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Term 3 Week 7

September 7, 2017

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Feast Day 8 September

The Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the day on which Christians East and West commemorate the birth of Mary, the Mother of God, was celebrated as early as the sixth century. It is a very important feast, because it prepares the way for the birth of Christ. It is also an unusual feast, because it celebrates a birthday. There are only three people whose birthdays have traditionally been celebrated by Christians. Jesus Christ, at Christmas; Saint John the Baptist; and the Blessed Virgin Mary. And we celebrate all three birthdays for the same reason: All three were born without Original Sin.

Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Mercy Value - Focus



**It is more
blessed to give
than to receive.**

Caring for Others



Principal's Piece



Dear Parents,
Nga mihi nui ki a koutou,
Malo e lelei,

This week we celebrate Tongan language week. As part of the celebrations Tima prepared a wonderful Tongan feast for the staff. Thankyou Tima it was delicious. Don't forget to check out our facebook page and blog to follow what we have been doing.

<https://www.facebook.com/DevonportStLeosCatholicSchool/?fref=ts>

Last week we farewelled our final short term international students from China. It is always lovely having the opportunity to interact with these students and learn about life in other parts of the world. We look forward to having some of them visit again next year.

This Sunday we join with the Parish to celebrate Mass. Children are to wear their correct school uniform and to meet the teachers by the court no later than 8.45 a.m. We will be inviting the community to come and join us for morning tea in the hall afterwards. We ask families to bring a plate to share.

Thankyou to everyone for supporting Daffodil Day, this included the children raising funds through the market day we held. We raised \$285 for the Cancer Society and also a further \$173 for Starship Hospital. I feel very proud of our special school when I see the outreach that our students are prepared to take part in to support others. An admirable quality that is evident in our school.

On Tuesday we had the finals for our 'Speech Presentations' and "Poetry Reading". Congratulations to all our students who were selected and presented. A special mention to Honor Braid who has been selected to present her persuasive speech at the North Shore Regional Speech Finals next Tuesday. Results are listed under School Awards.

Congratulations to our Year 5 / 6 Rippa Rugby team, who have made the semi-finals of the Rippa Rugby tournament. This is a wonderful achievement and we wish them well. Thank you to Mr Smallfield for the work you have done.

Each term the Board of Trustees reviews a number of our policies. Some of these are reviewed by the BOT, some are also reviewed by staff and for some policies feedback is sought from parents.

During term 3 the policy that we are seeking parent feedback on is the '**Students with Special Needs/Learning Support**' policy.

1) Please visit our 'School Docs' website <http://www.stleos.school.nz/policies.html>

click on the St Leo's Catholic School Policies

Username: stleos

Password: mercy

2) Click on the green 'Current Review' tab at the top of the page.

- 3) Select the 'Students with Special Needs / Learning Support' policy.
- 4) Read the policy content.
- 5) Click on the red 'Under Review' button to submit your feedback.

God Bless,
Elizabeth Walker,
Principal

Maori Focus Phrase: **Me ata tiaki tatou i te taiao** We all need to care for the environment.

Enviroschools

We have been selected by our local New World to receive a Leafcutter Bee House and Bumble Bee Nesting Box. On delivery, the 50 bees inside will be in hibernation and will not emerge until temperatures reach 21 degrees for 21 days. Leafcutters are a gentle breed of bees that specialise in pollination. They're regarded as solitary bees that are safe around children - they will only sting when directly squashed and there have been no known cases of anaphylaxis in New Zealand as a result of a Leafcutter sting. Growing the Leafcutter Bee population is part of a nationwide initiative with the goal being to reach 15 million bees in five years. As a country we desperately need a resilient bee population to pollinate our fruit trees, flower gardens and vegetables - the Leafcutter Bee is immune to Veroa Mites and will play an important role in maintaining pollination levels.



Important Messages

Family Mass -Sunday 10 September

Children are to wear their correct school uniform and to meet the teachers by the court no later than 8.45 a.m. We will be inviting the community to come and join us for morning tea in the hall afterwards. We ask families to bring a plate to share.

Student Led Conferences - Tuesday 12 September - week 8

Please keep this date free. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to share their learning with you. The bookings are open.

Please go to <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/?z=55ptq6> and enter the code: **wm8md**

Life Education Parent Information Meeting - Thursday 14 September

The children will be taking part in a series of lessons on "Building Positive Relationships" from Friday 15 September - Tuesday 19 September. Parents are welcome to come along to an information session on Thursday 14 September at 2.30. This will give you the opportunity to

meet Jenni Gilbertson and find out about the programme being taught. There will be a charge of \$5 per child for this. This will be added to your account.

Assembly Friday 15 September

Next Friday St Clare's Class will be sharing at assembly. Please come and join us.

Class Mass - Tuesday 19 September

St Dominic's class will be attending mass. **All students need to be at school no later than 8.45 please.** Parents are most welcome to join us.

Accounts

Thank you to those parents who have made Term 3 payments. Please note that these are now due. If you are having any problems making your payments please see Renee or Liz.

Hats

The weather is finally starting to warm up. I encourage the children to start bringing their hats to school to wear at lunchtime and playtime.

Safety issues

Could we please remind parents and caregivers that children are not to enter or exit the school via the staff carpark. Please walk the children around the admin block. Also a reminder that there is a no-parking zone either side of the driveway on Owens Rd from 8.30am - 9.30am and 2.30pm - 3.30pm. This is regularly monitored by Auckland Transport and you may be ticketed if you park there.

