



He Kupu nā te Tumuaki (Note from the Acting Principal)

Ngā mihi ki a koutou katoa it tenei wiki o te reo Māori! (Greetings to you all in Maori Language Week!)

Congratulations Ange Reiher and all the Vinnies for being recognized at Parliament last week for the hard work they do in the community, particularly with the Rest Homes. St. Francis Xavier has had a relationship with LongView Rest Home for over 3 years now. It's wonderful that this work in the community is being recognized at a Parliamentary level.

Congratulations to Andrew and Amy Sarniak-Thomson on the birth of their second little daughter and sister to Ana. Therese Marie was born on Wednesday. We know she will be a blessing to their whole family.

If you would like your child/ren to participate in the Seasons For Growth Programme please see either Gina or me by tomorrow.

Thank you to the Disco Organising Committee - the children are looking forward to a fun evening.

Kia tau te rangimārie ki a tātou katoa *Deborah Norris*



Seasons For Growth

If you think your child will benefit from this programme or you simply want more information, please contact Deb Norris or pick up a brochure from the office.

Dancesplash and Artsplash

Tickets are now on sale from the school office for the evening performances at the Michael Fowler Centre.

Dancesplash.

Price \$ 4 Monday 16th August **5.30p.m.**

Tickets limited to 4 per family.

Artsplash:

Price \$ 4 Tuesday 17th August **5.30p.m.**

Tickets limited to 2 tickets per family.

Congratulations!

Last week at Parliament, Arts Access, Aotearoa awarded the St Francis Xavier Vinnies and Longview Rest Home the 'Community Partnership Award' for their contribution to the community. This National organization annually celebrates the outstanding achievements of a talented artist, individuals and organizations providing artistic opportunities to people with limited access. The Judges commented on a 'mutually beneficial partnership, that inspires intergenerational connections'.

This award acknowledges all the contributions the Vinnies have made to rest home residents. Congratulations to the St. Theresa's Vinnies for all the generous work they do at the Whitby Rest Home. This award will be shown at assembly on Friday.

Powhiri and Welcome Mass

Thursday, 5th August at 9 a.m.

We will be welcoming our new families with a powhiri, a Welcome Mass and morning tea in the Hall. Everybody is warmly welcome to attend.

Term 3

Dates for your Diary

- July 30th: **Assembly - 9a.m.**
- July 30th: **School Disco**
- Aug. 3rd: **Powhiri & Welcome Mass**
- Aug. 4th: **P&F Mtg 7.30pm Staffroom**
- Aug. 11th: **BoT Mtg. 6 p.m. Staffroom**
- Aug. 16th: **Dancesplash**
- Aug. 17th: **Artsplash 5.30pm MFC**
- Sept. 24th: **End of Term 3**

