



St. Theresa's School

Thursday
9 September, 2010

Note from the Acting Principal

As many families in our school community already know, one of our students, Ruby Penney, is very ill in hospital. Her parents, Rachel and Darron and brother Sam are very grateful for all the support they have been receiving. They wish to convey their heartfelt thanks for the prayers, the food, the texts and all the love and support they are receiving. There is a request from them for no hospital visitors at present. As a school we are assembling each morning to pray a decade of the Rosary together. Please join us if you can. Our prayers are for Ruby and her family, for Mrs. Dobson and all the doctors, nurses and medical staff who are caring for them. Ruby loves looking at the pictures and cards she has from her friends. If you would like to show your love and support for Ruby and her family there is a 'Treasure Chest' outside the office for you to drop in cards or letters. I know there are a lot of children who have already been busy making her cards and of course the very best thing we can do is to keep praying for Ruby, Mrs. Dobson and the medical teams.

Coming home with your child today is a brochure published by the Ministry of Education with some examples of work and skills your child is learning at school in reading, writing and maths. In written reports and interviews during the year your child's teacher would have discussed some ways you can support their learning at home. This brochure has some good information and ideas in it that I hope you find helpful. We will send out the next year level brochure with your child at the beginning of next year.

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

The question isn't who is going to let me; it's who is going to stop me. *Ayn Rand*

BISHOP VIARD COLLEGE

Accepting enrolments for 2011. Preference Enrolments due last day of this term. For an enrolment pack please contact Mrs. Sharon Johnson, Principal's Secretary, phone 2375248 ext 812.

Please Note:

We are now banking with the ASB. Our account number for any Internet payments or Automatic Payments is:

12 3254 0109325 00

If you have an AP set up, please make sure you change the details.

Pastoral Care Request

Meals and/or baking would be greatly appreciated over the next couple of weeks and without meaning to sound ungrateful or prescriptive, here are some suggestions: Casseroles with veggies, curries, one pot wonders, bacon and egg pie, quiches with veggies, any kind of comfort food. Please put any contributions in ice-cream containers so there is no stress regarding the return of dishes/containers, etc. If meals could be freezable too, that would be awesome. Thanks so much to everyone who has already made a contribution. Please call Shona Hockings on 233-1113 or 0211451725 or email shonahockings@gmail.com.

Diary Dates For Term 4

OCTOBER

- Mon. 11th: School starts
- Wed. 20th: Mufti fundraiser day for stationery for Leauva'a School, Samoa
- Fri. 22nd: Teachers Only Day
- Mon. 25th: Labour Day
- Wed. 27th: Powhiri and Welcoming Mass
- Sun. 31st: Whole School Mass

NOVEMBER

- 8th - 12th: Arts Intensive week
- 15th - 19th: Year 6s on camp

DECEMBER

- Tues. 14th: Prize giving
- Thurs. 16th: Leavers' Mass and last day of the school year.

Please note that there are a number of other dates yet to be finalized so keep updating your calendar as we add them.

Parents & Friends

The next major fundraiser for the school is being held on Thursday, 4 November. It's "an evening of stylish motivation" with Lisa O'Neill. Lisa is a well known stylist and guest speaker. She educates and inspires women to love the way they look and how to look the way they want! It will be a fun, informative and informal evening. The event is being held at the Plimmerton Boating club. More details to follow. Tickets will be available for sale soon, so get a group of friends together and come along to this fun filled evening.



Whanaungatanga is a sense of belonging for children, their parents and the staff – a sense of family / whanau. It is our whole community being together in prayer for Ruby who is sick in hospital.

Last week's lucky Whanaungatanga Value Award winner at Assembly was **Sam Meo** for quiet work habits that enabled his classmates to get on with their work. Well done, Sam!

First Eucharist

This programme will begin with a Parent Only Evening on **Sunday 17th October at 7p.m. in the Parish Hall**. Please ensure that this date is in your calendar now.

A reminder to all families that Eucharist is celebrated on Saturday evenings at 6p.m. and on Sunday mornings at 9.30a.m. We have a team who dedicate their time to Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sunday mornings.

Fr. Bill

Vinnies' Samoa Report

We have received some class photos from Leauva'a School and we have sent them some photos of St. Theresa's. The Stationery Market Day will be in Term 4 on **Wednesday, 20th October**. The St. Vincent de Paul Society will support the Vinnies by matching what the school raises! Mark this in your calendar so that you can help us help Samoa!

House Captains' Report

On Friday, the whole school went to a Ghanayan drumming show. There were a lot of drums and singing. Some of the school got up and danced to the drums. The Africans, called Daido and Sammy performed a drumming concert. At the end, the whole school got a go on the drums.

Reporters: **Hannah, Katie and Sophie**



BRING AND BUY DAY

Thursday, 23rd September
Sausage sizzle, drinks and ice blocks orders

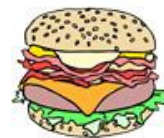
Please get your orders in by next Friday, **17th September**. One order per family please.

Lost Property

Could parents please check their girls' cardigans - Emma Carlson is missing two!

REMIX REMINDER

If you haven't heard from your team regarding what to bring on Friday, 17th Sept. please call the person at the top of your phone tree. Great team co-ordination will enable you to make a great hamburger for our Master Chef contest. See you all on Friday, 17th with our ingredients. Visit the Parish website for more details - www.plimmertoncatholic.org.nz. **REMIX Youth Group** is for children in Years 5 - 9. All are welcome to come along.



Summer Uniform

The wearing of our summer school uniform starts in Term 4. However, there is a glide time of two weeks when, depending on the weather, children may choose to wear either winter or summer uniform.

FULL SUMMER UNIFORM is expected from **TUESDAY, 26th October** (after Labour Weekend). Sandals are to be worn without socks. Please see the Website for full summer uniform requirements. Please contact Jenny Holzer if you need to order any items. 233-1977 or 021-02301372 or text.

IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT SUMMER FOOTWEAR

Please ensure that the sandals you buy meet the uniform requirements.

- PLAIN leather (or leather look alike)
- ALL BLACK (no other colours, trims, edgings or decorations)
- Ankle and back strap (no slip-ons)
- Photos show two examples of what is acceptable. There are many brands of sandals like these ones.

If children wear incorrect footwear, they will be asked to remove them and parents will be asked to replace them.



St. Theresa's Soccer Results

Players of the Day

Bold Booters

Jacob Reiher

Solid Socceroo

Grace Clueard

Slick Shooters

Kody Clueard

Great Goalers

Liam Tooman

Congratulations and very well done!

At the Netball Prizegiving, the following children received awards:

Saints

Most Improved

Brenda Luong

Most Valuable

Kody Clueard

Angels

Most Improved

Elise Beazley

Most Valuable

Clare Stubbs

Well done to these players and to absolutely everyone who participated! Thanks to all those involved in any way, in this season's games.



Kids of the Week

3rd September, 2010

Caitlin O'Donnell

Hannah Aunoa

Clare Stubbs

Faith Ward

Please check our **Community Notice Board** - Summer Soccer for girls, exercise classes and much, much more!