

St. Theresa's Catholic School

"To live, learn and love with Jesus, being the best we can be $\ddot{}$ "

10th 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

What a busy week this has been. The children have enjoyed learning a whole range of new signs in our NZSL taster sessions. We have been learning about healthy bodies, courage and resilience with Harold in the Life Education van and we have learnt new skills with our hockey sessions.

On Tuesday and Wednesday evening, the teaching staff attended PD on The Religious Education Bridging Document. This is an exciting new opportunity for all of us to look anew at our national primary RE curriculum. This work is being undertaken across the country and involves all who teach RE across schools and parishes. The document's purpose is to provide guidance and encouragement to teachers to be dynamic and authentic in their teaching.

SeeSaw – The teachers have been trialling new ways to report and share the children's learning using SeeSaw. Please check with your child's teacher if you have not signed up for this App.

This term, mid-year reports will go out at the end of Week 8 and we will have our 3 way interviews on the 25th and 26th June. More information will come out later in the term. Please remember if you have any thoughts, concerns or questions at any time, you are encouraged to make contact with your child's classroom teacher or with me.

I was so fortunate to be able to watch the St. Theresa's netball Stars on Saturday. What an amazing developing talent we have here at school!

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

Donna McDonald - Principal

A very warm welcome to **Lashini Jeyathas**, daughter of Ranjan and Lakshini and sister of Tristan. We wish you many happy years here at St. T's.

When we are open to God's grace, even the impossible becomes possible. - Pope Francis

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS - You don't want to miss this one! Each family will have received a copy of this year's issue. It's valid from NOW until June 2019 and has heaps of brilliant offers. This year the cost is \$65 and is available in either hard copy or digitally. All the instructions for payment, etc., are in the envelope. Thanks in anticipation - this could turn out to be a very good fundraiser for us! If you don't intend buying it, simply return it to the box outside the Office.

Parents & Friends Meeting

Please come along to the Staffroom **this evening at 7.30p.m.** We are very keen on some fresh ideas and suggestions for

fundraising and other social activities. If you want more info, please call Jodie Hickey-Smith on 021450396. See you **ALL** there!?





A sample of some of our Mums from Room 4. Can you guess which one is YOU?!

This Sunday's Gospel 6th Sunday of Easter The Ascension

Forty days after His Resurrection, Jesus ascended to Heaven. We celebrate the solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord forty days after Easter. We profess this belief about Jesus' importance in Heaven when we pray the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed. When we say Jesus is at the



right hand of the Father, we are not describing a physical place but the honour that Jesus has because of the Father's love for and approval of Him. From this place of honour in Heaven, Jesus continues to help us as we try to follow His example.



MUMS ARE SO SPECIAL!

We take this opportunity to wish all Mothers, as well as those who take on this role, a very happy Mothers' Day.

Class of the Week - Room 9

It's good to be back at school! It's already been busy. We have hockey visiting us for five weeks. The big Harold truck is here and we have had two sessions with Kapa, learning about conflict resolution and making good choices. This term we are doing a novel study on a book called 'My Brother's War' by David Hill. We are learning about two brothers, one who is going to war and the other one who is a conscientious objector. We are also writing a persuasive letter to



Mrs. McDonald asking her to think about getting a school hoodie - we hope we are successful! Lastly we are going hard at our cross country training.

It's all go here and we've just started the term! Reporters: Lachie Wilkie & Brooke Jones

New Zealand Sign Language Week

Lots of signing happening around here this week and our children are doing a great job of learning to 'speak'. How can you go wrong with the awesome teachers we have - Andre and Nikki in action.



SPARKS OF GOD 2018 - T2, Week 1



Back: Lachlan Maclean, Joshua Cousins, Cassidy Meli, Ava Wrenn, Emily Aubrey

Front: Charlie Land, Alex Cousins, Hunter Tomlinson, Emily Mallon, Isaac Gilmour, Hannah Tohill

Dates for your calendar:

Uniform fittings for the term: 18/5, 8/6, 29/6

New Zealand Sign Language Week THIS WEEK!

Parents & Friends Meeting: TONIGHT at 7.30p.m. - Staffroom

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





Harold is here!

Some future Black Sticks in the making, perhaps? Room 9 enjoying hockey coaching on the court.



Please continue to support BUSH SPROUTS at our local Z Petrol Station by ensuring that you put your 'Good in the Hood' tokens in the Nature School NZ box. Thanks!

Mothers' Day Raffle

There are 8 (yes, EIGHT!) chances for children to win a prize in the Year 6 Camp



fundraising raffle. Tickets only \$1 each and this will be drawn at Assembly tomorrow! Good luck to everyone!

Unihoc Results for this week: Rockets won 1 - 0. POD: Tom Rousell Effort of the Day: Andre Hesp