



Note from the Principal

We warmly welcome Holly Mitchell to school! Holly, who started school this week, is the sister of Levi and daughter of Becky and Brendon. We hope you will love your school life Holly.

This week we pray for all our mothers, remembering them especially this Sunday on Mothers' Day.

As you see in the Diary, we have a school/parish Mass coming up soon on 23rd May which is also Pentecost. Please ensure you have this morning free to bring your children and for the whole community to celebrate Eucharist together.

It is wonderful to see the children looking smart in their winter uniform! Thank you parents for making sure they have the correct black winter shoes.

Kia tau te rangimārie ki a tātou katoa

Zita Smith

A MOTHER

The heart of a mother is a deep abyss, at the bottom of which you will always find forgiveness.



Board of Trustees Elections - 2010

**Last day tomorrow -
voting closes at noon.**

**Results will be announced on Friday,
14th May.**

The BOT are meeting on Wednesday, 12th May at 7 p.m. in the staffroom. Everybody warmly welcome to attend.

Open Day at Bishop Viard College

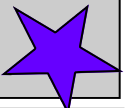
Wednesday, 19th May from 6.30p.m. - 8p.m.

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Term 2 Dates for your Diary

- 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 Ngatitua Domain
- May 27th: School Cross Country Postponement
- June 1st: Parumoana Interschool Cross Country
- June 9th: BOT Meeting 7p.m. in the Staffroom
- June 24th: Rooms 2, 3 & 4 trip to Te Papa
- July 2nd: End of Term 2



St. Theresa's Vinnies' Report



The Vinnies wanted to help three refugee families who arrived from Colombia to their new home in New Zealand. They put together three hug rugs, made welcome cards and with the help of William and Katie and their Spanish teacher Doris, they managed to write

the cards in Spanish. William, Katie and Olivia were invited to attend the Refugee Services' official welcome evening on behalf of all of the Vinnies. The Colombian families were welcomed by the Hon. Winnie Laban, Her Worship Jenny Brash, Parliamentary MP Hekia Parata and others in the community. The families were so grateful for the rugs and were visibly touched by the Vinnies' ability to speak in Spanish. This was a wonderful effort by the St. Theresa's Vinnies to help others in our community and in keeping with Mother Teresa's words: **'In this world we cannot do great things, only small things with great love'.**



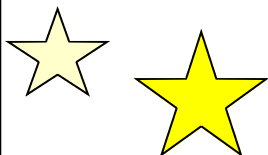
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**Room 2's
Class Liturgy was a real family affair! A big thank you to all those who attended.**

Class of the Week - Room 1

Our favourite topic at school in Room 1 is Writing. We LOVE to write! We write a new story every day and each day of the week we write in a different style. Our Monday writing topic is Diary Writing ... this is the day where we share our feelings and ideas about all sorts of subjects. This week we wrote about a time when we have felt nervous or scared! On Tuesdays we write about a book Mrs. Kidd has read to us or a video clip we have watched or a Big Book we have shared. On Thursdays we focus on Genre Writing. Last term our genre was poetry and this term we are learning to write a persuasive argument - stating our own opinion on a subject and backing our ideas up with reasons why we think our opinion is correct. Thursdays are our favourite writing day of the whole week. On Thursdays we do lots of fun activities and then write about what we have done. Some of the fun things we have done include cooking, making a bookworm and a newspaper challenge. Our writing is getting much better and the best part is that EVERYONE is excited about Writing every single day of the week!



Entertainment Books (You know the drill!)

Absolute final call for **School Photograph** money to be handed in to the Office by Friday (tomorrow) afternoon. Thereafter it will be your responsibility to order and pay.

"The man who moved a mountain is the one who started taking away the small stones."

Kids of the Week - 30th April, 2010

Niamh Brown

Sam Meo

Olivia Ludgate

Aidan Dodds

Congratulations and well done!

There are still some gaps in the request for support for Katharina and her family, in the form of meals and baking. We will be making a delivery on Friday during the morning, so if you would like to offer something, please call Gina at the Office and let her know. There will be another opportunity later on in the term. Thank you to those families who have already indicated their support.

Prayer Roster for Katharina

Next week's roster is as follows:

Monday, 10th May	Liz & David Wootton
Tuesday, 11th May	Michelle Barber & Family
Wednesday, 12th May	Gals at SHC
Thursday, 13th May	Janet & the McCleans
Friday, 14th May	St. Theresa's School Assembly
Saturday, 15th May	Mass & Fiona

Please continue with your prayers.



HURRICANES TICKETS

Don't forget to collect your tickets. Any unclaimed ones will be reallocated on Friday to those families who are already part of the competition. If you want more tickets, see Gina after school on Friday as the unclaimed tickets will be handed out on a 'first come, first serve' basis.

This is a BIG, BIG game for the team, so let's show our support by wearing yellow and black on the night and bring along your loudest voices. Gooooooo Hurricanes!!

It's Party Time!

Fr. Bill (believe it or not!) is turning 50 - yes, 50!!!!

To celebrate this milestone, you are all invited to join with your fellow parishioners in the Parish Hall at 7pm on Saturday 8 May. Bring along some refreshments and nibbles for shared supper.



Housekeeping

Parent Contact Details

Please remember to update all your contact details as it is imperative that we are able to contact you when necessary.

Lost Property

The container is virtually overflowing once again - please make sure that nothing in there belongs to your child.

Treats for the staff

Thank you to those parents who supply us with yummy treats for morning tea. Very much appreciated by all of us.

