

St Leo's Catholic School, Devonport

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Mercy Day 24 September

September 24 is the anniversary of the opening of the first "House of Mercy" in 1827 in Dublin, Ireland. Catherine McAuley, founder of the Sisters of Mercy, devoted her life to the poor, sick and uneducated, and today we continue her legacy of caring and compassion in the name of Mercy.

My God,

I am yours for time and eternity, Lord, I am yours forever.

It is you who must teach me to trust in your Providence, Loving Lord.

You are a God of love and tenderness.

I place my trust in you,

And I ask that you grant me acceptance of your will, Loving Lord.

Take from my heart all painful anxiety. Let nothing sadden me but sin.

And then let my delight be hoping to see your face,

God, my all.

Amen.

Mercy Value - Focus





Principal's Piece

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

We are nearly at the end of a very wet term. This term has been very busy, yet rewarding. It amazes me how much we manage to fit into ten weeks. It is also timely to thank all our coaches who give up their time to coach our students in the various sporting codes we offer at St Leo's. Without this support, skill and enthusiasm we wouldn't be able to have these opportunities. So thank you very much! Well done to all of our students who have participated in their respective Winter Sports. Once again St Leo's students have proven to be tough competitors who play fairly.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Family School Mass, special thanks to Mrs Buchanan for the work she does to prepare the students for the Ministry of Reading and singing. This is such a wonderful opportunity for us to join together as one community. There is an expectation that all students attend this Mass and if for any reason you are not able to attend, please contact me directly. We have our final Family School Mass in Term Four on Saturday 2 December at 5.00pm. This is the First Sunday of Advent. Please lock this date in your calendars.

We had a really great **PTFA** meeting this week and the committee are working really hard to raise vital funds for our school. The work done by our PTFA benefits everyone, so please be supportive and if you are able to help in any way shape or form, every little bit of support helps lighten the load of the key organisers, particularly when it comes to our upcoming fair.

Term Dates for 2018

These will be advised before the end of this term.

Staff News: Mr Smallfield will be leaving us at the end of 2017. I would like to thank Mr Smallfield for his valued contributions to St Leo's and wish him well. We are delighted to welcome Mrs Felicity Timings to the St Leo's teaching team from 2018. Mrs Timings is currently teaching at the Northern Health School. Up until the end of 2016 Mrs Timings had been teaching Year 7 at Carmel College.

God Bless, Elizabeth Walker, Principal

Maori Focus Phrase: Kia tika tonu te horoi i ou ringaringa ma te hopi me te wai

Wash your hands well with soap and water.

Enviroschools

Last week we harvested and cooked our beetroot and all the children were given the opportunity to try some.

Our great team of gardeners have harvested broccoli, onions, parsley and spinach and a handful of carrots and would like to offer this to the school community. If you would like to partake of some of our vegetables they will be in the office from today. "Purchase" these by making a donation into our honesty box and take what you like.



Important Messages

Assembly Friday 29 September - St Patrick's class will be sharing

All parents are welcome to come and join us at 9.00 for assembly. This is a great opportunity for students to share and to celebrate some of their learning.

Friday 27 October - Grandparents Day

All grandparents are invited to come and spend some time with us at school. We will be celebrating Mass at 12.00. This will be followed by a shared lunch in the hall. There will be an opportunity to spend some time in classes and then concluding the day with some entertainment in the hall. Please remember to bring a plate of finger food for the shared lunch. (Please note that due to children with severe allergies no nuts please)

Summer Uniform

At the start of Term 4 children may wear correct summer uniform. From the start of week two all children will be expected to be wearing summer uniform, including sun hats. As part of our PE programme the children will be practising for our athletics. Please ensure that they have their PE uniform at school everyday.

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

- With the warmer weather approaching, the numbers of students biking to school increases. There are to be no bikes or scooters ridden in the school ground. Please ensure that you remind your child about this important safety rule.
- We have an increasing number of students staying after school to play. If your child is to walk or bike home after school, please ensure they do so promptly.

- For children waiting for a parent to pick them up, they are **to report to the office** if a parent is running late.
- Please ensure that if you are picking your child up early for any reason, or you are
 dropping them to school late or after an appointment, that you <u>come to the office to</u>
 sign them in/out.
- Term Four Hats are compulsory No Hat/ No Play

Sports Uniforms

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

School Calendar

Don't forget to check out the calendar on the website for upcoming events www.stleos.school.nz

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Flynn Lane's football team came 3rd in the tournaments and Flynn got a hatrick

Eli Hansen - most improved player for his soccer team

Chiara Albrecht - got 80% in her Jazz exam

Year 5/6 netball team came 3rd in the Year 6 netball grade

Rosina Joseph - player of the day in basketball playing for the Year 5 team

Whanau Points

Kauri	Koromiko	Kowhai	Pohutukawa
1560	995	1515	1220

School Awards

Principal Awards	Spirit Awards
Isabella Albrecht	Julia Wilson
Sienna Glanville	Honor Hansen
Rian Taylor	Joseph Wolfkamp
Evan Joseph	Freya Williamson
Star Student Awards	Whanau Awards
Isabel Mena-Levin	Kauri - Joseph Wolfkamp
Quentin Vacherand	Koromiko - Ngaire Williamson
David Wicks Bustos	Kowhai - Lily Claxton
Luca Gasperini	Pohutukawa - Emily Howcroft

PTFA News

St Leo's School Raffle

All parents should have received their books of raffle tickets to sell. Please return these to the office once they are sold. If for any reason you haven't received your raffle tickets please let the office know.



