



# St. Theresa's Catholic School

*"To live, learn and love with Jesus, being the best we can be"*

Thursday,  
12th February,  
2015.

## Principal's Report

Tena koutou katoa. A kia noho te Ariki ki a koutou.

We warmly welcome the new students who have started in the last fortnight: Ruby-Rose Dennison, daughter of Kristy and Jason; Francesca Dale-Low, daughter of Lisa and Tony and sister of Charlie; Isabella Ringrose, daughter of Toni and Craig; Ryder Hodge, son of Sara and Brendan; Flynn Porteners, son of Arlenna and Stephen and brother of Marika; Rose Franklin, daughter of Syd and Malcolm and sister of Luke and Kezia; and Kieran Dunlop-Brown, son of Kielely and Andrew and brother of Liam. We hope your association with St Theresa's is happy and fruitful.

These families will all be welcomed at the **powhiri and Welcome Mass on Wed., 25th February at 9.a.m.** Please join us for this.

This weekend's Gospel: just as Jesus saw goodness in the leper and healed him, so we are called to see Jesus in ourselves. All too often, we see only our failings, where Jesus sees our goodness. May we, like the leper, look to Jesus to heal us, particularly as we approach the beginning of Lent.

Please note our school community get together coming up on Wednesday, 25th February. This is an opportunity for you to meet your child's classroom teacher and socialise with other school families. See you there!

Please pray for a sunny Beach Picnic tomorrow. If you are coming along, please let your child's teacher know if you can help with supervision for the walk or swim.

God Bless, *Fita Smith, Principal*



## Helping Students Learn

We are looking for 3 parents to support student learning through a literacy programme called STEPS for one of the above times per week. You will have training and be working with another parent.

Between 9-10.30am  
Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday

Please contact Deborah Norris or email her [deborah-norris@st-theresas.school.nz](mailto:deborah-norris@st-theresas.school.nz)

Thank you!

## Catholic Character

### GOSPEL FOR THIS WEEKEND

**Mark 1: 40-45**

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down, begged Him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Jesus said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean."



### ASH WEDNESDAY

**NEXT WEEK**

**18th FEBRUARY 9.30am**

Join the school and parish in the Church for an Ash Wednesday liturgy to mark the start of the season of Lent.



### NEEDED: A Social Co-ordinator

We are looking for someone to co-ordinate the school's social events (e.g. morning teas after the powhiri, the Hot Cross Buns morning tea, School/Parish Sunday Mass morning teas). You will have lots of support! Email Nicole Lynch [nicolelynch@xtra.co.nz](mailto:nicolelynch@xtra.co.nz).



### BEING TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY WEDNESDAY, 25 FEBRUARY YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS!

4.45pm: Welcome outside Room 8

5pm, 5.15pm and 5.30pm: Classroom meetings with the teacher in each classroom and/or the Library with Sarah Hunt, our Librarian. Repeated 3 times.

5.45 - 6.30pm: Informal social time to get to know new teachers, new families, play games, eat and have fun!

Sausage sizzle from 5pm. Games run by school leaders.



This computer programme licence is being offered to parents who want their children to continue to use it this year. The cost is \$30 per student (instead of the normal \$100). If you are unsure as to whether it will suit your child, please talk to their teacher.

### Parents & Friends Meeting

**Thursday  
19th Feb at  
7.30pm**

Staffroom  
Everyone is welcome!

## Uniform fittings

for this term:  
Friday, 20th February & Friday, 20th March  
These are booked in 10 minute slots starting at 2p.m.  
so please call the School Office if you want to book a  
time. You can contact the supplier directly on 9720682 if  
you already know what you want.

Have you registered to HELP at the CARNIVAL?

Go to this link now!

<http://www.st-theresas.school.nz/555/forms/38-carnival-helpers/submissions/new>

Thanks to the 25 new helpers who have registered in the last 48 hours!



Liam Dunlop-Brown and Kaleb Aunoa holding their finalist ribbons from the Colgate Games held in January at Newtown Park. Jena Taylor also participated and did very well too. Congrats, children!



## SCHOOL PHOTOS - TUESDAY, 24th FEBRUARY

Easy online ordering! ALL students will be photographed on the day and you will receive a personalized order envelope featuring the photo of your child. You only need an envelope (available from the Office) if you want a family group photo taken. More details next week.



A morning with poet Sam Hunt was exciting for Year 6 students Angelina, Isaac, Toby and Tobias.

**MONEY MATTERS:** ACCOUNTS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR HAVE BEEN SENT OUT. IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS REGARDING PAYMENT. PLEASE MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO SEE ZITA. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT WE DON'T KNOW!

**Beach Picnic TOMORROW! Please join us. See our website for details (in School Notices).**

Everyone in Rooms 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 should have a large journal bag for school notices, etc. If your child doesn't already have one, they are available in a range of colours from the office for \$4.

Are you missing a large white platter (probably left after the Y6 supper)? If not claimed in the next week, it will be going to the Carnival!

## Class of the Week - Room 10

Over the last week Room 10 have been learning about how to be a leader. We have been using the word HERO to help us. It stands for:

- Helper
- Encourager
- Role model
- Organiser



We have learnt about the different kinds of leaders that you can be and that everybody can be one. We have made some Schoolyard Superheroes in our class. Come and have a look at them. We look forward to leading and working with all the younger students during this year.

We have also been learning about Waitangi Day and why and how we celebrate it. We have been thinking about how we can protect, participate and work in partnership to keep the Maori culture and language alive as well as celebrating the diversity of all the people who have made New Zealand their home.

It's been a very busy week.

The Treaty of Waitangi

Te Tiriti O Waitangi

Reporters: Tayla Murphy & Jessica Deed



All Summer issued library books need to be returned as soon as possible please. We hope you enjoyed some time with your nose in a book!



## First Reconciliation

This programme begins with a Parent Only evening at 7pm in the Parish Hall on Sunday, 22nd February. Names of children aged 8+ years need to be given to Annemaree Deed (234-1641). This Sacrament will be celebrated at 5pm on Palm Sunday evening, 29th March.

Fr. Bill is away in Rome. He is attending the ceremony where Archbishop John becomes a Cardinal. Fr. Bill will share his experience at Mass, on his return.

