



St. Theresa's Catholic School

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

7th June, 2018

Principal's Note

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, Giddyay,

Naku te rourou nau te rouro ka ora ai te iwi

With your basket and my basket the people will thrive

It's hard to believe it is already nearing the end of Week 6 and we are nearly halfway through the year. I hope you all enjoyed the bonus day over the long weekend, which gave us all an opportunity to recharge.

Following on from our fun School Cross Country, the Parents & Friends group are organising the sponsored Fun Run, which is a great initiative to support our School playground upgrade. All the information for this has been sent home, however if you're unsure of any details, please let us know.

The teachers are all currently writing reports which will go home with the children on Friday, 22nd June. Please look out for these and bring them along to the 3 way interviews on Monday, 25th and Tuesday, 26th June. Next week you will receive the link to the online booking system.

We still require helpers for our Matariki hangi on Thursday, 21st June. We need helpers to dig the pit in the morning at approximately 9.00a.m. and then again at approximately 5p.m. to help serve. The children will be supported by teachers to prepare the meat and vegetables during the morning. Please let us know if you can help out at all on the day.

A huge thank you to Apulu Mary Autagavaia, Tafaolali'i Tuna Talamaivao and Matthew Moresi for so generously sharing their time on Friday for our Samoan Language Week Assembly. Everyone enjoyed hearing (and seeing) the history and techniques behind traditional Samoan tattoo. Thank you to the Cultural Leaders for co-ordinating this for us. Also special thanks to Ina Todd who shared her gift of print making with Rooms 9 and 10 last week. The results are beautiful.

Don't forget the Book Fair in the Learning Hub this week and of course the famous Book Character Parade on Friday at Assembly.



**He hari, he pai te wiki. Whakapai te Atua,
Donna McDonald - Principal**



Lord, reawaken in us a sense of praise and gratitude for our Earth and for everything you have created. - Pope Francis

Please help! Does anyone have access to paper that the children can use for drawing and art? Do you know anyone in the printing business who might have offcuts? It can be big, small, cardboard, paper, unused letterhead, coloured, etc. We will use anything and everything and we would be very happy!

Board Talk from John Mallon, Chairperson - Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees had its first meeting for the year on 28th February. There have been some recent Board changes and we welcome Jenny Jermy to the Board. Jenny has been appointed by selection to replace Avril Ringrose, who stepped down at the end of Term 1. We thank Jenny for putting her name forward.

The Carnival was again hugely successful with \$30,000 raised for the 'Littly' playground upgrade. Thanks again to the Carnival management team for their hard work and giving up valuable time for the good of the School community.

The Board has commenced the Charter and Strategic Plan review process noted recently. This will set the course for the School over the next 3 - 4 years and is an important task. Part of the review will include consultation with the School community and we ask that you, our stakeholders, participate in this process and contribute your ideas on the future of your School.

We have just released the School's Annual Report for the year to 31 December, 2017 and this is available on the School's website.

Finally, the School received an excellent report from the recent Catholic Character review undertaken by the NZ Catholic Education Office. The review demonstrated the School's strong Catholic Character and the excellent work by our teachers. It also provided some recommendations on how we can continue to improve. I would encourage you all to take the time to read the Review document which is also available on our website.

Take care and God bless.

This Sunday's Gospel - 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's gospel, Jesus explains that those who choose to follow him become part of a new kind of family. As Christians, we are called to show love for God and one another in the same way we show love for the members of our family. We do not choose the family we are born into but we do choose to be part of Jesus' family.



Dental Clinic - on site from next week.

Parents & Friends meeting - TONIGHT
at 7p.m. in the Staffroom.
PLEASE COME ALONG!

Uniform fittings TOMORROW Need a fitting or to order? Please call Gina.

There is still time for you to register your interest in the **Seasons for Growth** programme. This is a successful education program companioning children through the process of grief and loss that affects our lives – small groups which focus on self-esteem, managing feelings, problem solving, support networks, etc. This will shortly be run here at School. If you would like any more information, please contact Mandy Keen mandr@slingshot.co.nz or your child's classroom teacher.



Help required for preparation of the hangi

We will need some parents to support the person who is laying the hangi for us. This support comes in the form of helping with digging the pit. This will begin at about 9.30a.m. so that the food can be in the ground by 10.30a.m. We will also need some assistance with pulling up the trays of food in the early evening, around 5.00 p.m. If you can help with either (or both!) of these tasks, please let Jo Beasley (Room 3) or Shona Hockings (Room 2) know. Many hands makes light work! Thank you in anticipation of your offer.



BOOK FAIR IS ON IN THE LEARNING HUB

Books available for viewing and ordering each morning and afternoon until next Wednesday. Book Character Parade TOMORROW! Come to school dressed in your favourite book character costume and join in the parade at Assembly. Please do not go to any extra expense - just use what you have at home.

Please mark this date in your calendar:

Thursday, 21st June from 5p.m.
Matariki Celebration

Please join us! As part of this event, we will also be having a hangi laid down and will be selling tickets to those intending to enjoy the meal. This is always a very memorable celebration and everyone is warmly invited to attend.



Class of the Week - Room 10

In Room 10, we have been working on carving. Ina, Sophia and Ethan's mum, came into our class and helped us with the process. First we chose a Siapo pattern, then we carved it and then printed it. It was so much fun! Here are some of our amazing prints.

Reporters: Room 10 Assembly Team



SPARKS OF GOD 2018 - T2, Week 5



Back: Charlotte Harrison, Harrison Croasdale, Amelie Carter, Alex Stewart

Front: Willow Dunne, Nove Ah Kuoi, Teuaine Mareikura, Isaac Duncan, Austin Perridge, Sam Rousell