

# St. Leo's Catholic School



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**20 September 2018**

Dear Parents,

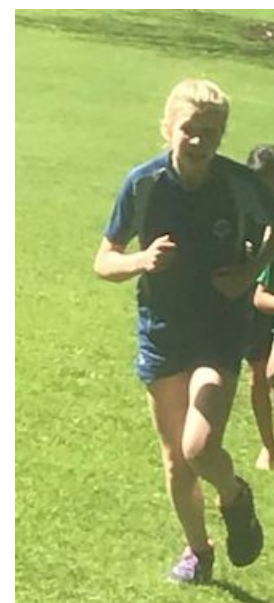
It's hard to believe another term is almost at an end. This will be the last newsletter for this term. My holiday break will be spent attending a 3 day first time Principal's hui and catching up with family, particularly my youngest son in Christchurch who is turning 30. I wish you all a very happy holiday break with your families.

## School Successes

Charlize Glanville represented St Leo's at the Auckland Catholic Schools Cross Country. She once again did us proud by coming in second - just pipped at the post for the win.



Caoimhe Costello represented St Leo's in the inaugural Auckland Catholic Schools gospel reading competition. She also did very well and we are proud of both the girls.



## Student Led Sharing of Learning

Don't forget to make a booking for the Student Led Sharing of Learning meetings. Remember that school will close at **1pm on Tuesday 25 September** to allow for the meetings to take place.

**[www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) and enter the event code a3fn** or click on this link  
**<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code?code=a3fn5>**

## School Photos

These will be taken on the first Wednesday back from the holiday on **17 October**. Even though there is a two week transition into summer uniforms next term, we would like all the children to be in their **summer uniform** for the photos. Please make a note of that. Sibling photo forms are available from the office and need to be in by Tuesday 16 October if you would like a sibling photo.

## School Fair

Please make sure you keep the list with items we need for the Fair in a prominent place so you remember what to bring each week. Tomorrow the children will need to bring a packet of mini-chocolates. The whanau leaders will be outside the Library in the morning to collect the chocolates and to reward the children with whanau points. They will then have a chance of winning free Rainbows End admission tickets. Items can be brought in at other times during the week too and points will still be allocated. There is one error in the flyer of items to bring - we will be having a mufti day for the cakes on the 10 November rather than the luxury item day the week before.

## **Jubilee Bookings**

It is important for school families to book in for the jubilee weekend. The children will need to be at school and they will be receiving a free lunch. All the children will be performing class items for the jubilee guests. Please log into [trybooking.co.nz/LN](http://trybooking.co.nz/LN) to register.

For the Jubilee, the committee is planning a 125th jubilee legacy which will be a stained glass window which will be installed in the foyer of the hall. Mrs Maggie Gundry has prepared a beautiful picture, a simple depiction of Mary cradling the baby Jesus. It will be a wonderful addition to our Parish hall. More information about the window will be in the next newsletter.

## **ERO visit**

We had a very successful ERO visit last week and the feedback we received was very positive. This is not surprising as St Leo's is a very special school and we have a dedicated staff who genuinely care for the children. The official report will be available early next term.

## **Catholic Character**

St Patrick, Francis and Clare will be celebrating their class buddy Mass on Friday.

Thank you to all the families who were at the family Mass on Sunday. It was lovely to have the choir lead the psalm and they sang beautifully.

We continue to acknowledge our students who have exemplified the Mercy values. At our last assembly a big group of our Year 6 students received Rato (service) awards for helping to set up and clean up after the Blokes Night Inn.

Kind wishes,  
Maureen Harris,  
Principal

## **Important Notices**

### **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.

### **2019 Dates**

#### Term 1

Thursday 31 January - Friday 12 April

**100 Half Days**

- Waitangi Day - Wednesday 6 February
- Teacher only day with Kahui Ako (cluster schools) - Monday 4 February

#### Term 2

Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July

**98 Half Days**

- Queen's Birthday - Monday 3 June

#### Term 3

Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September

**100 Half Days**

#### Term 4

Monday 14 October - Thursday 20 December

**92 Half Days**

- Labour Day - Monday 28 October

## **Lost Property**

Could you please check to see that your child has the correct uniform. There are several uniform items missing.

