St. Theresa's Catholic School Newsletter - 27th September, 2018

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

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.

What a full on term this has been. The children have been involved in so many wonderful opportunities from building shelters in the bush right through to inventing games to save the planet. We are so proud of the innovative and creative way our children apply themselves and their ability to solve problems and stretch their thinking.

Carnival 2019 is all go!! Thanks to Chrissie Swift, Maria Gair and Jenny Jermy for taking up the challenge and agreeing to co-ordinate this much anticipated annual community event. The date is looking like 16 March, however look out for the official 'save the date' coming your way. Also, get ready to be shoulder tapped, as we have heaps of positions to fill - we need the support of every family, as the outcome of the Carnival is for the benefit of all our children so please consider helping in whatever way you can.

On the topic of fundraising - what an amazing effort our Year 5 & 6 students put in yesterday with their annual Children's Bring & Buy Day. The games, food and toys, etc. kept the whole school entertained and there were several bargains spotted in the staffroom. Thank you all for your very generous support of our camp fundraiser. Special thanks to Trish Fitzsimons and Pauline MacLean for again co-ordinating a very slick event.

Wishing you all a safe and restful holiday break.

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

Mary our Mother knows the joys and difficulties that we experience along our journey. - Pope Francis

Sparks of God - Week 9



Ava Woodley, Willow Dunne, Alfie Croasdale, Back: Sophie McBride, Teddy Green Front: Luna Blank, Daniel Gilmour, Brody Algar, Sophia Todd, Sacha Baldwin, Siena Brennan Photographer: Ava Wrenn

Are you ready for summer and uniform requirements?

Summer uniform is worn in Terms 4 and 1. Please check the website if you're unsure especially regarding sandals. There will be a glide time until Labour Weekend and thereafter, everyone needs to be wearing their summer uniform. Navy blue, plain sunhats are compulsory for outside play - No hat, No play.

This Sunday's Gospel 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There may be times in our lives when we feel like we have little faith or that our faith is weak and insecure. Jesus will not judge us for this. In this Sunday's Gospel we find encouragement for these times of doubt. If we continue to pray and act on our faith during these times, Jesus will help our faith grow stronger.



TAWA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL KAPA HAKA PERFORMANCE GROUP



We were lucky enough to host this group of students (which included one of our ex-students, Brayden Algar) who are



performing at different schools in the area, in preparation for the Regional Kapa Haka Festival.

They were most impressive and our children learnt a lot about performance, waiata and haka. We were also able to share our talents during our powhiritia.

THANK YOU!

A huge thanks to all of you for supporting the Children's Bring & Buy Day for Camp fundraising. Thanks for everything that was donated and for sending along money for your children to spend on 'treasures' and treats.



On behalf of all the staff, we would like to thank each of you for your contribution to the school and your support, in various ways from going on trips to helping in the classroom to doing the sausage sizzle, too many to mention. Everyone is looking forward to a good break, to having a rest and being refreshed and ready for a busy Term 4.



Family Portrait Fundraiser coming to St. Theresa's 3rd & 4th November. See the link in our email!

Cancer Society SunSmart advice:

When swimming, make sure you reapply your sunscreen afterwards and cover up!

Congratulations to **Courtney Tyrell** who



has been selected for the Mana Primary Schools Rep Team to represent our school in the Porirua District and Tawa Community. The team will compete in the Southern North Island Primary Schools Tournament during the holidays. Well done, Courtney!

<u>Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon - 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. The links that take you straight to the registration page that is linked to the St. Theresa's group as well as for more information, are in our email.

What's happening during the holidays in our area? Check out our website: For Parents/Community Connections for heaps of ideas for keeping sane!

Present and past students and staff are preparing to celebrate this important College milestone on 19-21 October (Labour weekend) this year - a weekend of events, starting with a Powhiri on the Friday and ending with Mass celebrated by Cardinal John Dew on the Sunday will give many the opportunity to remember and give thanks for the gift of Catholic education in our community. The College extends a warm welcome to all past students, staff, Board of Trustees, parents and friends of Bishop Viard to join us for all or part of the weekend. Details of our programme is on the College website along with the registration form https://www.viard.school.nz. If you prefer, you can also email us at viard50th@gmail.com.

