St. Theresa's Catholic School Newsletter - 18th October, 2018

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

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, Gidday

Manaakitanga - Kindness

He aroha whakatō, he aroha ka puta mai If kindness is sown, then kindness is what you shall receive.

Welcome back to sunny Term 4! Over the holiday break we were very fortunate to have the court area re asphalted by PCL Asphalt. This was paid for by the Archdiocese of Wellington and we are very grateful to them. The children have been enjoying the smooth surface and we will be repainting the netball court lines in plenty of time for next season.

Unfortunately, the gate was damaged again and is currently being repaired. Please be careful to ensure the small gate is closed securely when you enter and exit.

What a fantastic day we had on Wednesday with our immersion for Term4. The children were asked to observe, think and react to a range of different installations set up by the staff around the school. These installations were designed to get the children thinking about caring for our planet and provoke some inquiry questions. We look forward to a big term of discovering and creativity from them all.

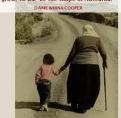
Today we participated in the National Shakeout Day'. This was a great opportunity for us as a school to review our procedures for earthquake and tsunami evacuation.

Enjoy the long weekend!

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



Take care of our children. Take care of what they hear, take care of what they see, take care of what they feel. For how the children grow so will be the shape of Actearca



Sunday is the day to say to God: thank you Lord, for life, for your mercy and for all your gifts! - *Pope Francis*



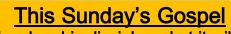
Sparks of God - Week 10

 Back: Isaac Gilmour, Archie Sinclair, Riley Meli, Mia Macintosh
 Front: Edward Higgins, Isaac Duncan, Alisa Sinumon
 Photographer: Ava Wrenn

WELCOME

A very big welcome to **Alessandra Staniforth** who started school this week. She is the sister of Gabriella in Room 7 and the daughter of Shaun and Michelle. We are sure you will have a very happy start in Room 3 and many memorable years at St. Theresa's.

The Lost Property (big, red) bin can be found at the end of the corridor outside Room 1. You won't believe how many items there are that are unnamed!



Jesus teaches his disciples what it will take to be great in the Kingdom of God. Today we are



challenged to think about when we are in a position of authority, how might we exercise our power in a way that serves others?



Dates for October/November/December

Monday, 22nd October - Labour Day and no school for all of us!
Tuesday, 23rd October - Faith-based Consultation
Wednesday, 31st October - Board of Trustees Meeting 6p.m.
Friday, 2nd November - Uniform fittings from 2p.m.
Saturday, 3rd & Sunday 4th November - Family Portrait Fundraiser
Tuesday, 6th November - Community Consultation
Wednesday, 7th November - Maori and Pasifika Consultation
Thursday, 8th November - Powhiri and Mass of Welcome 9a.m.
Sunday, 11th November - Uniform fittings from 2p.m.
Wednesday, 5th December - Board of Trustees Meeting 6p.m.
Friday, 7th December - Uniform fittings from 2p.m.
Friday, 14th December - Final Assembly & reports go home
Tuesday, 18th December - Prizegiving





Thursday, 20th December - End of year Mass 11.30a.m. & close of school for 2018 - 12.30p.m.

<u>Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon -</u> <u>Sunday, 17 March 2019</u> <u>Kilbirnie Park, Wellington</u>

Children over 7 can register either as an individual or as a team to swim, cycle or run. Family Portrait Fundraiser - Saturday, 3rd & Sunday, 4th November Where? Gear Homestead if fine, staffroom if wet.
How much? \$30 for the sitting fee (for Kirsten to take the photos, edit, send back for the family to decide which, if any, they like) More info or to make a booking? Contact Jodie Hickey-Smith on 021-450396
Payment? To our School account via internet or by Eftpos or cash.

Class of the Week - Room 4 In Room 4 we have been developing our digital literacy skills and this week we have learned to use a quiz-based computer system called Kahoot. We have had lots of fun and have built our computer skills so that we can use this in our learning.

We have played Maths games and this has helped not only our maths but our reading and communication skills too. We are looking forward to using this lots more in the classroom.

<u>Miniball - Year I to 6</u> Your child will have received a notice about Miniball for this term. Notices need to be returned by next Tuesday. This notice is also available on our website under 'What's on top/School notices'.

Mrs. McDonald in role as Rubbish lady doing her bit for our Immersion Day. This session highlighted the amount of rubbish found in and around the school in one day. The children were asked to reflect on how the rubbish came to be in the school, how it affects our planet and what we can do to protect it for the future.

PLEASE!!!!! DO NOT PARK OVER ANYONE'S DRIVEWAY. Following an incident this week where an ambulance could not enter a property to drop a dialysis patient back home, it seems another reminder needs to be published. There is no excuse - just don't do it!