We have found a small gold ring. If you have lost it please see Renee.

## **Fundraisers**

Thank you to those who donated to the Paralympic Fundraiser. \$125 was raised towards helping the team get to the 2020 Paralympics.

Tomorrow (Friday 21st) is fundraising day for the Arthritis Foundation. We would appreciate if each child could bring a gold coin donation in exchange for a gerbera for this worthwhile cause that afflicts many of our school community. **THIS IS NOT A MUFTI DAY.**

## **Yummy Stickers**

Thank you to those families who are collecting yummy stickers. **TOMORROW IS THE LAST DAY TO RETURN THESE.**

## **Sports uniforms**

Please return all netball uniforms and Rippa Rugby jackets to the office washed and dried, before the end of the term.

## **Sushi Orders Term 4**

For those who do term orders for sushi next term is a 9 week term.

## **Celebration Book**

Congratulations to the following children:

Abigail Goosen has been chosen to perform with the Imperial Russian Ballet at Bruce Mason Theatre in November and got distinction in her Contemporary dance exam, achieving a mark of over 95%

Charlize Glanville came 2nd in the Catholic Schools Cross Country

Edward Wescott - most improved player for his soccer team

Caoimhe Costello - represented St Leo's in the Gospel Reading Competition

## **Dates for your diary**

Friday 21 September	Buddy Mass - St Clare, St Francis, St Patrick 12.00pm Yummy sticker charts due back to school
Tuesday 25 September	Student Led Conferences - school closes 1pm
Wednesday 26 September	Devon 7's tournament
Friday 28 September	Assembly Term 3 ends at the usual time

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

## PTFA News

### School Fair and 125th Jubilee Celebrations

This year's school fair will be on Saturday 10th November and there will be a 125th Jubilee celebration on Sunday 11th November.

Planning is well underway for our St Leo's School Village Fair on Saturday, **10<sup>th</sup> November 2018**.

We are very lucky to have **Barfoot & Thompson** sponsor our fair so generously again this year but need **all of our families** to make another successful fair happen! Ways you can help:

- **Sign up to get involved** on the day. The Fair Tree will go up in the office next week. Please sign up for one of the slots still vacant.
- **Provide help in the week leading up to the fair.** This is the week commencing 5/11/2018.
- **Sell raffle tickets**
- The holidays are a great time to clean out some unwanted items and put them aside for our fair. In particular, we are looking for

**Pre-loved Clothing** – good quality, 2<sup>nd</sup> hand clothes and accessories. Men, Women and Children/Babies

**Pre-loved Toys:** good quality and clean 2<sup>nd</sup> hand toys and games (only complete puzzles and games please)

**Books** – good quality pre-loved books. Children and Adult.

**Other items suitable for Jolly Jars** (collectibles, arts and craft, smaller toys)

- **Ask your friends and neighbours** to start putting aside the above for our fair!

**NO white elephant and NO plate smashing this year!!**

All questions/offers of help relating to our fair can be addressed to Frauke Sharplin (mum of Lily and Ivy in St Dominic's) or email: [stleosptfa@gmail.com](mailto:stleosptfa@gmail.com)

### **A big thank you to our sponsors and donees:**

**Barfoot and Thompson -**

**Carol Wetzell, Cathy Fiebig, Ian Cunliffe, Kim Byrnes, Tracey Lawrence**

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**Growth Amplifier - Phil Claxton**

**Gavin Busch & NZ Financial Planning - Gavin Busch**

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**Takapuna Orthodontic Group - David Wescott**

