DAY**  
**TOMORROW!**  
**No gold coin**  
**required this time!**



**NO PIZZA**  
**NEXT WEEK!**

**PARISH NATIVITY PLAY** If anyone would like their child to be in the Nativity Play, please contact the Parish Office. Olivia McKennie is organising the play but she would love help from parents.



**Lost Property:** Siena's clearly named school hat is missing. She's in Room 8. Does your child mistakenly have it?

**Tea Towel update:** The artwork has been sent off and they are going to look amazing. Thank you so much to everyone who has ordered - you won't be disappointed!

The pool will be available to families of our School from the beginning of December to the end of March. The Key Holders' Agreement is attached to our email. If you would like to buy a key (\$100), come by the Office.



## Lest we forget

*Let us also remember all our family members and friends who have died.*

This poppy and many others are growing just outside our staffroom window. A fitting reminder to all of us.



We have a new baby! Congratulations to Chris, Sasha, Mila and Ana Robinson on the birth of their daughter and sister. Welcome to the St. T's community, **Maia**. Many blessings on the whole family.



**Miniball Results:** For two games in a row, we've lost by just one goal. **Danika Strydom** was Player of the Day last week for her amazing defence and her ability to be everywhere the ball was. This week's Player of the Day was **Jack Buchanan** who showed courage with awesome dribbling, shots at hoop and great defence. You rock, Eagles! St. T's Magic unfortunately lost and their Player of the Day was Jayden Blanchard. the day was Jayden

## Diary for the rest of the year

### NOVEMBER:

Monday, 18th - Friday, 22nd - Camp and EOTC week  
Thursday, 21st - Year 5 Zoo Sleepover  
Friday, 22nd - Uniform fittings  
Sunday, 24th - Whole School/Parish Mass

### DECEMBER:

Friday, 6th - Final Assembly 9a.m.  
Wednesday, 11th - Board Meeting 6p.m.  
Thursday, 12th - Prizegiving 6p.m.  
Wednesday, 18th - Leavers' Mass 11a.m. and close of school for 2019.

## Sparks of God - Term 4, Week 4

## Class of the Week - Room 7

It's been a busy week in room 7. We've been making Faraway Trees. We designed all the details ourselves. We've been making our people with plasticine for the land at the top of the tree. We have been writing speeches. We can do our speeches about anything. It was hard but we pushed through and made it work.

Reporters: **Olivia, Emerson & Elias**



**Back:** Ethan Ho, Alex Cousins, Alexandra Baker, Sophie McBride, William Lin  
**Front:** Juliet Hall, Noah Kerr, Kobe Algar, Alisa Sinumon