



Principal's Note

Hello, Kia Ora, Talofa lava, Hola, Namaste, Mabuhay, Ciao, Kia Orana, Ahalan, Konnichiwa, Ni hao, Selamat, 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 tatou o te whanau,

Nearly the end of Week 5 and only 9 sleeps to go until the Carnival! There are going to be some really exciting activities, great bargains and fantastic food available on the day, so make sure you tell all your friends and family. The children are getting excited about the 'Fun Zone' which will be run by Mrs. MacLean and a group of helpers and will have a variety of activities for the children to make and create.

As you are probably aware, there has been a lot of media around the COVID 19 virus, with another reported case in Auckland this week. We have been given the following information from the Ministries of Health and Education, and will continue to update you with any further information we receive.

Keeping you and your family well: In terms of keeping yourself and your family well, the Ministry of Health suggests the following:

- regularly washing hands (for at least 20 seconds with warm water and soap and dry thoroughly)
- covering your mouth and nose when you sneeze
- staying home if you are sick
- avoiding close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms
- if you feel unwell you should avoid public gatherings and events.

Anyone who is unwell should not be at school. If you have a particular concern about your child, please contact Healthline at 0800 358 5453 or your GP for medical advice. Healthline has translators and interpreters available 24/7 in 150 languages including Mandarin and Cantonese.

Please remember our Reunification Drill **TOMORROW**. We will be leaving school at approximately 1pm and children need to be picked up from Mo Street.



On Friday, a small group of Year 5 and 6 students will be joining the other local schools to participate in a Kahui Rangatahi Kura Waka Ama Day. This day is part of our Kahui Ako initiative to support cultural connectiveness across the 10 schools. We are very excited to be part of this event and I would like to thank Jo Beasley and Pauline MacLean for organising our students to attend.

Wishing you all a happy and safe end to the week and one last quiet Saturday before the Carnival on the 14 March.

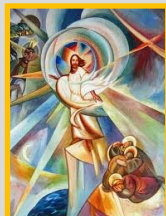
Nga mihi nui

Donna McDonald ~ Principal



This Sunday's Gospel 2nd Sunday of Lent

This Sunday we hear the story of Jesus' transfiguration. This Gospel reminds us that Jesus is no ordinary person and that His message is not ordinary either. We are reminded to pay close attention to the teachings of Jesus because He represents God's complete Word.



Anyone up for a couple of riddles?

Which 3 numbers have the same answer whether they are added or multiplied together?
 What English word has three consecutive double letters? There are no prizes - it's just for fun!



Teacher Only Day

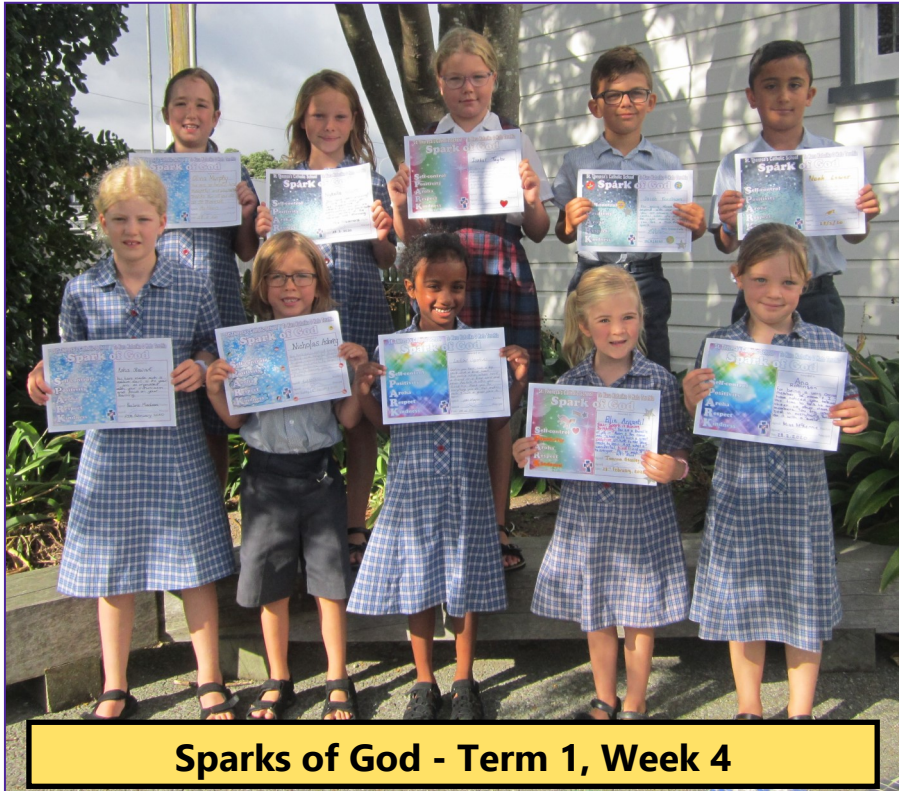
There will be NO SCHOOL on Monday, 23rd March as it is a Teacher Only Day. All teachers will be doing KiVA training and upskilling on that day. Yay! A long weekend to look forward to!



Class of the Week - Room 8

For Makerspace, we have been learning to make paper attachments. We now know how to make tabs, cones and curls. Here is a picture of our creation. We made a nature scene with a little camping spot, a tent, a fire, marshmallows on a stick, a fishing line, a crocodile and some people, with a baby lying on a mossy rock.

Reporters: **Scarlett, Wyntah, Emily and Alisa**



Sparks of God - Term 1, Week 4

Back: Olivia Murphy, Nykeita Elliott, Isabel Taylor, Jacob Fordham, Noah Lewer

Front: Asha Stewart, Nicholas Aubrey, Lashini Jeyathas, Ellie Anquetil, Ana Robinson

A bit of this and a bit of that.....

Entertainment books - these are available again, in digital form only. There are lots of new offers at the moment so check it out and please make sure you support our school when you order. Thanks in advance!

Local sports registrations, events, etc.: Check out our website under 'For Parents/Community Connections'. You don't want to miss out!

Lost Property: The bucket is overflowing - just saying!

There will only be one more uniform fitting opportunity this term on Fri. 27th March OR you can call our supplier directly on 972-0682 or email b.chapman093@gmail.com

BREADTAGS
for wheelchairs

Please
keep
collecting

Diary Dates for March/April

- Fri. 6th March: Reunification Drill
- Thurs. 12th March: Junior Swimming Sports
- Sat. 14th March: CARNIVAL 2020
- Fri. 20th March: Senior Swimming Sports
- Sun. 22nd March: School/Parish Mass 9.30a.m.
- Mon. 23rd March: Teacher Only Day
- Wed. 25th March: Board meeting
- Fri. 27th March: Uniform fittings
- Thurs. 9th Apr.: Holy Thursday and close of Term 2

Who doesn't love a surprise?!? All families will have received an empty glass jar with everything you need to know about filling MYSTERY JARS! Please help us up the numbers by filling yours (and as many more as you would like to!) and getting them back to school. Thanks heaps to all the families who have already filled theirs and more!



CARNIVAL 2020 SAT., 14TH MARCH

ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING! Do you have anything in the cupboard that you would be willing to donate to the Quick Fire Raffle packs? All donations will be very warmly received. If in doubt, just bring it! We will be accepting all donations right up to the day before Carnival however, we would appreciate them prior to that, if possible. Thanks to the families who have already shown their generosity in so many ways.



If you've sold all **your raffle tickets**, please send the butts and money back to the Office. If you want more books, please let Gina know! Thanks to those families who have already done both of these!