St. Leo's Catholic School



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Dear Parents,

Cross Country

It was a cold day but the children braved the wet, slippery conditions and competed with enthusiasm. A small group of our children will compete in the Peninsula Cross Country competition and we wish them well. I'm sure they will represent St Leo's well.



Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on **Tuesday 3 July**. The school will finish at 1pm that day. Bookings are now open and you can book a time by logging into <u>www.schoolinterviews.co.nz</u> and enter the code q3py4 or click this link to take you directly to the site <u>https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code?code=q3py4</u>

The conferences will take place between 2.00pm and 7.30pm. A reminder that school will finish at 1pm on this day.

Matariki Family night

On **Thursday 5 July** we will be hosting a family hangi to celebrate Matariki, the Maori New Year. It is an important festival that reflects our bi-cultural heritage. Māori celebrate their New Year, by the rise of Matariki (the group of stars also known as the Pleiades star cluster or The Seven Sisters) and the sighting of the next new moon. This year Matariki begins on Friday 15 June. The family evening will have a small cost to cover the cost of the food for the hangi, but it will not be a fundraising event.

Paid Union Meeting

Please note that the NZEI Paid Union meeting will be held next week on **Tuesday 19 June**. The school will not be officially closed but only one teacher will be on site so it is recommended that you pick up your children at 1pm. **If your child needs to stay at school, please let the school know by Monday**.

School Masses

This term's Family Mass will be a very special occasion as it will be during the Confirmation and First Communion Mass on **Sunday 24 June at 9am.** Bishop Pat will be celebrating this Mass for us. This term we have celebrated two buddy class Masses. Next term we will continue celebrating regular Masses with the buddy classes but these will be celebrated on a Friday at midday instead of a Tuesday.

A REMINDER THAT NO CHILDREN ARE TO ENTER OR EXIT THE SCHOOL VIA THE STAFF CAR PARK. CARS ARE COMING AND GOING BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL AND WE DON'T WANT TO SEE ANYONE HURT.

School choir performance

At our next assembly on the **22 June at 9am**, the choir and ukelele group will be performing a selection of songs. I hear them practising each week in the library and I can guarantee a lovely ensemble of music.

Mercy Values Certificates

This week we awarded Katarina Lockyer an Aroha/Compassion certificate and David Wicks-Bustos a Manaakitanga/hospitality certificate. Congratulations to these children for demonstrating the Mercy values at school.

Uniform

At last week's assembly I spoke to the children about the importance of having pride in their school uniform. I have noticed a few children not wearing the correct uniform, particularly the incorrect shoes or have been leaving the school without their shoes on. We have a very smart uniform and it is lovely to see the children wearing the correct uniform.

WINTER BOYS Navy Shorts Royal Blue St Leo's I/s Polo Shirt Black shoes Long black socks	WINTER GIRLS White skivvy Green and Navy Tunic Long navy socks or navy tights Black shoes St Leo's polar fleece jacket/sports jacket
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Catholic Schools Conference

Mrs Williams and I will be away from Tuesday afternoon until Friday afternoon to attend the Catholic Schools Conference in Wellington. I have attended the conference, which is held every 3 years, on previous occasions and what we will bring back from the conference is an excellent way of renewing the spirituality within the school...and we got to meet someone special!

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One Can Two Can Appeal

A reminder that next week we will be taking part in the Auckland City Mission Once Can Two Can appeal. This will run from **Monday June 18th - Friday June 29th**. Please leave your cans of food in the basket in the office. Children will be awarded 100 whanau points for their donation.

Kind wishes, Maureen Harris



Important Notices

Tissues

As the cold and flu season comes upon us we would ask if parents could please supply their children's class with a box of tissues. Help us to keep those germs at bay with this simple measure.

Policy review

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

During term 2 the policy we are seeking parent feedback on is 'Reporting to Parents.' Please visit our school docs website <u>http://www.stleos.school.nz/policies.html</u>.

Click on the St Leo's Catholic School Policies User name: StLeos Password: mercy Click on the green current review tab at the top of the page.

Select the Reporting to Parents policy.

Read the policy content

Click on the red Under Review button to submit your feedback

Yummy stickers

Please collect the yummy stickers off your fruit, get a chart from the office and save these for us. Later in the year we collect them in and send them off to exchange for sports equipment for our school.