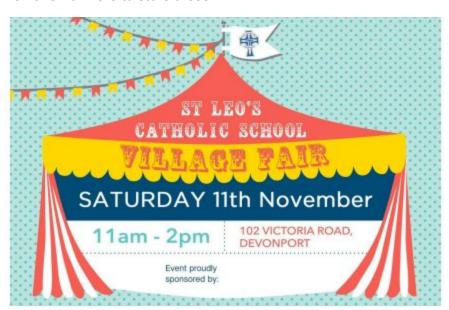
Movie Night

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 (there are still lots of families who haven't signed up)
- Drop off clean, empty jars to the office for preserves
- Fair Meeting at Corelli's 9.15am Friday 29 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



Communication Matters Build Your Confidence Find Your Voice

Come and find out how Toastmasters can help you become a better communicator and leader!

Club Name: Devonport Esplanade
Date: 2nd October 2017
Time: 715 for a 730 start

Location: RSA, 61 Victoria Road, Devonport

Contact:

devonport@toastmasters.org.nz



Marbles Studio Holiday Art Programme: 2nd -13th October

It is with excitement that we announce our holiday art programme for these coming holidays.

Week 1 2nd-6th October: The Magic of Harry Potter
Week 2 9th - 13th October: Enchanted Animals & Amazing Pets
Magic, potions, creepy concoctions, dragons, unicorns and a whole
lot of furry fluffy fun are just a few of the things that we have planned.
With limited spaces and days booking out fast sign up today to secure
your place in our programme. For information about our programme
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You can see more about me on my website: http://www.childrenillustrationelbosqueescondido.com

Rosmini Fund Raiser All Golf enthusiasts and supporters of Rosmini College, come and support the 2017 PTFA Golf Day on the 23rd of November, being held at the

Waitemata Golf Course, Devonport. Enter teams of 4 Players and help support your local Catholic College. Enjoy food, fun, beverages, stimulating company

and support a great cause, - for an all-inclusive price of \$400.00 per Team of 4 Players. Additional corporate sponsorship packages form Golf Cart and Tee Hole advertising available.

Please help support Rosmini College and let loose your inner Jordan Speith or Lydia Ko and kick off Summer in the right way.

Contact: Shaun Erasmuson – Rosmini PTA Golf Day Co-Ordinator on; RazNZ@clear.net.nz to register your interest.

<u>KIDSPRITE Holiday Programme</u> – Short or long day options. Bake-off, Mystery-box challenge @ Soulsprite Kitchen Cooking School, Fitness Games, Big-Bag Science, NZ Parkour workshop, Percy Jackson Day and much more. Book Now, only 25 spaces/day. 7-12yr olds (can take 5yr plus siblings). Soulsprite, 59 Victoria Road. Full schedule and booking details on www.soulsprite.co.nz or email: kate@soulsprite.co.nz.



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Hooked on Hockey

Harbour Hockey's fun and engaging holiday programme with a mixture of hockey and non-hockey activity developed for ages 5 - 13 (school years 1 - 8).

It is an action packed programme with a quality coaching team that aims to provide an exciting and fun-filled experience.

Dates: Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th October 2017, 9.00am - 3.00pm

Cost: \$50 per child/day or \$80 for both days *we are offering morning tea and lunch during this programme for \$10per day https://eventdesq.sportstg.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=main&EventDesqID=25958&OrgID=20725

Hit Em' Up

With skill development being the focus Hit Em' Up is for more experienced players aged 9 - 13 (school years 5 - 8) who would like to advance their hockey.

The coaching team is made up of Harbour Hockey representative players and a lower coach ratio (approx. 1:8) this means more individual attention.

Date: Monday 9th October, 9.00am - 3.00pm Cost: \$70 *we are offering morning tea and lunch during this programme for \$10

https://eventdesq.sportstq.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=main&EventDesqID=25957&OrgID=20725>



Animates School holidays are just around the corner, and for the first time, Animates is partnering with 'Kids Safe with Dogs' to provide the perfect activity to help educate children how to behave around dogs. Your local Animates store will be hosting free seminars at 11am on Thursday 5th and 12th of October. Trained staff will use interactive real life scenarios, using a toy dog, to teach children how to behave around their own dog, and those that they encounter on the street. Key points will include:

- o How to approach a dog (when tied up, when eating, when in a car etc.)
- o How and where to pat a dog
- o How to make eye contact with a dog including best body language to use
- o Learning the importance of always asking permission before approaching a dog These sessions will also be beneficial you're thinking about introducing a fluffy friend to the family. There will also be the opportunity to ask the in-store experts for advice, and children who complete the workshop will take home a free activity book and certificate to proudly display on their wall or fridge. Although bookings aren't necessary, the events are usually well attended so it's advisable to arrive early.

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