Can Drive

In week 8 (September 11th - 15th) we will be holding a can drive to support St Vincent de Paul and the Mercy Hospice. Please bring your cans of food to the office by 3pm on the 15th.

Sports Uniforms

Now that the netball, rippa rugby and hockey seasons have finished could all uniforms please be washed and returned to the office.

Touch Rugby

It is that time again for the Touch season. A great way to have some fun and stay fit.

The season will run on Monday's throughout Term 4 at Devonport Domain (Cambridge Terrace) from 4-6 pm. A new venue with much better parking.

Further information and registrations forms can be found on the website

<http://www.sporty.co.nz/peninsulatouch>

The registrations are open. So please register your child.



Yummy Stickers

Could all Yummy sticker charts please be returned to the office by **15 September**.

School Calendar

Don't forget to check out the calendar on the website for upcoming events

www.stleos.school.nz

Celebration Book

Theo Robinson - Won the most outstanding player award for J6 at North Shore Rugby Club

Year 6 basketball team won 14 - 6

Luca Gasperini player of the day basketball

Year 5 basketball team won 10 - 6

Evan Joseph player of the day basketball

Year 3/4 netball team came 1st in their competition

Gigi Albrecht - Gained her My Faith badge at cubs. Also scored 82/100 for her jazz exam

Year 3/4 hockey team won their game 3 - 0 and came 4th in their league.

Year 6 Basketball team won 17 - 9

James Lynch player of the day basketball

Ben Dunlop's soccer team came 2nd in a soccer tournament

Alex Mills scored 83/100 in her jazz exam

School Awards

Principal Awards	Spirit Awards
Jacob McGivern Sophia Law Katarina Lockyer George Parker	Ellie Cumberland Jessie Wescott David Wicks Bustos Natasha Busch
Star Student Awards	Whanau Awards
Patrick Welson Danny Mills Amelie Boule Cici Cheung	Kauri - May Upton Koromiko - Kowhai - Alice Gillies Pohutukawa - Nicolas Busch

Speech Finals

Year 4		Year 5		Year 6	
1st	Tessa Clinton	1st	Joseph Wolfkamp	1st	Honor Braid
2nd	Melissa Busch	2nd	Abigail Goosen	2nd=	Louis Upton
3rd	Katarina Lockyer	3rd	Natasha Busch	2nd=	Kasey Isidro

Poetry Reading

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Sophie Howcroft Jacob McGivern Julietta Sosa	Chiara Albrecht Danny Mills Dulcie Boule	Theo Robinson Emily Howcroft Jessie Wescott

PTFA News

Plate for after Family Mass

We will be inviting the community to come and join us for morning tea in the hall after Family Mass. We ask families to bring a plate to share.

St Leo's School Raffle

Shut the Front Door has kindly donated one of the major prizes for the raffle and is also providing us a hamper with additional products as a prize.

We will be putting together a luxury food and wine hamper.

We ask each family to bring in a donation to the office by **Friday 8th September 2017**.

Tickets will be coming home this week

Tea Towels

We are arranging to do a St Leo's tea towel for 2017 as many new families to the school have not had a chance to purchase one. Your children will be completing their self portraits in the coming weeks.

We will be taking pre-orders for these up until **15th September** so we know the quantity required.

\$12 per tea towel or 2 for \$20.

Please contact the office to order these.

Sausage sizzle

There will be a sausage sizzle lunch on Friday 15th September. \$5 for sausage in bread, milo (bring your own cup) and a treat.

Movie Night

Tickets are now on sale at the office for the Parent's Movie Night on Friday 22 September at The Vic. The movie is Kingsman The Golden Circle. Tickets are \$25 which includes an ice-cream or drink (beer, wine or soft drink). No door sales so get your tickets now.

Fair

Don't forget to check the Fair Road Map to see what needs to be brought in.

- Return sign up sheets by 18th Sept
- Drop off clean, empty jars to the office for preserves
- Fair Meeting at Corelli's 9.15am Friday 7th Sept
- Please do not bring in any items for book stalls, white elephant etc until you are asked to as we have nowhere to store these.

Community Notices



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Cricket is a fantastic summer sport for girls and boys from year 1 up.

Registration for the coming season is now open.

For more details and to enrol go to www.northshorecricket.co.nz or come to the clubrooms, Devonport Domain, Sunday Sept 17th from 2-5 pm.

Any questions email administration@northshorecricket.co.nz or call Gillian on 0212120112

Ports of Auckland Heritage Tugboat Sailings on the William C Daldy

Date: Every Saturday and Sunday, 30 September – 15 October
Location: New Zealand Maritime Museum (Hall of Yachting)
Cnr Hobson Street and Quay Street, Auckland Central
Cost: Adults \$10, Children 2 – 15 years \$3, under 2 years FREE
Website: <http://aucklandheritagefestival.co.nz>

Sail on the iconic William C Daldy these school holidays! Proudly funded and organised by Ports of Auckland for the 2017 Auckland Heritage Festival, celebrating our city's rich maritime history. Enjoy a 50-minute, family friendly cruise around the Waitematā Harbour aboard the 62 year old steam tug. Cruise on three times a day, every Saturday and Sunday between 30 September – 15 October. Each cruise will be accompanied by a detailed commentary on Auckland's maritime history.

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LOTS OF BARGAINS!

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