



26 July 2018

Dear Parents,

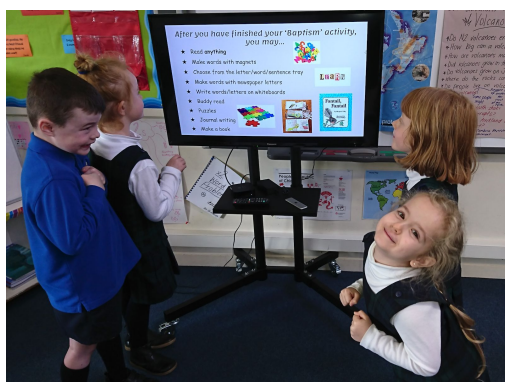
Welcome back to Term 3. I hope you all enjoyed the holiday period with your children. I know some families escaped the rain and cold for warmer climates. I spent the first week of the holidays in windy Wellington, studying with a group of leaders from around New Zealand. This will eventually lead to a post graduate certificate in Catholic leadership. It was a very interesting week. The second week allowed me a bit of family time with my children and grandchildren, as well as school work! We are all looking forward to another wonderful term at St Leo's.

### Welcome to our new pupils

We welcome Tomas Davies and Luis Warner to St Clare's class.

We also welcome 14 international students who will be with us for 2 to 6 weeks. They have settled in well and we are enjoying them being part of St Leo's.

### New Classroom TVs



Last term we were very fortunate to have had 4 new Panasonic 40" TV donated to the school. We would like to thank and acknowledge Doozie Ltd, and an associated brand of the Resident Builder, Peter Wolfkamp, for their support on achieving the donation of these TVs. We have purchased 4 new mobile stands and now each class and the library have their own TV which are being well used for our children's learning. Thank you to Tima who put most of the TV stands together. The children were very excited when they were delivered to the classes.

### ERO

In week 8 of this term, the Education Review Office (ERO) will be visiting our school. The purpose of the visit is to help bring about improved educational achievement for young New Zealanders and to provide information to schools, parents, communities and the government to assist decision making. More information about their visit will follow.

### Matariki Family night

Thank you to all the families who attended our first ever Matariki evening. It was a cold evening but we shared a lovely meal and entertainment by the children. A huge thanks must go to our wonderful caretaker, Tima, for preparing the meal for us. He was cooking all day so we could have a hot meal in the evening. Thank you also goes to Adrienne Williams and the teachers who organised and prepared the children.



## Keeping Ourselves Safe (KOS)

We are due to start the KOS programme in Week 7 this term. There will be a parent meeting with Constable Murray Fenton in the hall at 3.15 on Tuesday 28 August. This will give you an opportunity to ask him any questions you may have about the programme. You can access the programme by clicking the link below.

<http://www.police.govt.nz/advice/personal-and-community-advice/school-portal/resources/successful-relationships/keeping-1>

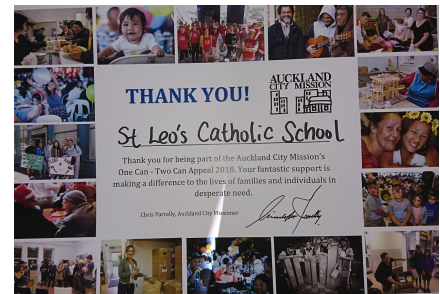
Please note that we do not teach the programme in its entirety, instead choosing what is relevant to our community.

## Kapa Haka

On Friday we will be having a special assembly and our new Kapa Haka tutor, Patrick Clarke, will introduce himself and sing some songs with the children. We will also introduce our new international students at this assembly. Family are welcome to join us on Friday at 9am.

## Auckland City Mission

We have received a beautiful certificate from the Auckland City Mission thanking us for our recent donation. Thank you to all the families who donated cans for the 'One can, Two can' appeal.



## Catholic Character

Next week we begin our scheduled class visits with Father Larry visiting St Clare's class. Over the term, he will be visiting each class.

The Masses for term 3 will be; (Please make a note in your diary)

- St Catherine and St Dominic - Friday 7 September at 12 noon.
- St Patrick, St Francis and St Clare - Friday 21 September.
- The family Mass will be on Sunday 16 September at 9am.
- We will also have a whole school Mass on Wednesday 15 August as it is the feast of the Assumption and is a Holy Day.

