



Kia Ora Tatou!

Thanks to all those who attended the Information Evening on Tuesday and the welcoming ceremonies yesterday. It's very exciting to welcome so many wonderful new children and families into the community.

To follow up from the Information Evening:

- Health Education priority 2010 - the majority of parents indicated the desire for social emotional/relationship education.
- Please fill out and return Report Survey to the office by 19th February.
- All parents helping in classrooms on a regular basis are asked to complete a Code of Conduct agreement to safeguard themselves and the children.
- Remember to sign in the Visitors Book if you are in the school (except for the beginning and end of the day). This is a Health and Safety requirement.  
Kia tau te rangimarie ki a tātou katoa

*Lita Smith*

**Respect**

Respect is feeling good about myself.  
Respect is knowing I am unique and valuable.  
Respect is knowing others are valuable too.



**Marian Mothers** - An invitation to all Mothers and Care-givers

Marian Mothers is a volunteer-based group who meet to discuss, pray and learn about a different topic each month. (Last Tuesday of each month) For venue details or any other questions, please ring Mandy on 239-8499.



**Thank You Parent Helpers - Beach Picnic**

*We have plenty of helpers - thank you very much! See you tomorrow 11am with your bucket and spade - and togs at the ready!*



### News from St. Theresa's Parish

**First Reconciliation:** This Friday, 12th February, is the last day for parents to enrol their children in the Sacramental Programme. Next week's newsletter will give details of the timetable and more information.

**Parish Picnic:** We are gathering at QE2 Park (MacKay's Crossing entrance) on Sunday, 21st February from 11 a.m. onwards. We are Site 1 - down at the beach end. Cost \$1 per person. This is an exciting event and we invite all families to come along and enjoy the day.

**REMIX:** Our first event is to support St. Theresa's Parish Picnic. See you all there.



Check out the website [www.st-theresas.school.nz](http://www.st-theresas.school.nz) if you missed the Information Evening  
Parent Forum password is *lisieux*

All children should wear their PE gear to school on Friday - regardless of whether the beach Picnic is postponed.

**EVERYBODY IN PE GEAR ON FRIDAY - REGARDLESS!**



### **3 way interviews - Child/Parent/Teacher**

Tuesday, 16th March 2.30 - 7.30 p.m.

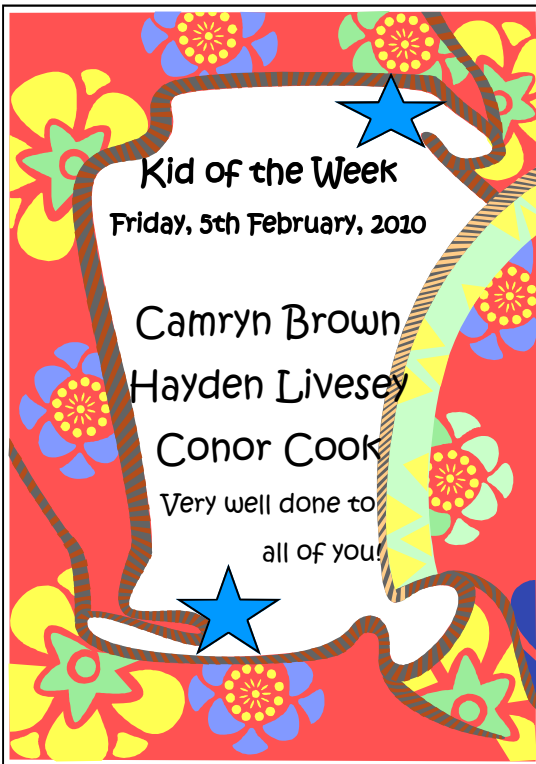
Thursday, 18th March 2.30 - 5.15 p.m.

15 minutes per interview. Please call Gina to make your appointment. We expect every family to schedule an interview.

Please make other arrangements for your pre-schoolers. To have younger siblings distracting the interview process is unfair to all, especially the school child for who the interview is being held.



Our new families were warmly welcomed yesterday.



**Small Whites - Summer Soccer**

Paul Rudkin (father of Harry in Room 6) has offered to coach soccer for children aged 4 - 8 on a Saturday morning during Term 1.

Starting **THIS** Saturday, 13th Feb and finishing on Saturday, 20th March (6 sessions), the cost will be \$3 per session per child and all money received will be donated to our school.

Session 1 (4 - 6 year olds) 9 - 10 a.m.

Session 2 (7 - 8 year olds) 10 - 11 a.m.

To register your interest, please email Paul at paul.rudkin@telecom.co.nz

Thank you Paul, for your generous offer of time and energy!



**ASSEMBLY AT 9 A.M. TOMORROW**

**Board of Trustees Elections** will take place on 7th May, this year. Nomination forms will be sent out in due course. We need parents who are committed "to the big picture" - to supporting the holistic education of all the children of St. Theresa's. Please consider being nominated.

*Please see the separate flyer for all the Carnival details.*



**Community Notice Board**

The notice board in Reception (just on the right before going through the passage door) is for community notices. Please have a read of what's available. Any notices that go up on that board need to come through the Office first.

The other notice board is for school-related and church notices only.

Scholastic Book Club Orders in by tomorrow (Friday, 12th Feb.) please.



We begin the season of LENT next Wednesday with Mass at 9.30am in the Church.

**DIARY TERM 1, 2010**

**FEBRUARY:**

- Fri. 12th** Assembly 9am  
Beach Picnic, Plimmerton 11am
- Wed. 17th** Ash Wednesday Mass in Church 9.30am
- Fri. 19th** Postponement date for Beach Picnic
- Sun. 21st** Parish Picnic - Queen Elizabeth Park 11am

**MARCH:**

- Mon. 1st** Parents & Friends Meeting in Staffroom 7.30pm
- Tues. 9th** Junior Swimming Sports 11am - 12.30pm
- Wed. 10th** BOT Meeting in Staffroom 7pm
- Thurs. 11th** Senior Swimming Sports 10.30am - 12.30pm
- Tues. 16th** School Photos  
3 Way Interviews
- Thurs. 18th** 3 Way Interviews  
Bishop Viard Sports Day - Years 5 & 6 only
- Fri. 19th** Postponement day for Bishop Viard Sports Day
- Thurs 25th** **NO SCHOOL IN AFTERNOON** Teachers attend NZEI Meeting 1.30-3.30pm
- Sat. 27th** **SCHOOL CARNIVAL!**

**APRIL:**

- Thurs. 1st** Holy Week Ceremony
- Thurs. 1st** Last Day Term 1

**Class of the Week - Room 1**

What a great start to the year we have had in our new classroom. It has been 'Popcorn Week' in Room One this week! We have had so much fun ... popcorn reading, popcorn writing, popcorn making and even popcorn maths. Mrs Kidd filled a jar with popcorn kernels and all week we have been guessing how many popcorn kernels are in the jar. At the end of the week we will all work together to count them and the person who guesses the closest wins the jar of popcorn. We're really looking forward to the Beach Picnic tomorrow and have been praying for fine weather in our prayers this week. See you all there!

