



# St. Theresa's Catholic School

Thursday,  
7th May

2015

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

## Principal's Report

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

First of all, a big thank you for your attendance at our community Eucharistic celebration on Sunday. It was wonderful to have such a big crowd. Thank you for your contribution to the morning tea and to Amanda Latimer and her team for your fantastic organisation and service. I was especially delighted to see so many of our "old boys and girls" contributing to the Mass by reading Scripture, singing, playing in the band and serving on the altar. They are continuing to use the leadership skills they began to develop during their time at St Theresa's and we are very proud of them!

This weekend's Gospel reminds us that we have chosen by God. We often think we are the ones who do the choosing, but once we realize that God has called each of us by name, we start to get a sense that God values and loves us as we are. Our responsibility is simply to respond.

Remember the Powhiri and Mass of Welcome next week at 9am on Wednesday, 13th May. It is always wonderful to see parents offering welcome and hospitality to the new children and their families and it shows them what's in store for them in this community!

Remember that I have an open door policy. If you have any sort of school related issue that you think I need to know about or could help with, I encourage you to come and talk to me about it.



God Bless, *Zita Smith, Principal*

## Catholic Character

### THIS WEEKEND'S GOSPEL

You did not choose me  
but I chose you  
and appointed you  
so that you might go  
and bear fruit  
fruit that will last  
and so that whatever  
you ask in my name  
the Father will give you.

John 15:16 NIV



## POWHIRI

### MORNING TEA

It is the turn of Rms 6  
& 7 to provide  
morning tea for the  
powhiri/Mass of  
Welcome. Please take  
to the Hall before  
school.



St Theresa's Parish  
Plimmerton  
Jubilee



Please see the flyer for  
registration and details  
of the whole event.

## St. Vincent de Paul support....

The container is still in the foyer! Thank you for your generosity.

The goods will be handed over to the Vinnies towards the end of next week so you still have time to contribute. Even just one item per family will make a huge difference.



## HELP NEEDED AT SCHOOL

Are you free **every Tuesday morning from 9 -10.30am** to assist with our literacy STEPS programme? You will work with 1 child at a time with full support and training.

Please contact Deborah Norris if you would like to find more about this. We very much appreciate our volunteer parents who contribute so much to children's learning.



## School Production: September 2015 VENUE: HEADS UP

Disappointingly, we have just been informed that Aotea College Auditorium is not available for our school production due to renovations. We have booked SOUTHWARDS THEATRE on the Kapiti Coast. We realise this means further to travel but the considerations of as much seating as possible to allow extended family to attend, and our students to have the best experience possible of staging a production meant that this is the best choice.

# Junior Cross Country

Rooms 1, 2, 3, and 4

When? Friday, 22nd May  
Where? School Field  
Time? 1:45pm

All children will be participating in this event in year groups. The cross country running will be followed by a presentation of certificates for all participants and place getters. You are welcome to take your children home after the certificate presentation.

Postponement date: Friday, 29th May with all other details exactly the same!



## Sparks of God - Week 2 Term 2, 2015

Back: Cory Lovell, Te Ao Marama Royal, Toby Carter, Leon Bremford

Front: Jacob Beuerlein, Hunter Tomlinson, Hannah Greenham, Harrison Croasdale, Alfie Croasdale

## Class of the Week - Room 10



Room 10 have been doing some Science learning in class this week. We experienced how to make exploding lunch bags. It was hilarious to watch. We used vinegar, tissue, baking soda, plastic bags and warm water. It was a big learning experience and we did some other science stuff such as observing a candle for 10 minutes and jotting down our observations. Today we had a visit from 3 water specialists, Mr. Mzila (Joshua's Dad), Dave and Alex. We learned new things about the water cycle and how scientists measure precipitation and wind to make predictions about the weather.

Reporters: **Joseph Simcock & Owen Pieries**



# HOUSEKEEPING

\* **Uniform fittings:** 29th May & 19th June

\* **Entertainment Books:** Available from the office (\$60) or online [www.entbook.co.nz/105w585](http://www.entbook.co.nz/105w585)

\* **Scholastic Book Club orders** - Orders to be in by no later than next Wednesday, 13th May. You can order online yourself, if that suits you - details on the order form.

## Sports Results

### Unihoc:

Stars had a draw in Week 2 and a loss in Week 3. PoD last week was **Euan Watkins** and this week, **Belle Croasdale**.

Rockets beat St Pius Strikers.

Their PoD was **Cruz King-Tararo**, for scoring the team's first goal and for consistent effort.

Thunderbirds unfortunately lost 0-2.

Riley Hockings was the PoD.

Saints had a nil all draw.

Russell Ngan was the PoD.

### Netball:

Angels lost (13 - 15) as did the Stars (2 - 11).

PoD were **Angelina Hutchins & Laina Sola** respectively.



*Happy Mothers' Day  
to all the Mums in our  
school community as well  
as those women who fulfil  
this role for others. May  
God richly bless you.*

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