**Silverdale Adventure Park**

**Countdown**

**Gilmours**

**Farro**

**Clooney's Restaurant**

**Brick Bay Wines and Sculpture Trail**

**Peter Wolfkamp Resident Builder**

**Homestyle Depot**

**Kitchen Aid New Zealand**

**Shut the Front Door**

**The Village Kitchen**  
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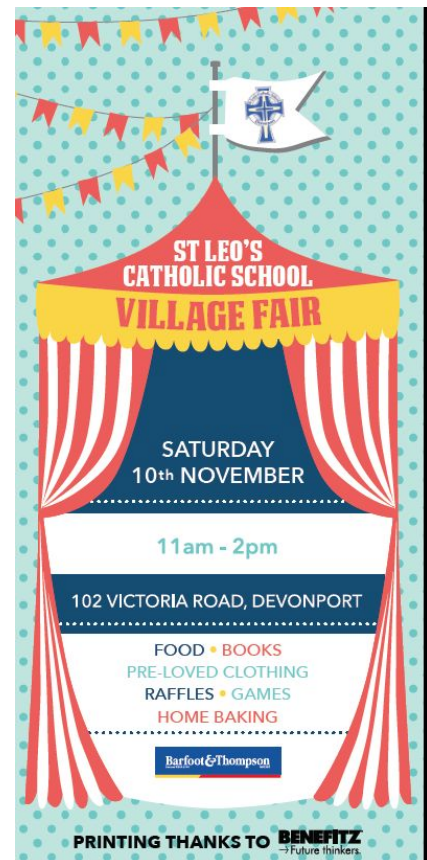
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**AN EVENING WITH NIGEL LATTA**  
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**ADVENTURES IN PARENTLAND**  
Date: Wednesday October 17th 2018  
Time: 7.30pm-9.30pm  
Where: Westlake Boys High School, Forrest Hill, Auckland  
Tickets: \$25 - [www.kenziesgift.com](http://www.kenziesgift.com)



**AUT**

**OCTOBER 1 - 12  
HOLIDAY PROGRAMME  
2018**

**What will your kids do these school holidays?**

AUT Sport + Fitness Centre's school holiday programme has an awesome mix of activities to keep your kids active, inspired, and engaged all day long.

We cater for children 5-12 years. Register early as space is limited.

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### VOICE DRAMA HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

My name is Mary Laurence and I'm a local primary teacher. I will be running a very exciting holiday programme suitable for all primary ages on Thursday 4th and Friday 5th October. The children will take part in lots of FUN hall games, energizers, circle time, working in teams, craft & keep, confidence building & good times! Over the 2 days the kids will put together plays based on their own ideas. The performances will take place for you at 3.00pm on the Friday. Please book now to reserve places! For more info & bookings please contact [voicedrama1@gmail.com](mailto:voicedrama1@gmail.com)

### School Holiday Activity at the Navy Museum Action Stations Game On! Design your own board game

**When:** 1-5 & 8-12 October  
**Sessions:** 10.30am, 11.30am & 1.30pm  
**Duration:** approximately 40 minutes  
**Age:** 3+ activity is not suitable for children under 3 years

**Special session:** children aged 8+ \$8 per child 10.30am & 1.30pm Wednesday 10 October

This holiday design your own board game and learn how to play Uckers – a traditional Navy board game, based on Ludo. Adults must remain with children in the session. Children aged 3-5 will need parental assistance. Some walk up places maybe available but pre-booking is recommended.  
**For full details visit:** [www.navy.museum.co.nz](http://www.navy.museum.co.nz)  
**To book email:** [info@navymuseum.co.nz](mailto:info@navymuseum.co.nz) or phone: 09 445 5186

### Fun Palace at the Navy Museum

**Fun, free activities for the whole family.**  
**When:** Saturday 6 October 10am – 3pm  
As part of Auckland Heritage Festival the Navy Museum is hosting its first Fun Palace. There will be a range of fun activities at different times throughout the day where members of the community will share activities they enjoy doing. Activities will include: craft, sketching, Te Reo Māori, Mandarin, French, knitting, crochet, playing bass guitar, learning about traditional Māori instruments, make a bag from a T Shirt etc. Each activity will have a recommended age and children will need to be supervised by a parent at all times. For more information visit: [www.navy.museum.co.nz](http://www.navy.museum.co.nz)



