# St. Leo's Catholic School



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#### 28 June 2018

Dear Parents,

#### Welcome to our new pupils

We welcome William Rumble and Amy Jameson who have joined St Clare's.

#### **Peninsula Cross Country**

A keen team represented St Leo's. Well done to Charlize Glanville, Nicholas Moataane, Claire Gillies, Natasha Busch, Ben Dunlop, Anthony Angelo, Aimee McGivern, Katarina Lockyer, Gigi Albrecht, Flynn Lane, Eli Hansen, Jack Copus, Chiara Albrecht, Laura Welson, Alice Gillies, Dulcie Boulle, Seth Webster, Charlie Lane and Orlando Thomas Cheng. We were very proud to have Charlize Glanville win her age group event. Quite an achievement. Well done Charlize! Well done to all the children who participated and gave it their best shot.

#### **Parent Teacher Conferences**

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on **Tuesday 3 July**. If you have not made a booking yet, you can still do so 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. Children are not required to be at the interviews.

#### Matariki Family night

On **Thursday 5 July** 5pm - 7pm we will be hosting a family umu to celebrate Matariki, the Maori New Year. Tima will be cooking the umu with the help of the children. There will be a charge of \$2.50 per head to cover the cost of food. Tickets will be available from this afternoon at the office. Cash or paid into school bank account please. Please purchase a ticket so that we know how many people we are catering for. This is an alcohol free event. See Jacob McGivern's story about Matariki later in the newsletter.

#### Keeping Ourselves Safe (KOS)

Every 2 years the school runs the KOS programme in conjunction with the NZ Police. We are due to run the programme in Term 3. I will be sending a letter home tomorrow detailing the programme and a weblink which parents can access. We will also have an information evening early next term with the Police Education Officer in order to answer any queries you may have.

#### Kapa Haka

We are going to start a Kapa Haka group next term under the guidance of Mr Patrick Clarke. Patrick works for DOC from North Head and has kindly offered to take our children. He will be attending a special assembly on the first week back at school, **Friday 27 July**, to talk to the children and do some singing with them. All parents are welcome to join us on the day at 9am in the hall.

## **Enrolments for 2019**

Enrolments are open for 2019. If you know of any families who would like to join our school family please encourage them to contact Renee in the office. If you have a pre-schooler who is not yet enrolled please also see Renee.

### School choir performance

We had a wonderful performance by the choir and ukelele group last assembly. They can be very proud of their achievements and we give a big thanks to Dominic Blazaar for teaching the groups so well.



## **Mercy Values Certificates**

This week we awarded Dulcie Boulle an Aroha/Compassion certificate and Anya Dickinson a Manaakitanga/hospitality certificate. Congratulations to these children for demonstrating the Mercy values at school.

This will be my last newsletter for the term. I wish you all a pleasant holiday break.

Kind wishes, Maureen Harris

### Matariki Fish

Down in the moana, light and clear, there were seven baby fishes and one mother fish. One day mother fish said to her seven babies, "Today I'm going to look for some food but I've got to tell you Tataraimaka is going fishing today. So stay near the rocks and don't go out into the open moana." But those fishes forgot what their mother said and went into the ocean and they got caught by the giant. Tane felt sorry for them so he threw the net into the air and matariki was created.

By Jacob McGivern, St Francis.

### **Important Notices**

## One Can Two Can Appeal

Thank you to those families who have donated to the Auckland City Mission One Can Two Can Appeal. Tomorrow is the last day to donate. All children that donate will be given whanau points.

## 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.

## Gazebo

A very big thank you to the Copus family for purchasing and donating a gazebo for the school. This will come in very handy.

## **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.

## 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.

## **Celebration Book**

Charlize Glanville for winning the Peninsula Cross Country for the 11 year old girls. Congratulations to the following children:

Sienna Warner - Player of the Day Rippa Rugby Year 3/4 team

Flynn Lane - Player of the Day Rippa Rugby Year 5/6 team

Natasha Busch - Runner up U12 Highland Dancing and 2nd Auckland Championship for Irish Jig U12

Melissa Busch - Cup winner for U10 Highland Dancing and 3rd Auckland Centre Championship for Irish Jig and Highland fling U12.

## Travelwise

Bike Safety The Travelwise team presents:

With Constable Fenton

On Friday 29th June 2018 St Catherine and St Patrick each be having bike safety sessions with Constable Fenton for one hour during the morning. You will need to bring your bike and helmet to school.



### **PTFA News**

#### Friday 27th July - Sausage Sizzle

St Dominic's will be hosting a Sausage Sizzle, \$5 for a sausage, milo and chips.

#### Friday 3rd August - Freaky Friday Disco

The annual disco will be held Friday 3rd August, 5.30pm -7pm. Tickets are \$8 for kids for drink and a hot dog. There will be face painting, lights products and treats on sale. Cash Bar for parents.

#### Friday 31st August - Boys Night In

A night for the boys to enjoy a beer and a catch up. Ticket prices to follow.