On Wednesday 1 August a group of students from St Mary's College will spend time in our classes and we are looking forward to having them here at school.

## Toys at school

Just a reminder to everyone that toys are not allowed at school. We have had some toys go missing recently which is the reason we have the rule of no toys at school. Please check that your children are not bringing them to school.

## Mathematics Survey

Next week, Mrs Lattimer will be putting out a parent survey on Survey Monkey. We will let you know when it goes online. If you could please fill it in, we would appreciate it, as it helps with our future planning to have community responses.

## 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.

## Mercy Values Certificates

At the end of last term Nicholas Moataane, Rosina Joseph and Molly Claxton all received service certificates; Christian Haggitt, an excellence and Samuel Law, a respect award. Well done to all these children who were recognised as going over and above when demonstrating our school values.

Kind wishes, Maureen Harris, Principal

## A few important reminders

- The classrooms are open from 8.30a.m. Please do not drop children off earlier than 8.15 as their safety cannot be guaranteed. Children are not permitted in the classrooms until 8.30 as the teachers need this time to prepare for the day. It is also best that teachers are not in the classroom alone with a student.
- No vehicles are permitted to enter school grounds during school hours. The best places to park are on Owens Road or Victoria Road. Please be aware that there is a clear way area either side of the driveway on Owens Road that is regularly policed by Auckland Transport.
- All children are to be collected promptly after school unless enrolled in an After School Care programme.
- **No children are to be in the staff car park at any time.** Parents please walk your children around the admin building to exit the school on to Victoria Road.
- Correct school uniform must be worn to and from school, including footwear.
- Bicycles and scooters are to be walked in and out of the grounds. Children riding bikes to school on a regular basis are encouraged to wear a safety vest. These can be obtained from the office.
- Pupil absences are to be phoned in by 9 a.m. Alternatively you can send in absences via the school app. Messages may be left on the answer phone. The Ministry of education requires us to recognise the reason for the absence so please be specific.
- **We would like to remind parents that we have some children who have severe life threatening food allergies. We ask families to assist us to protect these children by avoiding having nuts in school lunches. This includes whole nuts, products containing nuts, nutella and peanut butter. We appreciate this is an inconvenience but ask for your co-operation in this matter. We also ask parents not to bring cakes or sweets to school to share with the class on your child's birthday.**

## 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.

## Celebration Book

Congratulations to the following children:

Patrick Welson - Player of the day for football

Nicolas Busch - Player of the day for soccer

Higgins Perks - Player of the day for Rugby

Joseph Wolfkamp - awarded purple, white tip belt in Akido. Highest award you can get for his age.

Year 5/6 netball team won 25 - 2 in a recent game. All the team were Players of the day.

## Uniforms for Sale

3 x size 67 summer uniforms \$20 for the lot. Contact Kate Costello 022 5289 546

**Scholastic Books** - pamphlets will be sent home tomorrow. Please note these can only be ordered online.



**Friday 27th July - Sausage Sizzle**

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

**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 and are on sale from the office now. There will be face painting, lights products and treats on sale. Cash Bar for parents. Money can be paid directly into PTFA bank account 12-3015-0067576-00 ref name and disco. Please let us know you have done this so we can issue your tickets.

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

A night for the boys to enjoy a beer and a catch up. See below for details

**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. <https://www.facebook.com/stleosjubilee/>

**Dad's night out, Inn!**

Calling all St Leo's Dads (and their mates)! This year we've decided that the Dad's of St Leo's also deserve some appreciation, so we've arranged to hold a craft beer evening for Dads only, at the St Leo School Inn! Its all happening on Friday the 31st August. The people from The Beer Spot, will be popping in to talk about their delectable range of craft beers. It goes without saying that their beers will be available for purchase as well. For those who prefer wine, never fear, we have Mills Reef Winery coming along as well, to provide some great deals on a range of their reserve wines.

The event is kindly sponsored by Devonport Electrical who will be providing the ambience on the night. Please have a chat to them for all your electrical needs!

Tickets are \$30 a head and include a number of beer tasters (or glass of wine) plus food as well as the evening's entertainment. There will be some authentic, barbecued bratwurst, as well as fresh roast pork/lamb available.