New World Receipts

Did you know that there is a box at the front of New World where you can nominate your child's school by writing the school name on top of the receipt and putting it in the box. At the end of each term the totals are added and the school receives a proportion of this as a donation. Last year we got close to \$5000 by doing this.

Celebration Book

Congratulations to the following children: Natasha busch - Highland dance exam Grade 1 = Merit Melissa Busch - Highland dance exam Grade 1 = Merit Danny Mills - player of the day in soccer. He scored 5 goals Ivy Wallis - Player of the day Year 4/5 netball

Polar fleeces

Thank you to those parents who have donated/loaned polar fleece jackets for our International Students. We could still do with a few more. If you are able to help please see Renee.

PTFA News Date change for disco. We will be holding the school disco on Friday 3 August from 5pm - 7.30pm. More details will follow later.

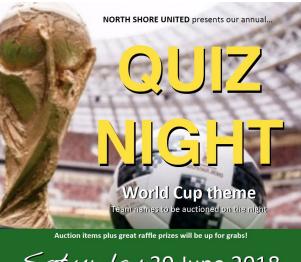
COMMUNITY NOTICES

Ex-pupil Ellie Brown is taking part in a movie fundraiser, to raise money for her school Classics trip. If your kids would like to go, please could you let me know how many kids / adult tickets you want ASAP (at school, or 0212094911 or by email), and let me have the cash for tickets, and I'll get tickets to you. My 3 are going. Thanks for your support. Sarah

Incredibles 2 - premiere screening at the Vic - Thurs 28th June, at 6pm. \$20 per child (including drink, icecream or popcorn) and \$25 for adults (including drink)

Hi Kids! Do you want to have some fun? Come and join our Kea's group at Calliope Scout hall for kids aged 6 & 7. On every Wednesday in school term from 16:45 – 17:45 hours. Please contact Alex Ranford on 021 029 49389. There are very limited spaces!





Saturday 30 June 2018

Allen Hill Clubrooms, Lake Road, Devonport Doors open at 7pm for 7.30pm start

Tables for 8 people cost \$280 (\$35 per person). Price includes platters of nibbles Email <u>office@nsu.org.nz</u> to reserve a table. Bar open until late. Bring cash.

All funds raised on the night go to NORTH SHORE UNITED ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB



Marriage Encounter Weekend:

13th – 15th July 2018 at Mt Richmond Hotel, Mt Wellington, Auckland.

A special weekend encouraging married couples to focus on each other, their communication,

priorities, lifestyle and relationship.

Phone 0800 ENCOUNTER (0800 362 686) for more information and BOOK NOW!

Choral Vigil Mass for the Nativity of St John the Baptist

Come celebrate the Vigil Mass Saturday 23 June at 7.30 pm here at the Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph, 43 Wyndham Street.

With the Vocal Ensemble directed by James Tibbles. Validated parking will be available at the Wilson car parks on Durham Lane (\$2) and Hobson Street (\$4). Please bring your ticket with you to validate in the Cathedral.

Cathedral of St Patrick & St Joseph Organ Series 2018 Saturdays @ 6pm

Our first Concert for the 2018 series is Wellington Organist Nicholas Sutcliffe. Saturday June 30 at 6 pm. The concert is **FREE** with a retiring collection. Parking as above

Lewis Eady Music

Your child can learn to play music at school with Lewis Eady. Instruments include guitar, piano & more. Enrol online anytime at www.lewiseady.co.nz

Nature Play Community Day

Sunday 24th June 10am - 2pm Rain or Shine! Free family day to celebrate the natural beauty in our own backyard. Meet like-minded families, join in to workshops, learn about local initiatives to protect our natural environment.

For more info email: ann@consciouskids.co.nz



1st Devonport Scouting Group - Keas and Cubs

Loads of FUN, Life Skills, Self Esteem, Strong Values, plus more ... Enrol your SON or DAUGHTER into scouting. Spaces are available for Keas and Cubs.

Keas: school year one, (age 5 ½ to 8 years old).

Kea sessions are Monday 4.30pm to 5.30pm or Wednesday 4.15pm to 5.15pm Cubs school year Three (7 1/2 to 11 years old).

Cub sessions are Monday 6.00pm to 7.30pm or Wednesday 5.30pm to 7.00pm All our Leaders are; fully trained, police vetted, dedicated volunteers.

Register now for 3 trial visits devonport scouts@gmail.com, or phone 021 538 249





Every Friday from 3pm to 5pm single scoops are only \$2-50!!

Mention this and get a free waffle cone or any topping, free!



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