



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

Principal's Note

Hello, Kia Ora, Talofa lava, Namaste, Mabuhay, Ciao, Kia Orana, Ahalan, Konnichiwa, Ni hao, Selam, Xin chao, Bonjour, Bula, Dzień/Dobry, Nee how, Shalom, Dia duit, Mauri, Halo, Bom dia, Giddyay, Malo ni

Yesterday was our first Powhiri and Mass of Welcome for 2017. It was a reminder of all that we have to be grateful for and an opportunity for our School community to display our values of manaakitanga and whanaungatanga. These celebrations strengthen our links between home, School, Parish and the wider community. Our thanks go to all the people who so generously gave of their time and talents to help with the organisation. Thank you also to Fr. Alan for celebrating the Mass for us and we continue to pray for Fr. Maurice's speedy return to full health.

Our 3 way interviews were well attended and I have had very positive feedback from staff, parents and students about the value of sharing our learning goals. The children are becoming very skilful at identifying and articulating what they need to be working on and what helps them with their learning; these are all traits of a Growth Mindset. If you were unable to attend on either of our nights, please contact your child's class teacher and arrange a suitable time to meet.

Next term we will be running consultation evenings for our Maori and Pasifika students. We would like to hear your thoughts on your aspirations for your children and how we can help support their learning. We are also planning for our Matariki celebrations in June and will be collaborating on ideas for this. Dates will come out before the end of term.

The excitement around Carnival has definitely stepped up a few notches and the School is buzzing with the preparations. We are thinking positively about the weather and planning for a beautiful, sunny day in Plimmerton.

Happy St. Patrick's Day to you all for tomorrow.

Enjoy your celebrations and have a wonderful weekend.



"The hallmark of successful individuals is that they love learning, they seek challenges, they value effort and they persist in the face of obstacles." - Carol Dweck

Whai i te wiki nui

Donna McDonald - Principal



This Sunday's Gospel:

3rd Sunday in Lent

In the climate of Israel, water is a very valuable resource, not readily available to everyone. In this Sunday's Gospel, we find Jesus using the image of water, a resource necessary for survival, to describe himself. Jesus and the Samaritan woman had a lengthy discussion about water. We are baptized with water. Lent is a time when we remember what Baptism means.



We also try harder to live as followers of Jesus.



HAVE LESS, BE MORE.

**Sacramental Programme
2017**

For all enquiries, contact
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027 3208511.

NZSL - SIGN OF THE WEEK

Every week at Assembly, Andre will be showing us how to sign the Sign of the Week.

CARNIVAL



HELP

Celine Ngan in Room 9 has lost her jersey. PLEASE check to see if your child mistakenly has it.

- * **Uniform Fittings THIS FRIDAY.** Appointments available from 2p.m. onwards. Please call Gina to book a time.
- * There is **NO REMIX** this month.
- * **Book Club Orders:** Please get these in by next Wednesday, 22nd March.

RAFFLE BOOKS Thanks to those families who have already sold their books! There are still more available from the Office or Michelle Cook - 027-2704490.

Sports Round Up Soccer & Flag Football

Thunderbirds lost 0 - 1. PoD **Flynn Croasdale**
Fair Play Award **Lachlan Maclean**

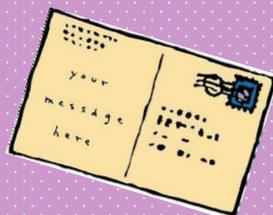
Stars won 1 - 0. PoD **Russell Ngan**

Rockets won 3 - 2. PoD: **Flynn Croasdale**
Fair Play Award: **Elijah Tia**

Lazers lost 0 - 2. PoD **Tristan Jeyathas**

Class of the Week - Room 7

In Room 7 we have been doing lots of art. We have created silhouettes and visual mihi. We have learnt our mihi that we will share with the class. For writing we have been describing ourselves and have written postcards for another class in New Zealand. We have been so busy.



Our Reporters:
Anton Bain,
Lila Ablett,
Elijah Tia,
Cassidy Meli
Maddie Maclean



SPARKS OF GOD - Week 5

Back: **William Haywood, Carter Lynch**

Front: **Ella Seque, Elijah Tia, Cerys Goodstadt-Brown, Georgia Carter, Mia Zvirzginas, Luke Kerr**

Year 5&6 Athletics

The following results are from our Athletics Day held at Grenada North Park last Thursday. These children will represent St. Theresa's at the Parumoana Interschool Competition that is being held later in the month. Huge thanks to Juan McDonald (Mr. Principal!) and Shaun who set up the course and helped us manage the event. Thanks also to Kylie Duncan, David McLaughlin, Ross Lynch and Michelle Cook who helped to run a station and/or transport children. We can't do this without you!

Year 5 Girls: 1st: **Courtney Tyrell,**
2nd: **Jade McLaughlin,** 3rd: **Amelie Carter**

Year 5 Boys: 1st: **Leo Hutchins,**
2nd: **Victor Ablett,** 3rd: **Max Lewer**

Year 6 Girls: 1st: **Celine Ngan,** 2nd: **Eden Todd,**
3rd: **Lily Richards**

Year 6 Boys:
1st: **Rauri Meo,** 2nd: **Richard Jones,**
3rd: **Cooper Mallon**



Back row: **Leo Hutchins, Rauri Meo,**
Courtney Tyrell, Eden Todd, Lily Richards,
Rich Jones

Front row: **Cooper Mallon, Victor Ablett,**
Amelie Carter, Jade McLaughlin, Celine
Ngan, Max Lewer