

Principal's Note

## St. Theresa's Catholic School

Thursday, 23rd March 2017

### "To live, learn and love with Jesus, being the best we can be $\ddot{}$

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

What a fantastic week this has been both in and out of school. I was very fortunate to be able to join the Senior School on their excursion into the city for their Capital E trip. As the photographs below show, it was fun for all! We were lucky with the weather and the children and adults experienced a range of very talented performing artists.



On Tuesday, Room 4 and I attended a Liturgy of the Word in the Church and our special thanks go to Lizzie Wootton for bringing The Word so vibrantly to our children. We are very fortunate to have such a strong connection to our Parish, with willing and capable people who continue to support Fr. Maurice in his recovery.

As you may be aware, we welcomed our new Kapa Haka tutor, Te Po, at our powhiri last week. Te Po will be working with the school every Tuesday morning and the children and staff are loving having a change of pace and style and I was very impressed with their focus and enthusiasm during this week's lessons.

Not long to go now until the much anticipated annual Carnival - actually only 3 more sleeps! We are all busily preparing the School for this special event and the children are very excited about being involved. We are all sending out positive weather vibes for a settled day. Thank you to Jocelyn at the Parish Office who has kindly opened up the unused offices so that we can use the space for storage.

It has been great to have an opportunity to spend some time with the pre-school children during the past couple of weeks. Some of those pre-schoolers are now 'big' school kids! We welcome **Samuel Zvirzdinas**,

brother of Mia and his parents, Andrew and Theresa and **Kobe Algar**, son of Michael and Tasi and brother of Brayden who finished here as a Year 6 student last year. We wish you many more happy years at St. Theresa's.

Have a fantastic weekend - see you all on Saturday!

Whai i te wiki nui

## Donna McDonald - Principal



"Lent is the favourable season for renewing our encounter with Christ, living in his word, in the Sacraments and in our neighbour". - Pope Francis

Sacramental Programme 2017 For all enquiries, contact Fiona Robertson on 027 3208511.



### This Sunday's Gospel:

### 4th Sunday in Lent

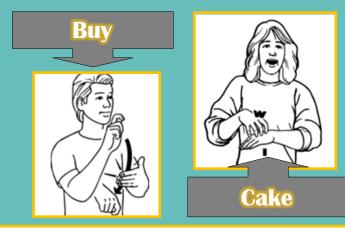
We see in the Gospel this Sunday how it was truly a great gift when Jesus healed the man's blindness. It was an even greater gift when Jesus revealed himself as the Son of Man, the Messiah. In Baptism, Jesus reveals Himself to us. We are called to be like the man in this Sunday's Gospel, accepting the gift from Jesus so that we may truly see Jesus as our Lord and worship Him.





## NZSL - SIGN OF THE WEEK

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



# **Silent Auction**

Please make sure you check out all the amazing goodies on offer and get your bid in. Even if you can't make it to School, you can still be in! Spread the word to friends and family too, please!

## **Sports Round Up Soccer & Flag Football**

Thunderbirds won 1 - 0. PoD Riley Hockings Fair Play: Elijah Tia

Raptors won 8 - 5. PoD Rauri Meo

Lazers drew 0 all. PoD Andre Hesp

Raptors lost. PoD Tom Davey (Score from last week)

**Pool Keys** All pool keys need to be returned by next Friday, 31st March to secure your bond refund.

## Class of the Week - Room 2

Last week we had swimming sports. We had four groups: Redwood, Chanel, Pompallier and Marcellin, We cheered for our friends and other children in our House groups. It was fun because we love swimming. We had lots of races to show off our new swimming skills. We were all winners.

Reporters: Izzy, Tristan, Emily and Andre







RAFFLE BOOKS PLEASE KEEP SELLING YOUR TICKETS - EVEN AFTER THE CARRIVALI CLOSING DATE IS 6779 APRIL, TO BE DRAWN 027777

### Any keen soccer players out there?

The Pukerua Bay 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Marlins are looking for another 1 or 2 Year 5 players to join their team. Practices would be 3.30 - 4.30 on a Tuesday at St Theresa's and games are every Saturday at various Wellington locations. If you are interested, please contact Libby libbyandhamish@yahoo.co.uk



#### **RKS OF** GOD - Week 6

- Back: Riley Seque, Toby Carter, Anna Curran, Nina Stevenson
- Front: Lily Wrenn, Willow Dunne, Chloe Smith, Max Ramm

Early on Sunday morning, a team of 22 kids from St. Theresa's made their way to Kilbirnie Park for the Weet-Bix TRYathlon. It was a morning of swimming, cycling and running. Biggest team ever for St. T's with 22 kids (over half of them first timers) involved

and just as many parents! Everyone gave it their best and pushed on to the finish line. Great determination and resilience was shown. There is lots of talk for next year's event already!



