

St. Theresa's Catholic School

Friday, 28th July, 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, Shalom, Dia duit, Mauri, Halo, Bom dia, Gidday, Malo ni

Welcome back to Term 3 everyone. I hope you managed a break with the children. The weather was certainly very exciting and judging by the holiday stories I have heard and read, it didn't stop our children enjoying themselves.

We seem to have a range of bugs around at the moment from chicken pox to runny noses. We will be reminding the children of all the precautions they can take to try and stay well, including getting enough sleep and washing hands to limit spreading bugs. Your support at home is always much appreciated.

The staff have been busy preparing for our production which is to be held in Week 9 of this term. This is a fantastic opportunity for all of the children to showcase their learning in a variety of ways, so make sure you mark that date in your calendar.

We were so proud and happy to hear that Liam and Kieran Dunlop-Brown were baptised in the holidays. Congratulations to both of you and your families.

Congratulations to our St. Theresa's Chess team who qualified for the Regional National Chess Finals competition in Hamilton on 29th October. They will be undertaking some fundraising to help with travel expenses and I am sure we will all support them with this.

Sadly we farewelled Austin McClean on Monday. Austin was grandfather to Mathew Dodds in Room 9 and father and grandfather to many past pupils, families and staff members. The Rosary on Sunday night and the service on Monday were a tribute to a man who spent his life in service to others; a very special man who will be remembered fondly by so many. The children made us all so proud with their guard of honour, haka and beautiful singing as Austin left the church.

The following students have joined our St. T's community:

Isabelle Aubrey (Rm 4), sister of Emily and daughter of James and Glenis; Emerson Allen-Coburn (Rm 4) son of Ainslie; Archie Sinclair (Rm 1), son of Joshua and Rebecca and Maya James (Rm 3), daughter of Hannah and Mac. We wish you all a very happy and memorable time as part of our School and Parish community.

As we are all aware this is another busy term so please keep checking in on the calendar and newsletter for event details. An early reminder that we will be having our School/Parish Mass on 10th September and the focus will be Grandparents.

Donna McDonald - Principal



Important

Dates

How important grandparents are for family life, for passing on the human and religious heritage so essential for each and every society! - Pope Francis



Important dates for this term:

Wed., 2nd August - Powhiri at 9a.m.

Wed., 9th August - BoT meeting 6p.m.

Sun. 10th September - Whole school Mass

Tues., 19th September - School Production

Wed., 20th September - School Production

Keep checking our website calendar in case of any additions or amendments.

<u>Powhiri and Mass of Welcome</u> <u>Wednesday, 2nd August at 9a.m.</u> Please join us for this celebration. It is the turn of all families in Rms 1 & 8 to provide a plate for morning tea. Your contributions need to be dropped off in the flall.

Up to date contact information

Just a reminder to you all to ensure that <u>you have</u> <u>notified us</u> of any changes to your contact details. It is imperative that we are able to contact you or your emergency contact person if or when required.

School/Parish Mass - 10th September

Our compulsory School/Parish Mass is on Sunday, 10th September at 9.30a.m. and is a



Grandparents Mass. Please invite Grandparents or those who take on this role to come along and share this time with their families.

This Sunday's Gospel

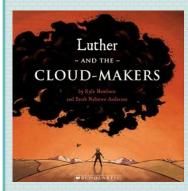


In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus

teaches about the Kingdom of Heaven. Just like the person who found the buried treasure and the merchant who acquired the pearl of great price, we seek to find the signs of the Kingdom of Heaven in our lives. In fact, we even work to bring about God's kingdom in our actions and in our words.

Class of the Week - Room 9

It is great to see everyone back from the holidays and we hope you had a fun and relaxing time.



On Thursday we will be doing an art installation and we hope to make a big cardboard town outside, based on the story Luther

and the Cloud-Makers.

We should all know the production is going ahead this term and we are all looking forward to the big day. We are all excited to see what Mrs. Chapman has written for us! It's going to be a really busy term.

Reporters: Ella Jones & Joseph Reiher



Uniform fittings on site for Term 3 on the following Fridays: 11th August, 1st September and 22nd September. Please call Gina to book an appointment time. These start from 2p.m. onwards. Alternatively, you can email Bernadette on b.chapman@paradise.net if you already know what you want to order and don't need a fitting.

Rauri, Leo and Cooper in Room 10 have the following request: Do you have resources that we need for our gecko/skink house that we would like to make at the end of the field? Here's a list: Bricks, wood, pots, mesh (chicken wire), small stones, short ceramic pipes. Thank you.





SPARKS OF GOD - T2, Week 10

Back: Liam Dunlop-Brown, Joseph Reiher, Mahi Meo

Front: Luna Blank, Ella Fordham, Elice Mzila, Sophia Todd, Russell Ngan, Tristan Jeyathas

Book Club orders need to be in to the Office by next Friday, 4th August. You can order online yourself if you want to - books will be delivered to school. Congratulations to the **Dunlop-Brown** family who were baptised during the school holidays. May God bless you all.



Sewing machines: Do you have a sewing machine that you are prepared to loan to Rm 10 or one that you're not using at all anymore? Please let Pauline MacLean know. pauline-maclean@st-theresas.school.nz



Sport from Term 2

Allstars beat the Saints 8-2 PoD: Jack Hurcomb

Player of the Day trophies need to be brought back to school as soon as possible and given to Mrs. Fitzsimons.