St. Theresa's Catholic School

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

17th May, 2018

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

Iti rearea teitei kahikatea ka tea – Out of small things, great things can be achieved

Mother's Day was a great opportunity to be grateful for the many faces of motherhood. The saying 'it takes a village to raise a child' is so true and the women in our lives who assume the role of Mother are such an important part of that village. I hope you all celebrated in some way and enjoyed your special treasures the children made for you.

On Wednesday we celebrated International Support Staff Day. This is a chance for our teaching staff to thank our support staff for everything they do for the teachers and students here at St Theresa's. Our support staff received their very own Spark of God and a lovely morning tea. They even got their photo in the newsletter!

In June, we will be celebrating Matariki and we would love to have a hangi again this year. If you have ANY contacts that might be able to support us in any way with this, please email the school and we will follow up.

Last Thursday, Deborah Norris, Deb Neave, Nikki Vause and I attended the NZSL Deaf Aotearoa Awards. Although we didn't receive an award this time, it was wonderful to see and hear the impact our community has had on other schools and for the support offered those new to the deaf community.

Thank you to our amazing Parents & Friends group led by Jodie Hickey-Smith. They met last week and have a range of exciting fundraising opportunities planned for the rest of the year. This is a great group to be part of and I would recommend attending the next meeting.

This week is Bully-Free New Zealand Week and the Ministry of Education has released an interactive online storybook that aims to teach children about empathy, acceptance and tolerance. You can experience the book at www.oatthegoat.co.nz.

He hari, he pai te wiki. Whakapai te Atua,

Donna McDonald - Principal



The Family is the hope of the future. Let us pray especially for families facing serious difficulties: may Our Lord assist them. - *Pope Francis*

Pizza Fridays are back as well as your break from making lunches! Forms go out on a Monday and need to be back at the Office by Thursday morning. Only \$1.50 per slice. Camp 2018 fundraising initiative.



This week we are very happy to welcome along **Felix McMinn** and his parents, Brady and Brigid and **Esmée Hope** and her parents, Matthew and Jessica. Both these students are in Room 2 and we wish them everything of the best during their time at our wee School.

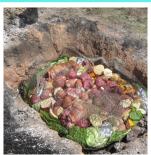
This Sunday's Gospel PENTECOST

Just as Jesus sent His disciples to forgive the sins of others, so too we are sent to bring reconciliation to the world by our willingness to forgive others and work to resolve conflicts. We have also been given the gift of the Holy Spirit to help us with this task.



Can you or anyone you know, help us with this please? As part of our Matariki celebrations on

Thursday, 21st June, we would like to once again, have a hangi laid down but we need help! Please let us know if this is something you yourself can do or if you know someone else who can.



Powhiri and Mass of Welcome for Term 2





Everyone is warmly welcome to come along and join in this celebration.

The families of children in Rooms 6 & 7 are supplying the morning tea.

See you all there!

Class of the Week - Room 1

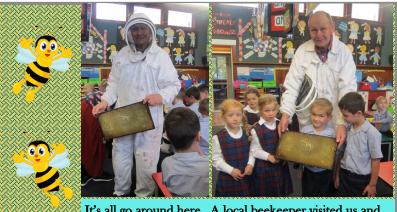
This week in Room 1, we visited Harold in the big Life Education truck. We learnt about feelings like happy, sad, stressed, annoyed and angry. We all got a puppet to use when we were in the truck to help us talk about feelings.

We learnt that our hearts beat really fast when we are angry. One thing we can do if we are feeling this way is to move away

from what is making us feel angry and do something that makes us feel happy. We love visiting Harold.

Reporters: Teuaine, Noah L, Noah P & Dylan





It's all go around here. A local beekeeper visited us and we also got to taste the lovely sweet honey.



Congratulations to all our Mothers' Day Raffle winners:

Naledi Tsheko-Rusbatch Nove Ah Kuoi Cassidy Meli Emily & Isabelle Aubrey Kerys Cuddihy

Alette Gibbons Ioshua Kerr

Emily Mallon

Here's hoping all our Mums had a fabulous day and were spoilt rotten!



What kind of table is good for you to eat?



A vegetable

Room 2's Crazy Creatures.

Aren't they amazing?

SPARKS OF GOD 2018 - T2, Week 2



Back: Sacha Baldwin, Anton Bain, Aden Abraham, *,
Mia Zvirzdinas, Stella Smith, Patrick Reiher,
Tom Rousell

Front: Hugo Stewart, Rose Franklin, Gabriella Staniforth

Dates for your calendar:

Uniform fittings for the term:

18/5, 8/6, 29/6

Wed., 23rd May: **Board meeting** - 6p.m. in the Staffroom

Thurs. 24th May: Powhiri 9a.m. followed by Mass of Welcome and morning tea

Sunday, 27th May: Whole School/Parish Mass at 9.30a.m.

Samoan Language Week Starts on Monday, 28th May Please continue to support BUSH SPROUTS at our local Z Petrol Station by ensuring that you put your 'Good in the Hood' token in the Nature School NZ box. Thanks!

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS If you don't intend buying a book this year, please return it to the box outside the Office. This is great value - make sure you have a look through the book. Available in hard copy or digitally. Thanks to everyone who has sold theirs and more!