**Marbles Holiday Art Programme**  
2 Weeks of Creativity & Fun!

**Week 1 (1st-5th October)**  
The Amazing Worlds of Enid Blyton - Magic Faraway Tree

**Week 2 (8th-12th October)**  
Lets Go To The movies!

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. Magic faraway trees, enchanted lands of goodies, dreams, ice and snow! Internet cities, aliens from space, yeti's from the Id, scary halloween and of course the delightful Winnie the Pooh. With so much creativity in our projects we cant wait to get started with you.

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We believe in making a difference in people's

lives and are passionate about making New Zealand one of the healthiest and best-protected nations in the world. The competition is open to all New Zealand residents, one entry per person.

**Plus:** If you are an AIA or Sovereign Personal Risk and Health policy holder you could get an extra shot at scoring a place at the junior skills session with a bonus entry into the prize draw.

So kids, start practising your dribbling, heading and shooting! Adult winners accompanying the kids, get ready to kick back and enjoy watching the action, or do a bit of celebrity spotting!

**Each prize includes:** Two tickets to an exclusive junior soccer skills session on 2nd November 2018

Two return economy flight tickets from New Zealand to Sydney

Two nights accommodation in Sydney and return airport transfers

Promotion starts 10th September 2018 and ends 30th September 2018. Travel period is from Thursday 1st November to Saturday 3rd November 2018. Both entrants must be New Zealand residents with valid passports and visas. The child named in the entry must be between 8 and 13 years old; the adult entrant must be 18 or older. <https://www.aia.co.nz/en/xbeckham/fag.html>

### **TGS CRICKET - FUNDRAISER WITH NZ CRICKET STARS, FRIDAY 28 SEPTEMBER**

Come along to Te Poho (TGS School Hall) on Friday 28 September for an evening with the stars of New Zealand Cricket. Doors open 6.00pm and the Black Caps/White Ferns Q&A begins at 7.00pm. Cash bar and finger food.

[Please click here](#) for further information and [click here](#) to buy tickets or email [mtlunny@gmail.com](mailto:mtlunny@gmail.com).

### **Education Conversations | Kōrero Mātauranga for ethnic communities**

Hon. Jenny Salesa, Minister of Ethnic Communities, and Associate Minister for Education, Health and Housing and Urban Development, invites you to participate in these national conversations about building not just a better education system, but the world's best.

We invite you to contribute your ideas and opinions about how we can build a better education system in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Tuesday 25 September 2018, 6.00pm – 8.00pm, Glenfield Primary School, 101 Chivalry Road, Glenfield

For catering purposes please RSVP (acceptances only) by **5pm, Thursday 20th September** by email to [AiLin.Chiong@education.govt.nz](mailto:AiLin.Chiong@education.govt.nz)

**Refreshments** provided. Please let us know when you RSVP if you require an **interpreter**.

*The consultations have been organised with the support of the Ministry of Education and the Office of Ethnic Communities*

### **Companion Training Workshop**

*Seasons for Growth* is a peer support program which assists people of all ages to understand and manage the changes they experience when a significant loss occurs. We are looking for volunteer Companions (adult facilitators) who would be willing to assist in the delivery of this program in schools and the community.

A 2-day Companion Workshop will be held on **Monday 5th and Tuesday, 6th November, 2018** at St Columba Centre, 40 Vermont Street, Ponsonby 10.00 ~ 4.00pm (morning tea will be provided)

**REGISTRATION IS ESSENTIAL** by Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> October

To register or find out more about this program, contact: Delia 09-360 3027, or [deliar@cda.org.nz](mailto:deliar@cda.org.nz)  
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