This event is open to all Devonport Dad's (St Leo's and non St Leo's alike) so please invite your mates along and help make this evening a success.

Come lounge on our leather sofas, show off your darts skills, impress us with your table tennis prowess! Special prizes will also be auctioned on the night.

This event doesn't succeed without your participation, so lets bring "the Wolfpack" to St Leos!





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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 job description to: [office@devonportcatholic.org.nz](mailto:office@devonportcatholic.org.nz)



### We needed to bring our helmets

We learned the correct way to adjust our helmets to make sure they fit safely.



### We needed to bring our bikes

Here is one of our Travelwise leaders riding her bike. Some people brought scooters instead.

Term 2  
Friday 29 June

# Bike Safety Day

WITH CONSTABLE FENTON

## Important bike safety skills

You adjust your helmet so it fits safely by finding the v shape on your straps and putting them under your ears.

Bike checks involve making sure the brakes are suitable for the conditions. Constable Fenton squeezed the brake handles and pushed the bike forward. If it rolls instead of skidding the brakes are not very safe.

Emergency braking is done by applying the back brakes fully while using a bit of the front brakes. This will stop you from skidding.



This is the middle part of the safety course



Constable Fenton showing us how to navigate the safety course he set up on courts.

## This is how it went down

by Jack Copus and Edward Wescott

It was cold and had been raining the night before. There were many puddles that were fun to ride through. St Catherine's and St Patrick's started the session by parking our bikes by the yellow line. Then we were taught how to adjust our helmets correctly. We checked our bike's brakes. This was a bit boring and took some time, but we know it was for our own safety. Then we learned how to do emergency braking. We were ready to tackle the safety course. Constable Fenton had set this up to so we could be confident riding on roads. The course had road signs, zebra crossings, a roundabout and intersections. We did this course in groups of three. It was really fun and we knew we were getting better because we felt more confident by the time we did it the third time. We would like to thank Constable Fenton for teaching us all the cool things about bike safety to help us stay safe on the roads. He made it exciting and fun for us.

### Term 3 dates for your diary

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 BOT Meeting
Tuesday 14 August	Rippa Rugby Save Day Tennis coaching all classes for 2 weeks
Wednesday 15 August	Squash tournament (6chn Yr 5 & 6) Assumption Day Mass
Friday 17 August	Assembly
Monday 20 August	Year 4, 5 & 6 to Chelsea Sugar Works
Monday 27 August	Peninsula Speech Competition
Tuesday 28 August	Parent Meeting with Constable Murray Fenton re KOS
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 Buddy Mass - St Catherine & St Dominic 12.00
Friday 14 September	Assembly Sausage Sizzle lunch
Week 9	Arthritis Appeal Week
Tuesday 18 September	Cricket skills day
Thursday 20 September	Cricket skills save day
Friday 21 September	Market Day for children Buddy Mass - St Clare, St Francis, St Patrick 12.00
Wednesday 26 September	Devon 7's tournament
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.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

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15th of September, 2018, 10am - 12pm, Takapuna Primary School Hall.

Looking for sellers! Do you have any 0 -10 year clothing or toys that you are ready to move on?

This is the perfect opportunity to have a spring clean in winter!

Clear out the cupboards of things that are no longer being used. Make some extra \$\$ while supporting Plunket.

To book your table or donate any items to be sold at this event. Please contact. [Sarah.Gracie-Compain@plunket.org.nz](mailto:Sarah.Gracie-Compain@plunket.org.nz)

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### APPA Music Festival 3 Day Instrument Course

This is for accomplished instrument players in years 4 – 8 who wish to develop their musicianship skills in orchestral and band performance, and perform at the Auckland Town Hall as part of the wider APPA festival in November.

The students need parental commitment so they can attend the 3 Day Course at the venues below, in the last week of term 3; plus there will also be a few Saturday or Sunday rehearsals, lots of practice at home and one rehearsal in the Town Hall which they also need to get their child to. The venue for the practices is below:

#### **FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA:**

Rehearsals at Auckland Normal Intermediate

#### **JAZZ BAND:**

Rehearsals at Parnell School

#### **CONCERT BAND:**

To be advised

**Registrations close on Friday, 31 August 2018**

All the information can be found on the APPA website

<http://www.appa.org.nz/appa-music-festival>



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