



Greetings and welcome back to school!

This week we extend a very warm welcome to Laina Sola and her parents Adrienne Norris and Johnny Sola. We hope you will have a very happy association with our school and find it an enriching community to be part of.

Next Wednesday at 9am we will be welcoming our new pupils and their families at our Powhiri and Mass. You are all welcome to join us for this special occasion.

On Sunday, 23rd May we will be celebrating Pentecost Sunday at the 9.30am Mass. This Mass will be organized by the school and full attendance is expected.

The NZEI paid Union Meeting for all teachers takes place on Monday, 3rd May. School will close at 2pm. Please read the note below for details.

Kia tau te rangimārie ki a tātou katoa

Deborah Norris-Acting Principal



EARLY CLOSE OF SCHOOL - 2p.m.

NZEI Paid Union Meeting: Monday, 3rd May.

School will close at 2pm on this day to allow teachers to attend this NZEI meeting. The school bus will be leaving at 2p.m.

Zita will remain at school and will be able to supervise any children who are unable to be picked up.

Glide time for uniform

It's great to see so many children in their correct winter uniform. By the beginning of week 3, 3rd May, it is expected that all children will be wearing winter uniform. Please note that t-shirts or thermals are not to be visible under shirts.

If children want to play on the field over the winter months, they can change into sports shoes at break times.

Please note that sneakers are NEVER ok as part of our school uniform even if they are black.

Term 2 Dates for your Diary

April 28th:	Powhiri and Welcoming Mass
May 3rd:	NZEI Meeting. School closes at 2p.m.
May 5th:	P&F Meeting 7.30p.m.
May 11th:	Rooms 2,3, & 4 trip to Pauatahanui Inlet
May 12th:	BOT meeting 7p.m. in the Staffroom
May 14th:	Pauatahanui Inlet postponement date
May 19th:	Years 1 and 2 attending NZ Book Award Performance at Te Raupahara Arena
May 19th:	Catholic Schools Day
May 23rd:	(Sunday) School Parish Mass, 9.30am
May 24th:	Young Leaders' Day
May 25th:	School Cross Country at Ngatitōa Domain
May 27th:	School Cross Country Postponement
June 1st:	Parumoana Interschool Cross Country
June 9th:	BOT Meeting 7p.m. in the Staffroom
June 22nd:	Rooms 2, 3 & 4 trip to Te Papa



Religious Education for Term 2, 2010

In Religious Education we will be studying the **Holy Spirit** strand for weeks 4 - 11. To help you understand what the children are learning, an overview of the Learning Intentions are below with the page reference in the Family/Whanau Book.

Year 1 – (Page 18) That the Holy Spirit is God; We cannot see the Holy Spirit but things remind us that the Holy Spirit is here to help us; How the Holy Spirit works in people's lives.

Year 2 – (Page 21) Ways that people who believe in God can respond to the Holy Spirit; Ways that the Holy Spirit is present in the Church.

Year 3 – (Page 24) Fruits of the Holy Spirit; How the Holy Spirit helps people receive God's love and bear the fruits of the Holy Spirit; How sin is the opposite to the life of the Holy Spirit.

Year 4 – (Page 27) The meaning of Pentecost and how it made the Church and the Trinity known; How the Holy Spirit helps Jesus keep His promise to be with the Church forever; How the Holy Spirit helps people to live like Jesus and to know God the Father.

Year 5 – (Page 30) The meaning of various titles and symbols of the Holy Spirit; That the Holy Spirit gives grace, tapu and mana to God's people.

Year 6 – (Page 33) That through Baptism the Holy Spirit overcomes the power of sin, helps people to believe and hope in God, act with love and grow as children of God; How the Holy Spirit living in people helps them believe in Jesus and grow to be like Him.

You are encouraged to ask questions and discuss your child's RE homework with them as this will help them gain a deeper understanding of their faith.