#### **Friday 14th September - Sausage Sizzle** St Francis will host a Sausage Sizzle

#### School Fair and 125th Jubilee Celebrations

This years school fair will be on Saturday 10th November and there will be a 125th Jubilee celebration on Sunday 11th November. More details will follow, in the meantime there is a Facebook page with photos and information if you would like to follow. <u>https://www.facebook.com/stleosjubilee/</u>



## Term 3 dates for your diary

Monday 23 July	Term 3 starts
	International Students arrive
Thursday 26 July	New Entrant Parent Meeting
Friday 27 July	Assembly - Patrick Kapa Haka
	Sausage sizzle lunch
Friday 3 August	Assembly - Waterwise talk
	School disco
Tuesday 7 August	PTFA Meeting
Thursday 9 August	Rippa Rugby Tournament
	Board of Trustees Meeting
Tuesday 14 August	Rippa Rugby Save Day
Friday 17 August	Assembly
Wednesday 29 August	Peninsula Speech Competition
Friday 31 August	Daffodil Day
	Assembly
	PTFA Boy's Night in
Tuesday 4 September	PTFA Meeting
Friday 7th September	Spirit of Gold Paralympic Fundraiser
	Assembly - Paralympic Cyclist to speak
Friday 14 September	Assembly
	Sausage Sizzle lunch
Week 9	Arthritis Appeal Week
Friday 21 September	Market Day
Friday 28 September	Assembly
	Term 3 ends

As things can change and be added please be sure to keep an eye on the calendar on our website and app.

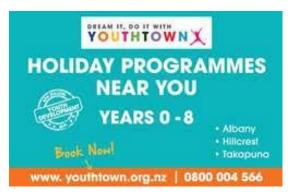
## Employment Opportunity —

The parish is offering a paid position for a part-time secretary. This position requires a background in office and accounts administration, proficiency in Microsoft office and good communication skills. The office work is Monday—Friday, 10 hours per week. Please send an expression of interest, or request copy of job description to:office@devonportcatholic.org.nz

#### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

#### 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



#### Marbles Holiday Art Programme 2 Delicious Weeks!

Marbles Studio - 2 Calliope Rd Devonport

Another two week holiday is fast approaching and we are bursting with excitement over our next holiday art programme. We have put together a collection of fabulous art projects that we are all buzzing about. Delicious chocolate factories, evil witches and wizards, fantastic foxes, amazing kites and of course a giant peach! brave and mischievous rabbits, detective cases, hobbit houses, country

scenes and creations from the



more information please email -Ruth@marblesstudio.co.nz NZ SECOND HAND MT EDEN WAR MEMORIAL HALL SATURDAY 30 JUNE SUNDAY 1ST JULY 9AM - 1PM **400 SKIS** GET READY FOR WINTER

"NZ SKI SALE "

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KIDSPRITE Holiday Programme: 5 – 8yrs and 9 – 13yr groups. Packed full of lots of action-packed, exciting activities; cooking-school, craft-day, quirky sports day, jet-boating, photography, Freaky Friday and much more! Email: kate@soulsprite.co.nz for the full programme. We are device-free!



## Come away to be refreshed, renewed & restored – Dove Retreat 27-29 July.

Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women National team is delighted to invite all women to a retreat weekend with special guest speakers Wilma Conroy and Anne Claessens.

Theme: "Harvest" Come and enjoy your personal harvest

**Venue:** Willow Park Christian Camp, Eastern Beach, Auckland

**To Register online (**or download a Registration Form) visit <u>www.dove.org.nz</u>.

For further information contact Shona Williams 07 543 0101 or email shonawilliams58@gmail.com

#### **BUILDING THE NEXT GENERATION OF #8 WIRE THINKERS**

Thinking outside the square, solving our own challenges, thinking creatively, working collaboratively, being innovative, taking risks - these are all things we want our kids to learn. And what's the best way for them to grow these skills? Being allowed to lead their own projects, follow their own curiosity, and develop a sense of wonder... in nature.

Do your kids get plenty of time playing freely in nature? If not, we are inviting them to play in nature these holidays (9 -20 July), so you can save your annual leave for real family holidays, while feeling secure in the knowledge that they are extending themselves, rather than being told what to do in yet another 'holiday' programme! Of course, playing in nature also builds immunity, as well as offering long-term physical and mental health benefits.

Conscious Kids has been running for three years in Auckland, and is starting this holidays in Hamilton. Our mission is to provide children with opportunities for free play in nature, within a framework of respect for themselves, others, and the environment. Check us out or book our programme at <u>www.consciouskids.co.nz</u>. We're growing the next generation of #8 wire thinkers - literally.

Conscious Kids hosts 100% nature-based Holiday Programme as an antidote for technology, kids get the opportunity to have unstructured play in the bush like we did. Come get muddy, climb a tree and just play!

WINTER HOLIDAYS / 9 - 20 JULY 9 AM - 4 PM 5 - 12 YEARS OLD

Visit for more information, bookings and locations: www.consciouskids.co.nz Call 027.5191997 or email info@consciouskis.co.n



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