



# St. Theresa's Catholic School

Thursday,  
4th August  
2016

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

*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*

## Principal's Note

On Saturday night we were very fortunate to have Cardinal John celebrate the Confirmation Mass. Congratulations to all of those students from our school who received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Cardinal John talked to us in his Homily about the very real need to pray together as a family and how important it was for Mums and Dads to be praying together. This was a timely reminder to us all to take the time out of our very busy schedules to share a moment as a family. Please keep all of the children preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in your prayers.

Unfortunately the front gate was damaged by the waste management truck yesterday. Thank you to the children and adults that have pointed this out - it shows we are developing a school-wide culture of being aware of possible hazards. We have been in contact with the company and will endeavour to have the gate repaired with the minimum of disruption.

**Maths Evening:** We will be having a Mathematics Information Evening for parents and whanau on 25 August from 6pm - 7pm. This evening will also include information on Growth Mindsets, how we teach Mathematics and get you all involved with some hands on problem solving. It is guaranteed to be a fun and informative evening for all and of course, we will have childcare available in the Learning Hub.

**Bus:** We are still in discussion with Mana Coachlines around the implementation of a service from Aotea. Thank you to those people who responded to our survey.

On Saturday we are having a Stream Day at Taupo Stream opposite Palmers from 1.30pm - 3pm. This follows on from an initiative that Room 10 have been working on. Although the weather forecast isn't wonderful, we will be going ahead regardless and it would be wonderful to see some of you down at the Stream with us.

Lastly, even as a Cantabrian, it needs to be said, "Go the Canes!"

Kia pai tō rā whakatā - atua manaaki

*Donna McDonald* - Principal



**Nits! Headlice!** - whatever you call them, these are an inevitable part of school life and not something we need to be embarrassed about. However, if we are all vigilant with checking our families regularly we can keep the incidences of outbreaks at a minimum. There are some very simple steps you can take to keep on top of this and we have information at the office on different methods of treatment so just ask Gina if you're not sure. Chemical treatments can be expensive so you may like to ask your doctor for a prescription next time you are there so that you are prepared. Please let your child/ren's class teacher know if you have seen or suspect your child may have nits, as early detection helps. Children do not need to be kept at home after treatment. So.....how about having a look this week-end and help us to keep the little critters out of our school!

## This Sunday's Gospel:

### Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus tells us we must be like servants waiting for the Master's return from a wedding banquet. This watchfulness means living in such a consistently moral and obedient way that we are always ready to give an account to God of how we have lived.



**Family Contribution/Donation:** As you may have read in the press, there can be confusion over what is a tax deductible donation and what is not. Our Family Contribution is totally voluntary and is therefore regarded as a donation by Inland Revenue and is tax deductible. We are grateful to those who have already paid this much needed contribution. If you would like to set up an automatic payment, please see Gina in the Office.

### Term 3 Powhiri and Mass of Welcome Thursday, 18th August at 9a.m.

Please join us for the celebration to welcome new families to St. Theresa's. It's the turn of all families in Rms 1 and 8 to provide the morning tea this term. We also need some helpers with the setting up and serving of morning tea. Please let Gina know if you area available.

## Whole School/Parish Mass

Sunday, 14th August at  
9.30a.m.

All children are expected to attend, dressed in their full school uniform. They will be seated in Class groups with their teachers.

Shared morning tea afterwards in the Hall. Please bring a plate to share. Non-attendance needs to be advised in writing to  
donna-mcdonald@st-theresas.school.nz as well as the classroom teacher.





## CLASS OF THE WEEK - ROOM 7

On Thursday, 28th of July, the whole school had a Science afternoon. The first one I did was the worm farm. We made a new farm for the worms and then we gave them some food. We squished all the food so it would be easy for them to eat. The second one I did was fake snot. I was Mrs. Fitzsimons' assistant to make it. Snot is made out of sugar and protein. It was fun and I learned something new. Everybody enjoyed it. Reporter: **Cooper Mallon**

The bell went in the afternoon. Charlotte and I went to Room 6 to learn about magnets. My favourite bit was learning about the plasma ball. It was made out of nickel, metal, electricity and gas. If you touched the glass, a bit of electricity would try to escape. My second favourite thing was the black sand. It had bits of metal in it. If you got some paper or cardboard and rubbed a magnet underneath, the sand would stick to it. If you rubbed it side to side, little bits of metal would come out the sand. Reporter: **Maia Goodstadt-Brown**



We love babies!! Congratulations to Nick and Emily Leggett and big sister Madi on the birth of their new baby boy, Tane. We wish you many blessings.

*Bits and bobs.....*

*Luke Franklin's named PE shorts are missing from Room 9. Please check to see if your child mistakenly has them.*

**BOT Meeting** - Wednesday, 10th August at 6p.m.

**Uniform fittings** this Friday, 5th August. Call Gina for an appointment.

**Scholastic Book Club Orders:** Please have these in by **TOMORROW**. Remember also that if you want to order and don't want your books sent home with your child (if they're a gift or a surprise!), then just let Gina know and she will hold at the Office for you.



### PLEASE JOIN US!

On Saturday, 6th August at 1.30p.m., Room 10 are having a Stream Day at Taupo Stream. We are going to take out the Cape Pond Weed from the stream and there will be activities and refreshments too. We would love your help. Hopefully we will see you there! Bring your gum boots and waders!

### Sparks of God Term 3, Week 1

Back: Laina Sola, Mitchell Browne, Cerys Goodstadt-Brown

Front: Charlie Stewart, Riley Meli, Mitchell Pierce, Lachlan Maclean, Lila Ablett



I have streets but no pavement,  
I have cities but no buildings,  
I have forests but no trees,  
I have rivers yet no water.  
What am I?

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## SPORTS ROUND UP



### Unihoc Results:

Rockets lost 0 - 2. PoD Samuel Beuerlein  
Falcons drew nil all. PoD Celine Ngan

### Netball Results:

Angels won 11 - 7 PoD Madi Masaga-Pita  
Stars drew 5 all. PoD Daniel Owen

**ST. T'S  
WORLD FAMOUS  
DISCO!**  
**MAKE A NOTE IN YOUR  
DIARY FOR FRIDAY,  
9TH SEPTEMBER.  
FULL DETAILS TO  
FOLLOW!**

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