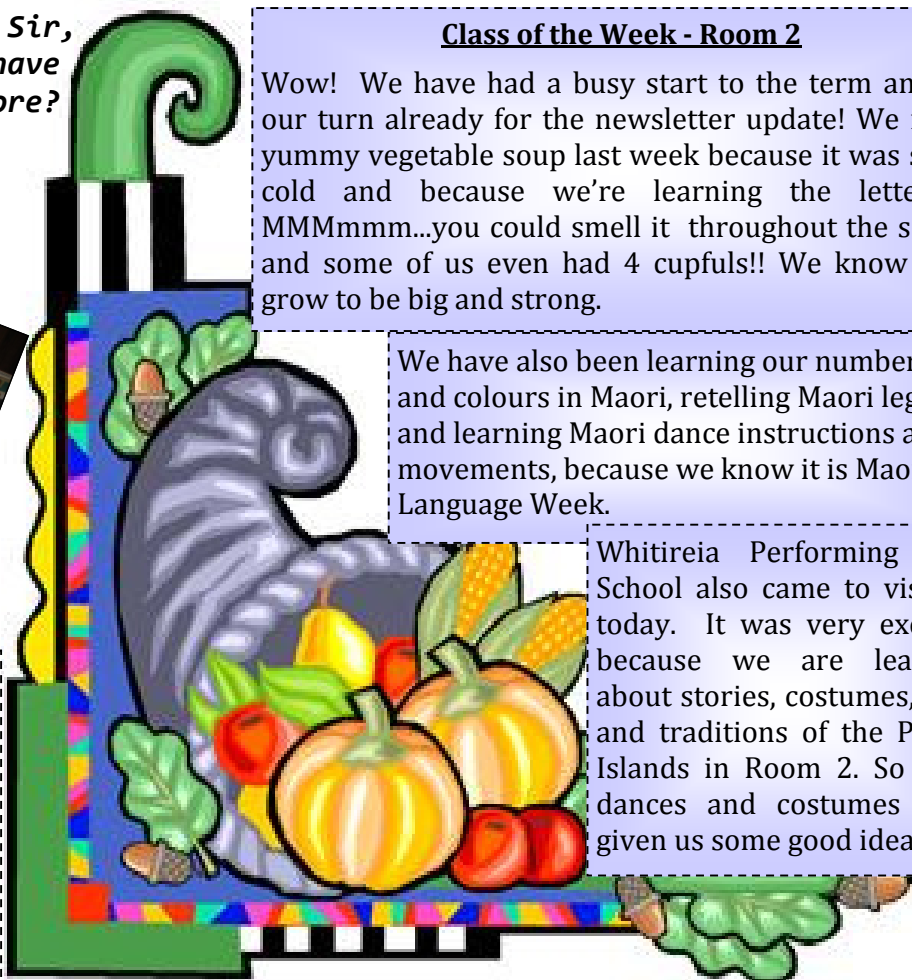
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can I have
some more?

Class of the Week - Room 2

Wow! We have had a busy start to the term and it's our turn already for the newsletter update! We made yummy vegetable soup last week because it was so, so cold and because we're learning the letter V. MMMmmm...you could smell it throughout the school and some of us even had 4 cupfuls!! We know we'll grow to be big and strong.

We have also been learning our numbers and colours in Maori, retelling Maori legends and learning Maori dance instructions and movements, because we know it is Maori Language Week.

Whitireia Performing Arts School also came to visit us today. It was very exciting because we are learning about stories, costumes, food and traditions of the Pacific Islands in Room 2. So their dances and costumes have given us some good ideas.



Congratulations to **Joshua Plowman** in Room 8 for his fantastic achievement in gymnastics - First overall in the Men's Level 3 Wellington Open Championships. Well done, Josh!



St. Theresa's Sport - Netball

Players of the Day for 24/7/2010:

Saints - Christina Burrell

Angels - Olivia Wiffen

Well done and congratulations.

EVERYTHING you need to know about the DISCO!

Friday, 30th July in the Parish Hall

New Entrants - Year 3 5p.m. - 6.30p.m.

Year 4 - 6 7p.m. - 8.30p.m.

- Your \$5 entrance fee gets you a sausage, a cookie and a glow product. Extras, as well as drinks, will be available to purchase on the night.
- All children need to be signed in by an adult when they are dropped off and signed out when they are picked up.
- Any younger siblings are welcome to join in the fun but need to be accompanied by a parent.

This is NOT a fundraiser. It is a fun evening organized for our children, their siblings and their parents who are most welcome to come along and stay for a cup of tea or coffee and whatever else is on offer. See you there!

Wall to wall good times - for sure!

Pastoral Care - In Action!

Meals are required for a family of 5 (3Adults, 2 Children) for a substantial period of time starting on Monday, 2nd August. If you are able to help, please either ring Shona Hockings on 233-1113 or email her at shonahockings@gmail.com. Any amount of effort would be greatly appreciated.

Book Club Orders - It would be great if all orders were in by **Monday, 2nd August**. Please remember that if you are paying by cheque, you need to make it payable to **SCHOLASTIC BOOKS**. You can also pay by cash or on their form with your Credit Card.

Tamariki o te Wiki

23rd July, 2010

Nikolaos Churchill

Rukshana Isaako

Claudia Mitchell

Ka Mau te Wehi!

(Awesome)