Young Vinnies' Report

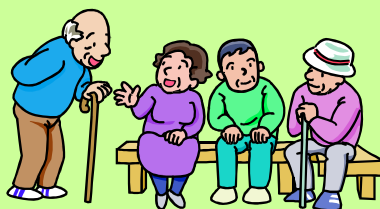
This term the Young Vinnies are donating blankets to refugee families moving to Porirua from Colombia. They are moving to Porirua because of the violence and corruption in Colombia.



The Young Vinnies are also setting new goals for Term 2.

We will be continuing to visit our senior friends at the Rest Home this term. We are always ready to help people in our school and our community.

Reporters: **Olivia Ludgate & William Scott-Rodriguez**



THANK YOU from *Karla Gilliland* (P&F Social Ctte)

Thank you to all the families who were able to join us for our Hot X Bun morning tea and for celebrating and witnessing our children perform their Easter Pageant. Many thanks to the Luong family for the tasty buns! Also, thank you to all the teaching staff for the effort and hard work put in to making the Pageant a very special and meaningful event.



GREAT NEWS!

Hurricanes Chant Competition



Thanks to MoreFm, we have been given 50 tickets to watch the Hurricanes vs Reds on **Friday, 7th May** at 7.30p.m. The holders of these tickets will be agreeing to join in the performing of this chant at the game. More information will be given to the ticket holders.

If a parent and child would like to join us, please register with Gina by next Wednesday, 28th April. If more than 50 people register we will draw names out of a hat.

Give our school extra support by visiting morefm.co.nz and vote for the St. Theresa's chant. The winner of the Chant competition will be visited by Captain Hurricane with teammates and provided with a BBQ and bouncy castle.

So, "Hurri" in to the Office to register and be part of the fun!

Cross Country

All children will be training for cross country during the first half of this term. Please make sure they have their PE gear at school every day. On Tuesday, 25th May we will have our Annual School Cross Country event at Ngatitua Domain. More details will follow in this regard.

2010 BOT Elections Nominations

TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

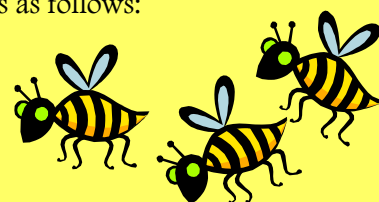
Nominations close at noon tomorrow, **Friday, 23rd April**. If there is someone you know (maybe yourself?) who would like to be on the BOT, please nominate them, get them to sign the form as acceptance and get it in ASAP.

Katharina Dobson

We are keeping Katharina in our prayers especially over the next 2 months, as she undergoes treatment for breast cancer. A prayer roster has been drawn up by Liz Wootton and for next week, it is as follows:

Monday, 26th April	Liz & David Wootton
Tuesday, 27th April	Cheryl Kidd and Room 1
Wednesday, 28th April	Margosia Buchowiecki & Room 2
Thursday, 29th April	Kelly Ross and Room 8
Friday, 30th April	St. Theresa's School Assembly

Please pray for Katharina at any time as this is one way in which we can all do something for her. A really big thank you to Liz Wootton for the amazing effort she has put into making this 3 month roster, for the wonderful gifts she has sent and for the thoughtfulness and love that is so evident.



REMIX

It's "Bingo Night" this **Friday, 21st April** at 7p.m. in the Parish hall. Bring your \$2 and a water bottle. See you there!



In May, we are going ten-pin bowling.

School Photographs

All children who had their portraits taken will have been given their proofs to take home. Proofs of all class photos are displayed on the noticeboard for you to view if you wish, before ordering. Orders need to be in to the Office by next **Friday, 30th April**. Thereafter, it will be your responsibility to place your order directly with the supplier. Cheques are to be made payable to **Photolife Studios**.

Scholastic Book Club orders need to be in to the Office by **Friday, 30th April**. Cheques need to be made payable to **Scholastic Book Club**.



Year 3/4 Netball

We start tomorrow (Friday, 23rd April) at lunchtime. For those children who registered, please bring your sneakers and meet on the netball court.

Georgina Venning.